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Abbreviations

802.11	IEEE 802.11 is a set of standards for implementing wireless local area network (WLAN) computer communication in the 2.4, 3.6 and 5 GHz frequency bands.
AABB	AABB, formerly known as the American Association of Blood Banks
AACCN	American Academy of Critical Care Nurses
AAD	American Association of Dermatology
AADGP	American Academy of Dental Group Practice
AAFP	American Academy of Family Physicians
AAIN	American Academy of Industrial Nurses
AAMI	Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation
AAN	American Academy of Nursing
AAO	American Academy of Ophthalmology
AAO	American Academy of Optometry
AAOS	American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics
ABEM	American Boarded in Emergency Medicine
ABIM	American Board of Internal Medicine
ABMS	American Boarded in Medical Specialties
ACCE	American College of Clinical Engineering
ACOs	Accountable Care Organization
ACCP	American College of Chest Physicians
ACEP	American College of Emergency Physicians
ACGME	Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education
ACOG	American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology
ACO	Accountable Care Organization
ACP	Advanced Care Paramedic (Canada)
ACR	American College of Radiologists
ACR	American College of Rheumatology
ACS	American Cancer Society
ACP	American College of Physicians
ACS	American College of Surgeons
ADA	American Dental Association
ADA	American Diabetes Association
A & E	Accident and emergency

AGD	Academy of General Dentistry
AHA	American Heart Association
AMA	American Medical Association
AMSA	American Medical Student Association
ANNA	American Nephrology Nurses' Association
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
APA	American Psychiatric Association
ARA	American Rheumatological Association
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
ARRT	American Registry of Radiologic Technologists
ASCP	American Society for Clinical Pathology
ASCP	American Society of Consultant Pharmacists
ASHA	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
ASL	American sign language
ASMSO	American Society of Medication Safety Officers
ASPS	American Society of Plastic Surgeons
ASRT	American Society of Radiologic Technologists
ASSH	American Society for Surgery of the Hand
BMET	Biomedical Equipment Technician
BIPA	Benefits Improvement and Protection Act
BWICU	Burn wound intensive-care unit
CAD	Coronary Artery Disease
CAMTS	Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems
CASH	Combat Army Surgical Hospital
CAP	College of American Pathologists
CASLPO	College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario
CBET	Certified Biomedical Equipment Technician
CCE	Certified Clinical Engineer
CCU	Coronary care unit
CCOHS	Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CE	Clinical Engineer or Clinical Engineering
CLES	Certified Laboratory Equipment Specialist
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments
CMN	Certificate of Medical Necessity
CMR	Comprehensive Medical Review

CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
CMS-1500	Health Insurance Claim Form
CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder
CPhT	Certified Pharmacy Technician
CPM	Certified Professional Midwife
CRES	Certified Radiology Equipment Specialist
CRN	Certified Radiology Nurse
CRNA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
CRT	Certified Respiratory Therapists - Respiratory therapy
CRTT	Certified Respiratory Therapy Technicians - Respiratory therapy
CS	1) Central Sterile, or 2) Central Supply
CSICU	Cardiac Surgery intensive-care unit
CT	Computed Tomography
CTRS	Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist - Recreation Therapy or Therapeutic Recreation
CVICU	Cardiovascular intensive-care unit
DDS	Doctor of Dental Surgery
DI	Diagnostic Imaging
DICOM	Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine
DMD	Doctor of Dental Medicine
DME MAC	Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractor
DMECS	Durable Medical Equipment Coding System
DMEPOS	Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies
DMERC	Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier
DNV	Det Norske Veritas
DO	Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
DOB	Date of Birth
DOD	1) Date of Death, or 2) Date of Discharge, or 3) Department of Defense
DPM	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
ED	Emergency Department
EHR	Electronic Health Record
eMDR	Electronic Medical Device Reporting
EMR	Electronic Medical Record
EMS	Emergency medical services
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician
ENT	Ear, Nose, and Throat
ePHI	Electronic Protected Health Information

ER	Emergency Room
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FFS	Fee-for-Service
GICU	Geriatric intensive-care unit
GP	General practitioner
GYN	Gynecology
HCAHPS	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
HDU	High Dependency Unit
HHA	Home Health Agency
HHS	Health & Human Services
HICN	Health Insurance Claim Number
HIE	Health Information Exchange
HIMSS	Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society
HIS	Hospital Information System
HIT	Healthcare Information Technology
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HME	Home Medical Equipment
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HTA	Healthcare Technology Assessment
IACS	Individuals Authorized Access to CMS Computer Services
ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification
ICC	International Certification Commission
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
IDPN	Intradialytic Parenteral Nutrition
IDTF	Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IM	Information Management
IPPB	Intermittent Positive Pressure Breathing
IRP	Inexpensive or other Routinely Purchased DME
IS	Information Services
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IT	Information Technology
ITU	1) Intensive Therapy Unit, or 2) Intensive Treatment Unit
IV	Intravenous
IVF	In Vitro Fertilization
JAMA	Journal of the American Medical Association
JCAHO (see TJC)	Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations

JC (see TJC)	Joint Commission, previously JCAHO
KAFO	Knee, Ankle, Fott Orthosis
LAN	Local Area Network
LGHP	Large Group Health Plan
LOS	Length of Stay
LPN	Licensed Practical Nurse
LSA	Licensed Surgical Assistant
LVN	Licensed Vocational Nurse
MAC	Medicare Administrative Contractor
MAC address	Media Access Control address
MAE	Mobility Assistive Equipment
MASH	Mobile Army Surgical Hospital
MCPSS	Medicare Contractor Provider Satisfaction Survey
MEDPARD	Medicare Participating Suppliers Directory
MedPAC	Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MD	Medical doctor
MICU	1) Medical intensive-care unit, or 2) Mobile Intensive Care Unit
MLA	Medical laboratory assistant
MLN	Medicare Learning Network
MMA	Medicare Modernization Act of 1999
MR	Medical Review
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MT	Medical technologist
MLT	Medical Laboratory Technician
MM	Materials Management
MSICU	Medical Surgical intensive-care unit
MSN	Medicare Summary Notice
MSP	Medicare Secondary Payer
NEJM	New England Journal of Medicine
NAACLS	National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science
NCA	National Credentialing Agency for Laboratory Personnel
NCPDP	National Council for Prescription Drug Program
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NHC	Nephrology Hypertension Clinic, P.C
NHS	National Health Service
NICE	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence

NICU	1) Neonatal intensive-care unit, or 2) Neurotrauma intensive-care unit, or 3) Neurointensive-care unit
NOC	Not Otherwise Classified
NPO	Nothing by mouth (latin - nil per os)
OB	Obstetrics
OD	Doctor of Optometry (Optometrist)
OIC	Overnight intensive recovery
OMHA	Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals
OR	Operating Room
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OT	Occupational Therapy
PA	Physician Assistant or Pathologist Assistant
PACS	Picture Archiving and Communication System
PACU	Post Anaesthesia Care Unit
PB	Phlebotomist
PEN	Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition
PET-CT	Positron Emission Tomography - Computed Tomography
Pharm.D	Doctor of Pharmacy
PHI	Protected Health Information
PICU	1) Pediatric intensive-care unit, or 2) Psychiatric intensive-care unit
PM	Preventive Maintenance
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
PR	Patient Responsibility
PT	Physical Therapy
RAD	Respiratory Assistive Device
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
RHHI	Regional Home Health Intermediary
RICU	Respiratory intensive-care unit
RIS	Radiology Information System
RN	Registered Nurse
RO	1) Reverse Osmosis, or 2) Regional Office, CMS
R.Ph	Registered Pharmacist
RPN	Registered Practical Nurse - See Licensed Practical Nurse
RPN	Registered Psychiatric Nurse
RRT	Registered Respiratory Therapist - Respiratory therapy
RSN	Renal Support Network
RSNA	Radiological Society of North America
RT	1) Respiratory Therapy, or 2) Radiologic Technologist

RT	Respiratory Therapist - Respiratory therapy
SCD	Sequential Compression Device
SCN	Special Care Nursery
SICU	Surgical intensive-care unit
SMDA	Safe Medical Devices Act
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
STCIU	Surgical Trauma intensive-care unit
TICU	Trauma Intensive care Unit
TJC	The Joint Commission (formerly JCAHO)
TNCC	Trauma-Neuro Critical Care
USMLE	United States Medical Licensing Examination
VA	Veterans Administration - United States Department of Veterans Affairs
VLAN	Virtual Local Area Network
VPN	Virtual Private Network
WAN	Wide Area Network
WHO	World Health Organization
Wi-Fi	Wireless Fidelity