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Who is the AMA Really Working For?

The American Medical Association (or AMA) has “built a toll booth on the practice of medicine,” says The Rojas Report. After Medicare passed, the AMA created a standardized coding system, called CPT codes, and successfully lobbied Congress to require it for medical billing. The five-digit CPT codes, which are attached to every medical procedure, visit and service, are owned by the AMA, which charges royalties for access.

Hospitals, electronic health record systems, billing software, clinics, doctors, and medical coding textbooks all pay the AMA for codes. **Today \$301 million -- 55% of the AMA's revenue -- comes from CPT code royalties.** So the question is: who and what is the AMA working for?

“55% of AMA Revenue Comes From Codes You're Forced to Use,”

Dutch Rojas, The Rojas Report, January 20, 2026:

<https://dutchrojas.substack.com/p/55-of-ama-revenue-comes-from-codes>

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