

What Everyone Should Know About ICD-10

What is ICD-10?

The International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD-10) coding structure will be implemented on October 1, 2015 and will have a substantial impact on the entire health care industry. The ICD-10-CM/PCS (Clinical Modification/Procedure Coding System) is the standard medical code set for diagnoses (CM) & inpatient procedure codes (PCS) used in the United States. On January 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) released the final rule mandating that everyone covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) implement ICD-10 for medical coding.

On April 1, 2014, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA) (Pub. L. No. 113-93) was enacted, which said that the Secretary may not adopt ICD-10 prior to October 1, 2015. Accordingly, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services expects to release an interim final rule in the near future that will include a new compliance date that would require the use of ICD-10 beginning October 1, 2015. The rule will also require HIPAA covered entities to continue to use ICD-9-CM through September 30, 2015.

How does ICD-10 impact you?

You should learn about ICD-10 structure, organization and features to prepare for this significant coding change. Identify all places that you currently use ICD-9 to understand the impact of the transition on your business practices. Communicate with your payers, vendors, and other trading partners about their ICD-10 plans rather than waiting on them to contact you. Claims submitted with ICD-9 codes for dates of service on and after October 1, 2015 will be rejected. **Start ICD-10 Planning Now!**

MDCH General Strategy

MDCH will be taking a “remediation” approach which means that we will modify all systems and processes to accommodate ICD-10. MDCH will accept and process ICD-10 codes as submitted and a crosswalk will not be used. To help ensure communication to providers and other stakeholders, MDCH is collaborating with BCBSM and provider associations for outreach activities. A variety of avenues are being developed to provide ongoing communication and outreach.

MDCH will be treating ICD-10 as a massive annual code update by:

- End dating ICD-9 codes effective September 30, 2015
- Adding ICD-10 codes with effective date October 1, 2015
- Using date of service to determine which code is active

Where can I learn more about ICD-10?

- ✓ The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - <http://www.cms.gov//ICD10>
- ✓ ICD-10 Compliance Information @ CMS Webpage: [ICD-10 Statute and Regulations](#)
- ✓ Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) - <http://Michigan.gov/5010icd10>
- ✓ Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI)- <http://WEDI.org>
- ✓ American Information Management Association- <http://AHIMA.org/icd10>
- ✓ Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan- <http://BCBSM.com/icd10>

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