

ICD-10 Update

September 29, 2015 - The time has come to transition to the ICD-10 code set. To ensure a smooth transition, we want to remind customers of a few important considerations.

Abstracting (ABS)

1) Grouper Version 33 is now available for download on our website. This file must be loaded **prior** to October 1, 2015. Visit the [ICD-10 Resource Center](#), or the [Regulatory page](#), for platform-specific download instructions. The process for going LIVE on October 1 will be the same as prior years when implementing a new grouper version. The only difference is you will now see ICD-10 Diagnosis & Procedure codes instead of ICD-9 codes.

2) If coder resources allow, consider continuing to dual code accounts through the claims reimbursement process to ensure your payers are accepting ICD-10 codes.

3) If you haven't moved your Phase 2 for Proactive Delivery code changes to LIVE, please contact your ABS specialist immediately to schedule these changes. Also, if Phase 2 changes are LIVE at your facility, but you have not yet turned on Dual Coding, contact your ABS specialist to do so by October 1.

4) How are you managing your RCR accounts with dual coding? Platform-specific Best Practice documents ([Client/Server](#) or [MAGIC](#)) provide three different solutions for processing Recurring patient accounts with revisits for an extended period that cross over the ICD-10 LIVE date. Review to learn how to process these accounts with minimal impact for users and workflow.

Billing/Accounts Receivable & Claims (B/AR & CL)

5) Confirm Custom Claim Check tasks have been moved LIVE prior to October 1 to ensure your custom checks continue to work.

6) Ensure the new TOB claim checks are added to your claims to flag accounts that cross the September 30 and October 1 dates if ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes need to be sent on two claims. Please review our Claims Best Practice ([Client/Server](#) or [MAGIC](#)) for a complete guide.

Management Information Systems (MIS)

7) Don't forget Medical Necessity! If you also use MEDITECH for your Medical Necessity checking and load any type of OV Medical Necessity Requirements file, check the new ICD-10 file to see if an effective date of 10012015 (in this format) is listed — prior to importing into your LIVE system. If not, use the copy/replace feature, within any text editor to change the effective date to state 10012015 (in this format).

Questions

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