

ONLY 83 DAYS LEFT!!

CMS has confirmed

ICD-10 Transition Date: October 1, 2015

CMS will not extend this deadline!

After date of service September 30, 2015, **only** ICD-10 Diagnosis Codes will be accepted! Preferred IPA is required to accept only ICD-10 diagnosis codes as of October 1, 2015.

ICD-10 Quick Start Guide

The full guide can be accessed here:

<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/Downloads/ICD10QuickStartGuide20150622.pdf>

1. Make a plan
 - a. Assign target dates for completing steps outlined here
 - b. Decide roles each staff member will play in your transition.
2. Train your staff
 - a. Train your staff using free resources from CMS (<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/index.html?redirect=/ICD10>) and AMA (<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/ama-wire/post/8-must-icd-10-resources>)
 - b. Code current cases in ICD-10 and flag cases where more documentation is needed.
 - c. Look at common codes for your specialty: <http://www.roadto10.org/> (look under Specialty References)
3. Update your processes
 - a. Resolve documentation issues while coding top diagnoses in ICD-10
 - b. Make sure documentation captures new coding concepts like left vs. right
4. Talk to your vendors and health plans
 - a. Confirm that third party billing services, health plans, and clearinghouses you work with are ICD-10 ready (Preferred IPA and Office Ally are ready!)
5. Test your systems and processes
 - a. Verify that you can use your ICD-10 ready system to generate a claim, submit encounter data, etc
 - b. Explore alternate ways to submit claims if your systems may not be ready by Oct. 1st.

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