

## ICD-10 Implementation Reminder!

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Dear Providers and Office Staff:

### Congressional Status

- In February 2015, the House of Representatives' Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the transition to ICD-10.
- The subcommittee supported keeping October 1, 2015 as the official deadline for ICD-10 implementation and the matter is now on the floor.
- Some are hoping that there will be a third delay of the ICD-10 implementation deadline, but currently there is no delay, therefore all impacted parties are moving forward with the scheduled October 1, 2015 implementation.

### Care1st/ONECare ICD-10 Activity

- We are actively testing claims containing ICD-10 codes with select providers rendering a broad spectrum of services
- To-date test results for ICD-10 claims processing and remit generation have been successful
- We have completed testing with several hospitals, facilities, and providers and we continue to test with others
- AHCCCS health plan required test claim scenarios are scheduled to be completed by the health plans between July and September
- CMS optional health plan testing will be available between July and October
- CMS is actively testing with providers

### Implementation Deadline

ICD-10 replaces the current ICD-9 coding for the classification of disease or health condition, symptoms, and causes, used by hospitals, providers, and others, and is required to be implemented for *outpatient dates of service on or after October 1, 2015 and inpatient dates of discharge on or after October 1, 2015.*

### **Claim Submissions**

- Claims for dates of service or dates of discharge on or before September 30, 2015 are submitted with ICD-9 codes
- Claims for dates of service or dates of discharge on or after October 1, 2015 are submitted with ICD-10 codes

### **Prior Auth Submissions**

- Authorization requests for dates of service on or before September 30, 2015 are submitted with ICD-9 codes.
- Authorization requests for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015 are submitted with ICD-10 codes.

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**Provider Information**

- Be prepared for the implementation deadline of October 1, 2015.
- Provider resources are available from CMS to help with the transition of ICD-9 to ICD-10. The CMS links is <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/ProviderResources.html>.
- Other resources are available from many provider groups and vendors.
- ICD-10 is used for:
  - Diagnosis codes (ICD-10-CM) for all providers
  - Inpatient hospital procedures (ICD-10-PCS)
- Provider documentation:
  - Codes must be supported by medical documentation and because ICD-10 codes are more specific, more documentation may be necessary
  - Revenues may be impacted by specificity

Please pass this information on to your coding and billing departments.

***Thank you!***

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