

DPH ICD-10 Implementation Project Progress Report for NCALHD Informatics Committee

As of July 14, 2014

1. CMS has announced that an interim rule will be sent out for comment in the near future wherein the new compliance date will be October 1, 2015 but the rule has still not been published. A joint letter from the House and Senate was sent to CMS that requires routine reporting to Congress in relation to healthcare industry readiness. The letter is posted at <http://publichealth.nc.gov/lhd/icd10/docs/communications/LetterToCMSfromCongressRegarding-ICD-10-Preparedness-060414.pdf>
2. Registration information for limited ICD-10-CM coding training that will take place in September 2014 has been sent to the ICD-10 contacts. This training will be held so agencies will have trained staff to assist in implementation activities and clinical documentation improvement. More extensive course offerings will be conducted May – September 2015. Training sessions are noted below.
 - Basic: 9/3 (8am-noon); 9/3 (1-5pm); 9/15 (1-5pm)
 - Primary Care, Women’s Health, Chronic Dz, BCCCP: 9/18 (12:30-4:30pm)
 - Maternal Health: 9/18 (8:30-11:30am); 9/22 (12:30-3:30pm)
 - Behavioral Health: 9/22 (9-11am)
 - STD, HIV, Communicable Dz: 9/23 (8:30-10:30am)
 - Child Health, Health Check: 9/23 (2-5pm)
 - Family Planning: 9/23 (11am-1pm)
3. Medicaid is working on their testing strategy and end-to-end testing that includes LHDs and CDSAs is certainly being advocated. Once decisions on testing are made, it will be essential that test cases be developed that test a majority of the services provided. Begin compiling the types of cases your agency wants to see included in the testing. For example, agencies could maintain copies of encounter forms that represent the top 5 diagnoses seen in each program and code the encounter forms using ICD-10-CM so these can be used for testing. Also, identify the business processes that need to be included in end-to-end testing such as appointment scheduling, referral, pre-certification, check-in, EHR/Medical documentation, coding, billing, etc.
 - a. DPH has requested 10 trading partner slots so that testing can be done with HIS for both LHDs and CDSAs and then each non-HIS vendor system can test (e.g., Insight, Patagonia, Allscripts, etc). DPH will continue to advocate to retain the 10 slots.
 - b. The DPH ICD-10 Implementation Team recommends the following process for selection of the slots: Summary information related to an agency’s requirements to be ready for end-to-end testing will be developed. From that, an ‘application’ will be developed for interested agencies to complete to ascertain that the agency will be prepared for testing. The final determination for testing agencies will be determined by ? (*Informatics Committee discussion*)
4. Project documents (i.e., Project Plan, Project Schedule, Implementation Plan, Training Plan) have been updated based on the anticipated 10/1/15 compliance date and the updates are posted on the DPH website.
5. Project Manager will continue to participate in NCTracks ICD-10 meetings and DHHS ICD-10 Steering Committee meetings.
6. The DPH ICD-10 Project Manager will be retiring in November 2014 and her responsibilities will be transitioned. A transition plan is in development.