



## **ICD-10, Are you ready to submit your claims on October 1, 2015?**

Any claims with dates of service October 1, 2015 and after must contain ICD-10 diagnosis and/or procedure codes, rather than ICD-9 codes. It is very important that you have contacted your vendor to ensure that your software can include these codes in your electronic claims. Additionally, services performed October 1, 2015 and after cannot be submitted on the same claim as services performed on or prior to September 30, 2015. These services must be split onto separate claims so the appropriate diagnosis coding method can be used. These rules also apply to claims submitted manually to EBMS.

Please note, EBMS will not be converting ICD-9 codes to ICD-10 codes (or vice versa). For assistance with the cross walk between the current ICD-9 codes and the new ICD-10 codes, EBMS encourages you to review resources made available through CMS and Medicare administrators, AAPC and the Medical Billing Association. Two helpful resources to complete this task include: [\*\*ICD-10 Code Translator\*\*](#), found on the AAPC web site, and [\*\*GEMS system\*\*](#), found on the CMS or Medical Billing Associations websites.

CMS and Medicare administrators are also offering webinars to assist with preparation for ICD-10 and have made available educational resources under their [\*\*eHealth University\*\*](#) for ICD-10 including some of the following:

- [\*\*A YouTube video regarding ICD-10 Coding Basics\*\*](#)
- A basic [\*\*Introduction to ICD-10\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Introduction to ICD-10 for providers\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Basics for small and rural practices\*\*](#)
- Transition checklists for [\*\*large practices\*\*](#) and [\*\*small or medium practices\*\*](#)
- **\*\*07/06/2015 - [\*\*CMS Press Release\*\*](#)**
- **\*\*07/06/2015 - [\*\*ICD-10 Clarification Q&A\*\*](#)**
- **\*\*07/06/2015 - [\*\*Guidance from CMS\*\*](#)**
- Sign up for [\*\*CMS ICD-10 Industry Email Updates\*\*](#) or follow CMS on [\*\*Twitter\*\*](#).

If you have any questions, please contact our Provider Services Team at: 1-406-869-5555 (select option within IVR system).

Thank you,  
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