



Practice Makes Perfect



Presentation to: **Providers, Trading Partners & Billing Firms**

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We will provide Georgians with access to affordable, quality health care through effective planning, purchasing and oversight.

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Topics for Discussion

- ICD-10 Facts
- ICD-9 and ICD-10 Key Differences
- Specified vs. Unspecified
- Practice Makes Perfect
- DCH Updates
- Resources
- Questions and Comments



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ICD-10 Facts

Mark Your Calendars

October 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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ICD-10 Facts

- **ICD-9 is outdated**
 - Limited capacity, capability, can't serve future needs
 - ICD-9 is 30 years old, has outdated terms, and is inconsistent with current medical practice.
- **Moving from ICD-9 to ICD-10**
 - U.S. is last industrialized nation to adopt ICD-10.
- **Transitioning to ICD-10**
 - National impact, mandatory for all HIPAA-covered entities
 - If you use ICD-9 codes TODAY, you must migrate to ICD-10 codes.
- **Facts about the change**
 - New ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS code sets
 - Replaces ICD-9-CM (Volumes 1, 2 and 3)
 - ICD-10 has no direct affect on Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS).



ICD-10 Facts

- ICD-10 has more than nine times the codes in ICD-9.
 - Increasing from 13,000 to approximately 68,000 ICD-10-CM codes
 - Increasing from 3,000 to approximately 87,000 ICD-10-PCS codes
- For dates of services rendered on or after October 1, 2015.
 - All claims must use ICD-10 codes.
 - Any claims using ICD-9 codes will NOT be accepted.





ICD-9 and ICD-10

Key Differences

Hospital Procedure Codes

ICD-9-procedure codes

3-4 characters in length

Approximately 3,000 codes

Based on outdated technology

Limited space for adding new codes

Lacks detail

Lacks laterality

Generic terms for body parts

Lacks description of methodology and approach for procedures

Lacks precision to adequately define procedures

ICD-10-procedure codes

7 alpha-numeric characters in length

Approximately 87,000 available codes

Reflects current usage of medical terminology and devices

Flexible for adding new codes

Very specific

Enables laterality

Detailed descriptions for body parts

Provide detailed descriptions of methodology and approach for procedures

Precisely defines procedures with detail regarding body part, approach, any device used, and qualifying information

ICD-9 vs. ICD-10 Code Examples

ICD-9-CM-Procedure Codes

- 3 to 4 digits
- All digits are numeric; and
- Decimal is after second digit.

Examples

- 43.5 – Partial gastrectomy with anastomosis to esophagus; and
- 44.42 – Suture of duodenal ulcer site

ICD-10-Procedure Codes

- 7 digits
- Each digit is either alpha or numeric (alpha digits are not case sensitive and letters O and I are not used to avoid confusion with numbers 0 and 1); and
- No decimal.

Examples

- 0FB03ZX – Excision of liver, percutaneous approach, diagnostic; and
- 0DQ10ZZ – Repair upper esophagus, open approach

ICD-9-CM vs. ICD-10-CM

ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes

3-5 characters in length

Approximately 13,000 codes

1st character = alpha or numeric
Characters 2-5 = numeric

Limited space to add new codes

Lacks detail

Lacks laterality

Non-specified codification issues:

- Difficult to analyze data
- Difficult to support research

Not interoperable with other industrialized nations who have adopted ICD-10

3-5 characters in length

ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes

3-7 characters in length

Approximately 68,000 available codes

1st Character = alpha
2nd Character = numeric
3rd Character = alpha or numeric
Characters 4-7 = alpha or numeric
7th Character extension = episode of care

Flexibility to add new codes

Very specific

Allows laterality

Improves accuracy and richness of codification

Interoperable with the global health care community and has been adopted in 99 countries

3-7 characters in length

ICD-9 vs. ICD-10 Code Examples

ICD-9-CM-Diagnosis Codes

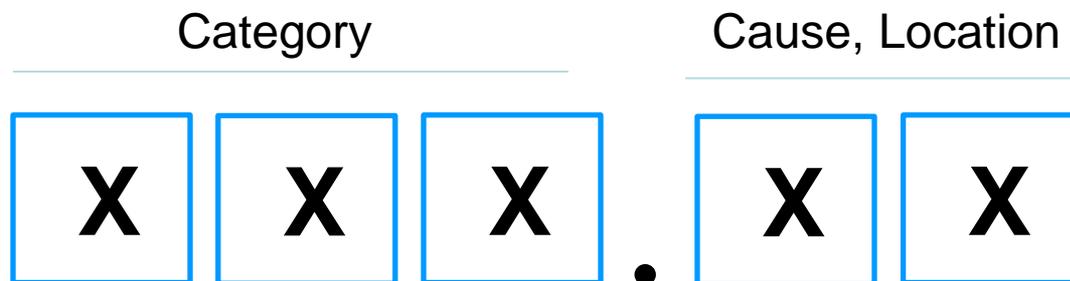
- 725 Polymyalgia Rheumatica 
- 714.0 Rheumatoid Arthritis 

ICD-10-CM-Diagnosis Codes

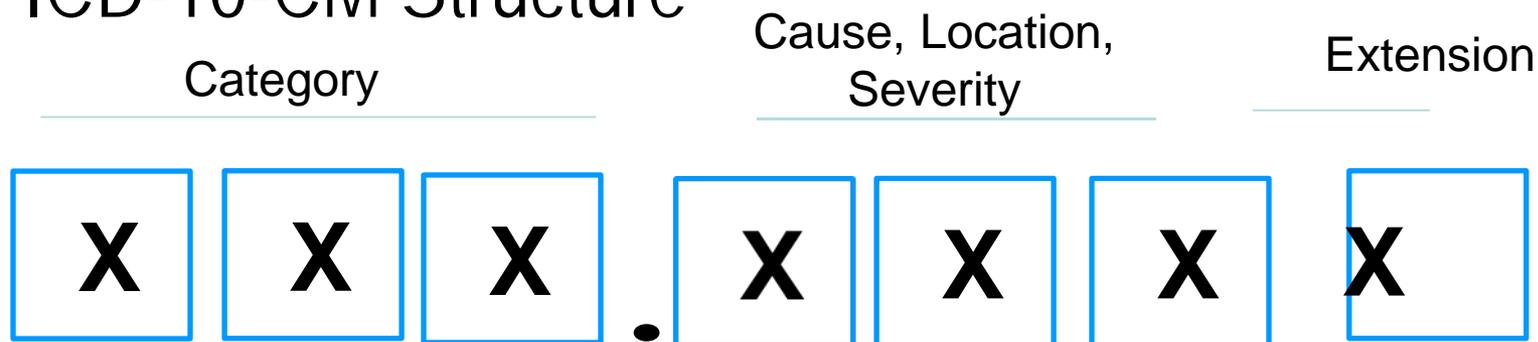
- M35.3A Polymyalgia Rheumatica
- M05.40 Rheumatoid myopathy with RA unspecified site
M05.41 [1,2,9] Rheumatoid myopathy with RA, shoulder
M05.42 [1,2,9] Rheumatoid myopathy with RA, elbow
M05.43 [1,2,9] Rheumatoid myopathy with RA, wrist
M05.44 [1,2,9] Rheumatoid myopathy with RA, hand
M05.45 [1,2,9] Rheumatoid myopathy with RA, hip.....add'l codes as well

ICD-10 CM Structure Comparison

- ICD- 9-CM Structure



- ICD-10-CM Structure





Specified vs. Unspecified

Specified Codes

- The question providers should ask themselves about the code:
 - *“Does the code reflect as accurately and precisely as possible the patient’s condition or the services performed to maintain or improve that condition?”*
- Please keep in mind:
 - The use of codes with a greater number of characters does not necessarily provide greater specificity. Example...
 - Some codes that are only 3 characters are very specific while some that are 7 characters are very vague.
 - A91 -- *Denque hemorrhagic fever*
 - T75.89XD -- *Other specified effects of external causes, subsequent encounter*
 - Always choose the most specific code possible for each encounter.
 - Be sure to document the side of the body involved or document that it is bilateral, if applicable.

Laterality

- Left
- Right
- Bilateral
- Other
- Unspecified



Site-Specific Laterality Example





Practice Makes Perfect

Preparation Is Key

- Practice using ICD-10 codes by crosswalking your most commonly used ICD-9 codes to ICD-10 codes
 - General Equivalence Mappings (GEMs)
 - Code Translator
 - Dual Coding
 - Superbills
- Documentation
- Training

General Equivalence Mappings Tool

- Provides an ICD-9 diagnosis code mapped to an ICD-10 diagnosis code. The GEMs tool is a basic tool and is not inclusive of all of the new ICD-10 codes.
 - [2014 ICD-10 PCS and GEMs](#)
 - [2014 ICD-10-CM and GEMs](#)
 - [2015 ICD-10 PCS and GEMs](#)
 - [2015 ICD-10-CM and GEMs](#)
- GEMs are not a substitute for learning to use.

General Equivalence Mappings Tool

- An example of GEMs

S35411A 90241 10000

S35411D V5889 10000

S35411S 9084 10000



S354065	V5889	10000
S354065	9084	10000
S35411A	90241	10000
S35411D	V5889	10000
S35411S	9084	10000
S35412A	90241	10000

Example: ICD-10-CM to ICD-9-CM GEM

S35.411A Laceration of right renal artery, initial encounter
To 902.41 Injury to renal artery

S35.412A Laceration of left renal artery, initial encounter
To 902.41 Injury to renal artery



Code Translator

- AAPC has a tool called the ICD-10 Code Translator. This allows you to compare your ICD-9 to ICD-10 codes. This tool only converts to ICD-10-CM codes.

<https://www.aapc.com/icd-10/codes/>

Dual Coding

- **What Is Dual Coding?**
 - This is when health care organizations assign ICD-10 and ICD-9 codes simultaneously to medical records.
- **Dual Coding benefits:**
 - Helps identify opportunities for clinical documentation improvement (CDI) and areas where physicians need training.
 - Give coders practice with the ICD-10 codes. By coding constantly with ICD-10 codes, medical coders will keep their knowledge fresh.
 - Allow healthcare providers to compare data and make sure that reimbursements won't change on October 1, 2015.

ICD-10 Documentation

- **Why is clinical documentation important?**
 - Aids in claim adjudication and payment
 - Captures the level of risks and severity
 - Supports clinical research
 - Enhances industry communication
 - Improves patient care

ICD-10 Training

- **Attending training sessions, webinars is just another way to obtain practice and prepare for ICD-10.**
 - Self-learning tools
 - Train the Trainer
 - Association training sessions
 - Webinars



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DCH Updates

DCH and ICD-10 External Testing

- Internal Testing Underway
- External Testing
 - Testing with Georgia Medicaid
 - Trading Partners and Billing Services
 - Currently underway
 - Providers
 - Currently underway

Test With Us

- **Be part of the solution.**
 - Become a Beta Test Site provider with DCH.
 - Testing directly benefits you.
 - Not a large effort to test.
 - We welcome small and large providers.
 - Web portal (GAMMIS) testing available.
- **Benefits**
 - Knowing in advance, testing in advance helps to ensure that there will not be a pause in cash flow.
 - To be part of the solution, please email your interest to icd10project@dch.ga.gov.

DCH and the Transition to ICD-10

- DCH is on track for ICD-10 compliance.
 - ❖ Although implementation has been delayed until October 1, 2015, DCH is continuing its remediation, education and testing as scheduled.
 - Phases of implementation
 - Awareness, Assessment, Remediation, Testing, Transition
 - Status as of October 2014
 - Awareness – *ongoing*
 - Assessment – *completed*
 - Remediation – *completed*
 - Testing – *verifying and validating the ICD-10 changes as completed in Remediation ... underway*
 - Transition – *not started*



Resources

CMS ICD-10 Checklists

- CMS has created ICD-10 Checklists to assist your organization with overall ICD-10 compliance.
 - [Large Practices](#)
 - [Small and Medium Practices](#)
 - [Small Hospitals](#)
 - [Payers](#)

[Source: www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10)

***Please note that checklists still reflect the October 1, 2014, compliance date.*



ICD-10 Training Resources



ICD-10 Resources

- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
CMS Overview
 - CMS ICD-10 Implementation Planning Guides/Checklist
 - HHS, CMS ICD-10 Final Rule
 - CMS, HHS Complete list of code sets for ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS; Final Rule and Official ICD-10-CM Guidelines
 - www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10
- World Health Organization (WHO) ICD-10 Page
 - <http://www.who.int/classifications/icd/en/>



More ICD-10 Resources

- DCH Resources
 - DCH Dedicated ICD-10 Website
<http://dch.georgia.gov/icd-10>
 - DCH Website for ICD-10 Webinars/Downloads
<http://dch.georgia.gov/icd-10-events>
 - DCH ICD-10 Education Outreach and Resources
<http://dch.georgia.gov/icd-10-educational-outreach-and-resources>
 - ICD-10: A Four-Part Series (Video)
<http://dch.georgia.gov/sorh-publications-and-presentations>
- HP Enterprise Services Statewide Workshops
 - Check GAMMIS <http://mmis.georgia.gov> for future ICD-10 workshops



Upcoming ICD-10 Webinars

Register Now

Tuesday, November 4, 2014: Back to Basics

★ **NEW DATE** Thursday, December 16, 2014: Mastering ICD-10 for Your Organization

2015 ICD-10 Webinar Series Coming Soon!

To register for the above webinars: Visit <http://dch.georgia.gov/icd-10-events>

- Each webinar is scheduled for up to one hour, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. ET.
- Unless otherwise noted, all webinars are targeted to Providers and Trading Partners.
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