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TO: All Nebraska Medicaid Providers

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RE: The International Classification of Diseases, 10<sup>th</sup> Revision (ICD-10)

**Please share this information with professional, clinical, administrative, and billing staff.**

The United States Department of Health and Human Services has mandated that all HIPAA covered entities use ICD-10 codes effective October 1, 2013. The ICD-10 coding system will fully replace the current ICD-9 coding system and will have a substantial impact on the entire health care industry. ICD-10 will incorporate greater specificity, reflect modern advances in health care and enable world-wide sharing of health data.

Nebraska Medicaid's ICD-10 project efforts have begun with assessment, analysis and awareness in preparation for modification of all systems and processes to accommodate ICD-10. A variety of avenues are being developed to provide ongoing provider communication and outreach.

As a Medicaid Provider, it is important that you prepare for this significant coding change. Identify all places that you currently use ICD-9 to understand the impact of the transition on your business practices. Learn about ICD-10 structure, organization and features. Initiate communication with your payers, vendors and other trading partners about their ICD-10 plans to ensure they fit with yours.

### **Where can I learn more about ICD-10?**

- ✓ The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services – [www.cms.gov/icd10/](http://www.cms.gov/icd10/)
- ✓ Centers for Disease Control – [www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm)
- ✓ American Health Information Management Association – [www.AHIMA.org/icd10](http://www.AHIMA.org/icd10)
- ✓ American Academy of Professional Coders – [www.aapc.com/icd-10/index.aspx](http://www.aapc.com/icd-10/index.aspx)

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