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TO: All Hospital Swing Bed, Special Needs Nursing Facilities and ICF/DD Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program

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RE: Prior Authorization for Hospital Swing Bed, Special Needs Nursing Facilities and ICF/DD Services and ICD-10 Implementation

Please share this information with clinical, coding, billing, and IT staff.

This bulletin provides information about the impact of the ICD-10 implementation on those providers identified above who participate in Nebraska Medicaid and utilize prior authorization services.

The United States Department of Health and Human Services requires all HIPAA covered entities use the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, (ICD-10) codes beginning October 1, 2015.

The MC-9NF form is used for requesting authorization for Hospital Swing Bed, Special Needs Nursing Facilities and ICF/DD Room and Board. To transition to the ICD-10 code set, providers must:

- Use ICD-9 codes if the facility admit date is prior to October 1, 2015.
- Use ICD-10 codes if the facility admit date is on or after October 1, 2015.
- Check the appropriate ICD indicator (ICD-10 or ICD-9) in Section IV of the MC-9NF.

The MC-9NF form can be accessed at the following websites:

<http://public-dhhs.ne.gov/Forms/Default.aspx>

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Documents/471-000-203.pdf>

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