



Medicare Contractor Annual Update of the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) – JA7006

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Contractors Affected

- Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs)
- Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs)
- Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)
- Medicare Carriers
- Durable Medical Equipment MACs (DME MACs)

Provider Types Affected Physicians, suppliers, and providers billing Medicare Carriers, A/B MACs, DME MACs, and FIs including RHHIs



Change Request (CR) 7006 is issued as a reminder that the annual ICD-9-CM coding update will be effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2010, and effective for discharges on or after October 1, 2010, for institutional providers.

Provider Needs to Know...

- An ICD-9-CM code is required for all professional claims including those from:
 - Physicians,
 - Non-physician practitioners,
 - Independent clinical diagnostic laboratories,
 - Occupational and physical therapists,
 - Independent diagnostic testing facilities,
 - Audiologists,

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- Ambulatory surgical centers, and
 - All institutional claims.
 - An ICD-9-CM code is not required for ambulance supplier claims.
 - Providers can see the new, revised, and discontinued ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD9ProviderDiagnosticCodes/07_summarytables.asp#TopOfPage, or at the National Center for Health Statistics website at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd9.htm> in June of each year.
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Background

The ICD-9-CM codes are updated annually as stated in the *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 23 (Fee Schedule Administration and Coding Requirements), Section 10.2 (Relationship of ICD-9-CM Codes and Date of Service).

**Operational
Impact**

N/A

**Reference
Materials**

The related MLN Matters® article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM7006.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR7006) issued regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1996CP.pdf> on the CMS website.
