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SUMMARY REPORT

ICD-9-CM COORDINATION AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

March 5, 2013

PROCEDURE DISCUSSIONS

Introductions and Overview

Pat Brooks welcomed the participants to the ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance (C&M) Committee meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss updates to the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10 coding systems. The public is encouraged to make comments on these proposals at the meeting and to make written comments following the meeting. No final decisions on code updates are made at the meeting. The nature of the code request is described and then proposed coding options are presented. CMS and CDC evaluate comments made at the meeting and subsequent written comments prior to finalizing any code updates. CMS made the meeting accessible via a live Webcast for participants to watch the meeting. There were approximately 460 participants who watched the live webcast. CMS also provided phone lines on a first come, first serve basis for callers to listen to the presentations. We would encourage all those watching and listening to the proceedings to send their written comments after the meeting. The agenda and handouts were posted on CMS' and CDC's websites in advance of the meeting to allow listeners to follow the discussions.

This was a one day meeting with procedure code issues discussed in the morning, followed by diagnosis codes. CMS has the lead on procedure codes and CDC has the lead on diagnosis codes. There were a very small number of code requests on the agenda because of the implementation of the partial code freeze. The code updates effective October 1, 2011 were the last regular updates to ICD-9-CM prior to implementation of ICD-10. Participants were referred to page 8 of the handouts for information on the partial code freeze, which has been discussed at multiple prior C&M meetings. Only codes for new technologies or new diseases will be considered for inclusion in ICD-9-CM and ICD-10 for the October 1, 2013 updates.

The ICD-9-CM procedure code issues discussed at the March 5, 2013 C&M meeting are being considered for implementation on October 1, 2013. As shown on the timeline document in the handout on page 5, the deadline for comments is April 6, 2013. E-mail comments are preferred since this avoids delays in mailroom screenings and deliveries.
Comments on the **procedure** part of the meeting should be sent to:
Pat Brooks
Patricia.brooks2@cms.hhs.gov

For **diagnosis** code related information including due dates for comments and proposed implementation dates, please see the summary report on CDCs homepage at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd9.htm

Comments on the **diagnosis** part of the meeting should be sent to:
Donna Pickett
Dfp4@cdc.gov

The participants are encouraged to refer to the timeline for future meeting information, deadlines for receipt of public comments, and publication of final code updates.

The C&M Committee meetings serve as a public forum to discuss proposed revisions to the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10. The public is given a chance to offer comments and ask questions about the proposed revisions. **No final decisions on code revisions take place at the meeting.**

ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-PCS topics - For detailed information on the clinical presentations and public comments please see the live video recording and slides that were presented during the March 5, 2013 ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee meeting that can be located at the following web address:
http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD9ProviderDiagnosticCodes/ICD-9-CM-C-and-M-Meeting-Materials-Items/2013-03-05-MeetingMaterials.html

CMS ICD-9-CM home page
CMS has information on several ICD-9-CM related issues at the following web address:
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD9ProviderDiagnosticCodes .

Registration for the ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee Meetings
CMS utilizes an online registration for the ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee Meetings. A link to the registration site is provided on the ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee meeting homepage, under the Related Links Inside CMS section, at the following web address:
http://www.cms.gov/ICD9ProviderDiagnosticCodes/03_meetings.asp#TopOfPage

April 1 code updates
There will be no new procedure codes implemented on April 1, 2013 since there were no requests from the September 2012 meeting.