

HIPAA EDI ICD-10 CONVERSION

Background

The Federal Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has mandated that all entities covered by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) must all transition to a new set of codes for electronic health care transactions effective **October 1, 2015**.

Purpose

The purpose of document is to clearly communicate the approach that Partnership HealthPlan of California (“PHC”) is taking to ensure compliance with the Federal Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) for the new ICD-10 set of codes for electronic health care transactions.

The differences between ICD-9 and ICD-10 are significant, including a sizeable increase in the number of new codes to address specificity. Physicians will need to move quickly to educate themselves and their staff about this major change so they can meet the October 1, 2015 compliance deadline.

Requirements

PHC requires test claims with ICD-10 codes for all Trading Partners.

In order to continue submitting electronic claims to PHC, all Trading Partners must go through ICD-10 testing and be approved by the effective date of October 1, 2015.

- If you are a Trading Partner or third party vendor submitting claims for multiple providers, you must submit a test file using ICD-10 codes.
- If you are a Provider submitting claims directly, you must submit a test file using ICD-10 codes
- If you are a Provider using a third party vendor, there is nothing being requested of you at this time. Please work with your third party vendor to ensure they have been approved for testing before submitting ICD-10 claims beginning October 1, 2015.
- If you are submitting Professional and Institutional file types, you will need to submit test claims for both.

Any claims that are submitted with ICD-9 codes that have a date of service on or after October 1, 2015 will be rejected and reported via the 277CA response transactions. If you submit any claims with ICD-10 codes, but you have not completed ICD-10 testing with PHC, those claims will be rejected and reported via the 277CA response transactions.

Implementation

PHC encourages all the providers to get tested and approved for ICD-10 by 9/30/15 in order to begin sending production claims with ICD-10 codes for date of service effective 10/1/15.

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