

ICD-10 Frequently Asked Questions

What are the structural differences between ICD-9 Codes and ICD-10 Codes?

Structural Differences:

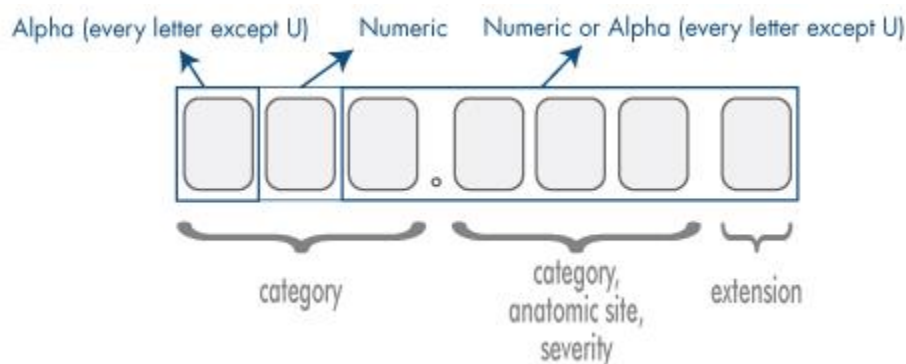
ICD-9 Codes:

- ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes are mostly numeric and range from 3–5 digits
- ICD-9-CM inpatient procedure codes are numeric and range from 2–4 digits

ICD-10 Codes

- ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes are alphanumeric and contain 3–7 characters.
- ICD-10-PCS (inpatient procedure codes) are alphanumeric and always contain 7 characters.

Format:



What if I try to submit a claim to Health New England (HNE) with ICD-9 codes after the October 1, 2015 cutover date?

HNE will follow the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines regarding ICD-10 cutover and will not accept claims with ICD-9 codes for dates of service after the defined cutover date (October 1, 2015). They will be returned to the provider for correction and resubmission.

If I currently bill with DSM codes, how do I know which ICD-10 code to use?

The APA's DSM-5 manual does include an ICD-10-CM crosswalk for use by providers as a reference-guide only.

- DSM-5 codes were assigned to the best available ICD-10-CM code.
- Please note that the names connected with the code sets sometimes do not match. For example, DSM-5's Hoarding Disorder (300.3) is reported for claims payment as ICD-10-CM code F42, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder.
- The DSM-5 diagnosis should always be recorded by name in the medical record in addition to listing the code.

DSM-5 codes will be accepted for all clinical authorizations (utilization management, Mental Health Care Service Requests) but not for claims processing.

Are there any on line resources that I can use to learn and plan for the conversion to ICD-10?

The following is a list of websites that you might find helpful.

- [CMS site](#)
- [AHIMA site](#)
- [HiMSS ICD-10 Playbook](#)
- [ICD10WatchNewsletter](#)

- [Mass Health Data Consortium ICD-10 page](#)

What are HNE's plans for testing with external entities?

ICD-10 Testing with HNE

HNE intends to test with all interested, current Hospitals, Providers, Vendors and Trading Partners. To meet the CMS requirements, HNE will be coordinating two types of ICD-10 testing in 2015:

Testing Types:

- **Direct Submission End-2-End Testing** – End-2-End (or E-2-E) testing will include claims processing with test versions of HNE's internal and external vendor systems. It will involve all in-plan Hospitals and identified volume-based provider groups
- **Structural-only Testing** – Will test just the transaction layout and data compliance. It will include all other Providers and Trading Partners.

The link below provides more detailed information regarding HNE's ICD-10 Test Plan and Testing Guidelines.

- [HNE Roadmap, Test Overview & Testing Guidelines](#)