

# ICD-10 Coordination and Maintenance Committee Meeting



**ICD-10-PCS Topics**

March 18, 2015

# Introductions & Overview

- ICD-10 Coordination & Maintenance (C&M) Committee is a public forum on ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS code updates
- CMS & CDC Co-chair the meetings
  - CMS has lead on procedure issues
  - CDC has lead on diagnosis issues
- Coding proposals presented and public given opportunity to comment

# Code Proposals

- No final decisions made at the meeting
- CMS will describe options and recommendations to facilitate discussion
- Public can comment at meeting and send written comments

# Comments on Code Proposals

- Submit written comments by
  - April 17, 2015 for codes to be implemented on October 1, 2015
  - June 19, 2015 for codes to be implemented on October 1, 2016
- Procedure comments to Pat Brooks, CMS  
[patricia.brooks2@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:patricia.brooks2@cms.hhs.gov)
- Diagnosis comments to Donna Pickett, CDC  
[nchsicd9@cdc.gov](mailto:nchsicd9@cdc.gov)

# Partial Code Freeze

- Currently under a partial code freeze
  - ICD-10 will be implemented for services provided on or after October 1, 2015
  - Only ICD-10 codes for new technologies and new diagnoses are being considered for October 1, 2015
  - All other ICD-10 code updates would be made after the code freeze ends on October 1, 2016

# Proposed & Final Rules

- April 2015 - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, IPPS
  - Includes ICD-10-CM/PCS diagnosis and procedure updates approved prior to March 2015 C&M meeting
- August 1, 2015 – Final rule with links to final codes to be implemented on October 1, 2015
  - Includes any additional codes approved from March 2015 C&M meeting

# Addendum

- June 2015 – Final code updates and addendum posted
  - FY 2016 ICD-10-CM (Diagnosis) and ICD-10-PCS (procedure)  
<http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/index.html>
  - FY 2016 ICD-10-CM (Diagnosis)  
<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm>

# GEM & Reimbursement Files

- June 2015 General Equivalence Mappings (GEM) & Reimbursement postings
  - FY 2016 ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS GEMs and Reimbursement mappings posted at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/index.html>
  - Annual GEM updates will be posted early in 2015 year to facilitate implementation planning



# September C&M Code Requests

- July 17, 2015– Deadline for submitting topics for September 22–23, 2015 C&M meeting
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# Public Participation

- For this meeting the public may participate in three ways:
  - Attend public C&M meeting
  - Listen to proceedings through free conference lines
  - Participate through a free livestream webcast
- CMS & CDC hope this provides greater opportunity for public participation

# Written Comments

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# Partial Code Freeze for ICD-9-CM and ICD-10

The ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee implemented a partial freeze of the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10 (ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS) codes prior to the implementation of ICD-10. The partial freeze is scheduled to end one year after the implementation of ICD-10. There was considerable support for this partial freeze. On April 1, 2014, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA) (Pub. L. No. 113-93) was enacted, which said that the Secretary may not adopt ICD-10 prior to October 1, 2015.

Accordingly, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issued a final rule on August 4, 2014 that changed the compliance date for ICD-10 from October 1, 2014 to October 1, 2015. The final rule also requires HIPAA covered entities to continue to use ICD-9-CM through September 30, 2015.

Links to the final rule are provided at

[http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/Statute\\_Regulations.html](http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/Statute_Regulations.html)

# Partial Code Freeze Implementation

- The last regular, annual updates to both ICD-9-CM and ICD-10 code sets were made on October 1, 2011.
- On October 1, 2012, October 1, 2013, and October 1, 2014 there were only limited code updates to both the ICD-9-CM and ICD-10 code sets to capture new technologies and diseases as required by section 503(a) of Pub. L. 108-173.
- On October 1, 2015, there will be only limited code updates to ICD-10 code sets to capture new technologies and diagnoses as required by section 503(a) of Pub. L. 108-173. There will be no updates to ICD-9-CM, as it will no longer be used for reporting.
- On October 1, 2016 (one year after implementation of ICD-10), regular updates to ICD-10 will begin.

# C&M Meets During Freeze

The ICD-9-CM Coordination and Maintenance Committee will continue to meet twice a year during the partial freeze. At these meetings, the public will be asked to comment on whether or not requests for new diagnosis or procedure codes should be created based on the criteria of the need to capture a new technology or disease. Any code requests that do not meet the criteria will be evaluated for implementation within ICD-10 on and after October 1, 2016 once the partial freeze has ended.

# ICD-10 Updates

- CMS will provide a variety of ICD-10 updates during this meeting
  - Updates on ICD-10 End-To-End Testing
  - Impacts of implementing ICD-10 MS-DRGs
  - At the conclusion of the procedure topics, CDC will then begin their part of the meeting on diagnosis issues

# New Technology Section in ICD-10-PCS

- Public request to create new section in ICD-10-PCS for new technologies
- Issue discussed at September 2014 C&M meeting
- Drugs and supplies were mentioned as concerns
- CMS agreed with this suggestion



# New Section X

## ICD-10-PCS

- General goal of section X is two-fold
  - Create codes uniquely identifying procedures requested via the New Technology Application Process or that capture services not routinely captured in ICD-10-PCS that have been presented for public comment at a C&M meeting
  - Create codes that maintain continuity with the other sections in ICD-10-PCS to the extent possible

# Section X Codes

- Section X codes use the same root operation values as their closest counterparts in other sections of ICD-10-PCS
- X section is for types of technologies that are not usually captured by coders or that do not usually have the desired specificity within the current ICD-10-PCS structure required for new technology approval

# New Technology Codes

- Codes for new technologies that are consistent with current ICD-10-PCS codes may still be created within the current ICD-10-PCS structure

# Section X Structure

- First character – letter X
- Second character - body system/region value
- Third character - root operation value
- Fourth character - body part value
- Fifth character - approach value
- Sixth character - device/substance/technology value
- Seventh character - information indicating the year created

# Section X Structure con't.

- Consistent with the general architecture of ICD-10-PCS, each of the seven characters has a consistent definition within the section
- the third, fourth and fifth characters specify the root operation, body part, and approach respectively because that is the type of information defined in those characters for the majority of the ICD-10-PCS sections

# Section X Code Transition to ICD-10-PCS

- After section X codes have served their purpose, proposals to delete X codes and create new codes in the body of ICD-10-PCS would be addressed at subsequent C&M meetings
- Details about this structure will be explained during the ICD-10-PCS code requests that follow