



Vision Care

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On January 16, 2009, the ICD-10 Final Rule was published in the Federal Register which adopts modifications to code set standards adopted by HIPAA. This rule modifies the standard medical data code sets for coding diagnosis by adopting ICD-10-CM.

eMedNY will meet the October 1, 2015 deadline, and providers and vendors are expected to be on track as well. eMedNY has been accepting ICD-10 test files since July 28, 2014.

How to prepare prior to October 1, 2015

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- ICD-10 coding applies to all providers who use ICD-9 coding currently. Primary Diagnosis is **required** for all Professional claims. Today when your office submits claims, there is an ICD-9 code. Be sure to research the new ICD-10 code(s) for your office so you will be ready for the October 1, 2015 deadline.
- **Testing:** There is no ability for providers to submit a test via ePACES or paper claims. Providers may submit electronic claim transactions may test ICD-10 claim submissions through the Provider Testing Environment.

What to do on October 1, 2015:

- **Electronic and Paper Claims:** ICD-9 claims (date of service prior to October 1, 2015) must be submitted separately from ICD-10 claims (date of service on or after October 1, 2015). ICD-10 codes cannot be used on claims with a date of service prior to October 1, 2015.
Note: ICD-10 does not affect CPT coding for outpatient procedures.

- **ePACES Users:** The correct Diagnosis Code Version (ICD-9 or ICD-10) on the Diagnosis Tab must be selected based on the date of service of the claim. The version button on the "Diagnosis Tab" currently is defaulted to ICD-9.
- The ICD-10 code sets are effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015. ICD-10 cannot be used on claims with a date of service prior to October 1, 2015.

For more information about ICD-10:

- Visit the eMedNY ICD-10 website [here](#)
- Questions about ICD-10 implementation in New York should be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at 1-800-343-9000.
- Visit the CMS ICD-10 web site [here](#)
- Providers may also wish to sign up for **CMS ICD-10 Industry Email Updates** [here](#).

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