

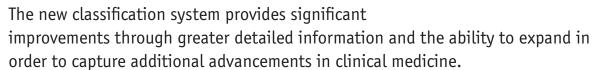




The Next Generation of Coding

The International Classification of Diseases, 10th Edition, Clinical Modification/Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-CM/PCS) would enhance accurate payment for services rendered and facilitate evaluation of medical processes and outcomes. A number of other countries have already moved to ICD-10, including:

- United Kingdom (1995);
- > France (1997);
- > Australia (1998);
- Germany (2000); and
- > Canada (2001).



ICD-10-CM/PCS consists of two parts:

- ➤ ICD-10-CM The diagnosis classification system developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for use in all U.S. health care treatment settings. Diagnosis coding under this system uses a different number of digits and some other changes, but the format is very much the same as ICD-9-CM; and
- ➤ ICD-10-PCS The procedure classification system developed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for use in the U.S. for inpatient hospital settings ONLY. The new procedure coding system uses 7 alpha or numeric digits while the ICD-9-CM coding system uses 3 or 4 numeric digits.

The current system, International Classification of Diseases, 9th Edition, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM), does not provide the necessary detail on either patients' medical conditions or on procedures performed on hospitalized patients. ICD-9-CM is 30 years old, has outdated and obsolete terminology, uses outdated codes that produce inaccurate and limited data, and is inconsistent with current medical practice. It cannot accurately describe the diagnoses and inpatient procedures of care delivered in the 21st century.



ICD-10-CM/PCS:

- Incorporates much greater specificity and clinical information, which results in:
 - Improved ability to measure health care services;
 - Increased sensitivity when refining grouping and reimbursement methodologies;
 - Enhanced ability to conduct public health surveillance; and
 - Decreased need to include supporting documentation with claims;
- Includes updated medical terminology and classification of diseases;
- Provides codes to allow comparison of mortality and morbidity data; and
- > Provides better data for:
 - Measuring care furnished to patients;
 - Designing payment systems;
 - Processing claims;
 - Making clinical decisions;
 - Tracking public health;
 - Identifying fraud and abuse; and
 - Conducting research.

Below are examples that show where ICD-10-CM/PCS codes are more precise and provide better information.

ICD-9-CM

Mechanical complication of other vascular device, implant and graft

1 code (996.1)

ICD-10-CM

Mechanical complication of other vascular grafts

156 codes, including

- T82.310 Breakdown (mechanical) of aortic (bifurcation) graft (replacement)
- T82.311 Breakdown (mechanical) of carotid arterial graft (bypass)
- T82.312 Breakdown (mechanical) of femoral arterial graft (bypass)
- T82.318 Breakdown (mechanical) of other vascular grafts
- T82.319 Breakdown (mechanical) of unspecified vascular grafts
- T82.320 Displacement of aortic (bifurcation) graft (replacement)
- T82.321 Displacement of carotid arterial graft (bypass)
- T82.322 Displacement of femoral arterial graft (bypass)
- T82.328 Displacement of other vascular grafts

ICD-9-CM

Pressure ulcer codes

9 location codes (707.00 - 707.09) Show broad location, but not depth (stage)

ICD-10-CM

Pressure ulcer codes

125 codes

Show more specific location as well as depth, including

L89131 – Pressure ulcer of right lower back, stage I

L89132 - Pressure ulcer of right lower back, stage II

L89133 - Pressure ulcer of right lower back, stage III

L89134 - Pressure ulcer of right lower back, stage IV

L89139 – Pressure ulcer of right lower back, unspecified stage

L89141 - Pressure ulcer of left lower back, stage I

L89142 - Pressure ulcer of left lower back, stage II

L89143 - Pressure ulcer of left lower back, stage III

L89144 - Pressure ulcer of left lower back, stage IV

L89149 – Pressure ulcer of left lower back, unspecified stage

L89151 - Pressure ulcer of sacral region, stage I

L89152 - Pressure ulcer of sacral region, stage II

ICD-9-CM Angioplasty

1 code (39.50)

ICD-10-PCS

Angioplasty codes

1,170 codes

Specifying body part, approach, and device, including

- 047K04Z Dilation of right femoral artery with drug-eluting intraluminal device, open approach
- 047K0DZ Dilation of right femoral artery with intraluminal device, open approach
- 047K0ZZ Dilation of right femoral artery, open approach
- 047K24Z Dilation of right femoral artery with drug-eluting intraluminal device, open endoscopic approach
- 047K2DZ Dilation of right femoral artery with intraluminal device, open endoscopic approach







Structural Differences Between the Two Coding Systems ➤ ➤ ➤

ICD-9-CM Diagnoses Codes:

- ➤ 3 5 digits;
- > First digit is alpha (E or V) or numeric; and
- ➤ Digits 2 5 are numeric.

Examples:

- 496 Chronic airway obstruction not elsewhere classified (NEC);
- 511.9 Unspecified pleural effusion; and
- V02.61 Hepatitis B carrier.

ICD-10-CM Diagnoses Codes:

- ➤ 3 7 digits;
- > Digit 1 is alpha;
- > Digits 2 and 3 are numeric; and
- ➤ Digits 4 7 are alpha or numeric (alpha digits are not case sensitive).

Examples:

- A66 Yaws;
- A69.21 Meningitis due to Lyme disease; and
- S52.131a Displaced fracture of neck of right radius, initial encounter for closed fracture.

ICD-9-CM Procedure Codes:

- > 3 4 digits; and
- > All digits numeric.

Examples:

- 43.5 Partial gastrectomy with anastomosis to esophagus; and
- 44.42 Suture of duodenal ulcer site.

ICD-10-PCS Procedure Codes:

- > 7 digits; and
- > Each either alpha or numeric (alpha digits are not case sensitive and letters O and I are not used to avoid confusion with numbers 0 and 1).

Examples:

- 0FB03ZX Excision of liver, percutaneous approach, diagnostic; and
- 0DQ107Z Repair, esophagus, upper, open with autograft.

Implementation Planning Recommendations ➤ ➤ ➤ ➤ ➤

Organizations and facilities can plan for ICD-10-CM/PCS implementation by developing an organizational plan that includes:

- Situational Analysis
 - Identify stakeholders;
 - Assess impact;
 - Formulate strategies and identify goals;
 - Develop education/training plans for employees at all levels;
 - Develop information systems/technology systems change implementation plan that includes testing and "go live" dates; and
 - Plan for documentation changes;
- Strategic Implementation/Organizing
 - Acquire resources to implement the plan;
 - Evaluate financial impact on organization; and
- Planning for Strategic Control
 - Develop objectives;
 - Plan measurement tools;
 - Plan evaluation strategies; and
 - Plan action steps for implementation.

Many professional and private sector organizations and businesses have resources available that may help with ICD-10-CM/PCS implementation planning.

Continued Use of Current Procedural Terminology ➤ ➤ ➤ ➤

ICD-10-CM/PCS would not affect physicians, outpatient facilities, and hospital outpatient departments' usage of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes on Medicare fee-for-service claims as CPT would continue.

HELPFUL WEB SITES

General ICD-10 Information http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10

ICD-10-PCS Coding System, Mappings, and Related Training Manual http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10/02_ICD-10PCS.asp

ICD-10-CM Coding System, Mappings, and Guidelines http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/otheract/icd9/abticd10.htm http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ICD10/03_ICD-10-CM.asp

Report on Use of Health Information Technology to Enhance and Expand Health Care Anti-Fraud Activities http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/documents/ReportOnTheUse.pdf

CMS-0013-P—HIPAA Administrative Simplification: Modification to Medical Data Code Set Standards to Adopt ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS

http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-19298.pdf

Transactions and Code Sets Regulations http://www.cms.hhs.gov/TransactionCodeSetsStands/ 02 TransactionsandCodeSetsRegulations.asp

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