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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS)
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SUBJECT: International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision

This policy memorandum establishes that the Military Health System (MHS), including the Army, Navy, Air Force, and all Active and Reserve forces will implement the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD-10) by the mandated compliance date of October 1, 2013. Under the authority of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (Public Law 104-191), the Department of Health and Human Services published a Final Rule on January 16, 2009, entitled Administrative Simplification: Modifications to Medical Data Code Set Standards to Adopt ICD-10-(CM) and ICD-10-(PCS) Final Rule (45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 162). The Final Rule adopts ICD-10-Clinical Modification (CM) for all diagnosis coding and ICD-10-Procedure Coding System (PCS) for inpatient hospital procedure coding.

TRICARE Management Activity chartered an ICD-10 Integrated Project Team (IPT) in October 2010 to address the impacts of ICD-10, including requirements for centrally-managed information systems, training and communication needs, updates to DoD forms and publications, and impacts on purchased care operations. While IPT membership includes major MHS

stakeholders, each of the Services is responsible for identifying and addressing its Service-specific transition activities. MHS ICD-10 IPT serves as the focal point for MHS stakeholder communications during the MHS transition from ICD-9 to ICD-10, providing a forum for appropriate common guidance, collaboration, and central communication across the enterprise.

The point of contact for this memorandum, and Chair of MHS ICD-10 IPT, is Mr. Daniel (Danny) Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer may be reached at Daniel.Sawyer@tma.osd.mil.

Thank you for your interest in the health and well-being of our Service members, veterans, and their families.

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