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Documentation Update: Are You Ready for ICD-10?

A teleconference for all clinicians → **March 18, 2015 • 9:00—10:30 a.m.**

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Home health and hospice agencies face the challenges of ICD-10 implementation and compliance on October 1, 2015 when we will transition from 14,315 diagnosis codes in ICD-9 to over 69,000 diagnosis codes in ICD-10. The diagnoses codes in ICD-10 are much more specific, and agencies will risk reimbursement losses by using "unspecified" codes. Another concern with this transition is decreased productivity by coding staff. This will be compounded if coders do not have the detailed information they need in the intake and assessment documentation to select the specific diagnosis codes appropriate for each case.

What does your agency's gap analysis reveal in this critical area?

♦ At referral, does your intake staff obtain specific diagnosis information? Do they know what to request? How often do you have to contact the referral source for clarification?

♦ Are your clinicians performing a thorough assessment and documenting the details that coders need to select accurate and specific diagnosis codes in ICD-9?

♦ Do you know which conditions will require even more detailed assessment information to code in ICD-10? (hint: it's more than just identifying left or right!)

♦ How much time do your coders spend now tracking down the additional information they need from clinicians or referral sources? What is your process for verifying diagnoses with the physician? Do you have an estimate on how much additional time it may take in ICD-10?

This teleconference will provide the latest information on the diagnoses and conditions that will require specific detailed documentation to code accurately in ICD-10. For each body system, we will identify key points that intake will need to obtain at referral, and offer assessment and documentation tips for clinicians to meet the needs of coders in ICD-10. Finally, we will discuss some process revisions to ensure this necessary information is available.

About Our Speaker:

Teresa Northcutt, has 35+ years of experience in healthcare, certified in OASIS competency (COS-C), Homecare Coding Specialist-Diagnoses (HCS-D), and as an AHIMA Approved ICD-10-CM Trainer. Teresa worked six years for Primaris, the Quality Improvement Organization for Missouri and for the past six years as an independent consultant for Home Health agencies and organizations.

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