

HealthSmart recognizes that transitioning from ICD-9 to ICD-10 will require a multi-disciplinary approach within the organization in order to successfully implement the new code sets. As such, HealthSmart has assembled an ICD-10 Steering Committee to identify and analyze the effects of the changes and necessary modifications. The ICD-10 Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from all areas of the organization and each individual is tasked with implementing appropriate action plans within their respective business unit.

The primary goals of the ICD-10 Steering Committee are to evaluate the most efficient processes for completing the following initiatives:

- Updating electronic systems to transmit and accept claims;
- Updating internal benefits logic and edits;
- Revising authorizations for procedure criteria;
- Updating Policies & Procedures related to ICD-10 coding;
- Training HealthSmart staff on ICD-10 compliance; and
- Understanding the coding practice based on ICD-10.

At this time, HealthSmart's ICD-10 Steering Committee is currently surveying its vendors and partners to ensure they are positioned and ready to implement the new ICD-10 code sets.

(October 1, 2015). We will provide updates on its website at [www.healthsmart.com](http://www.healthsmart.com) to keep all interested parties informed about HealthSmart's progress and current status related to ICD-10 implementation. Additionally, HealthSmart will implement solutions to bridge the ICD-9 and ICD-10 gap, as well as continue to plan and analyze its ICD impacts on the health care. HealthSmart appreciates your understanding as we work to comply with these new requirements.

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