

## Eli's Rehab Report

### ICD-10 News: Mark Your Calendar, Officially

**You have just over a year to prepare.**

As you were turning the calendar from July to August, the **Department of Health and Human Services** (HHS) was issuing a final rule that affects your 2015 calendar.

On July 31, HHS final rule 45 CFR Part 162 confirmed the speculation that the new ICD-10 implementation date would be October 1, 2015, a one-year delay: "This final rule implements section 212 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 by changing the compliance date for the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) for diagnosis coding, including the Official ICD-10-CM Guidelines for Coding and Reporting, and the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-PCS) for inpatient hospital procedure coding, including the Official ICD-10-PCS Guidelines for Coding and Reporting, from October 1, 2014 to October 1, 2015. It also requires the continued use of the International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification, Volumes 1 and 2 (diagnoses), and 3 (procedures) (ICD-9-CM), including the Official ICD-9-CM Guidelines for Coding and Reporting, through September 30, 2015."

**Resource:** You can read the ruling here: [s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2014-18347.pdf](https://www.federalregister.gov/public-inspection/s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2014-18347.pdf).