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Hospice News: Beware This LCD Change

Don't expect to get diagnosis coding specifics in your Local Coverage Decisions going forward.

"It is no longer appropriate to include Current Procedure Terminology (CPT) codes or International Classification of Diseases-Tenth Revision-Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) codes in the LCDs," the **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services** says in an update to the Medicare Program Integrity Manual's chapter on LCDs. "All CPT and ICD-10-CM codes shall be removed from LCDs and placed in billing & coding articles or Policy Articles that are to be published to the MCD and related to the LCD."

See the PIM chapter at www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Downloads/pim83c13.pdf.