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If your agency purchased the 2012 draft version of the ICD-10-CM code book, I recommend that you **not** purchase the 2013 draft since the number of changes was minimal and can be manually written into the 2012 code books. The changes for the different sections of the code book are attached (go to <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/2013-ICD-10-CM-and-GEMs.html>, Downloads/2013Addenda). Also, if you prefer not to make the changes in the code book, please remember that the 2013 version is available online at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/2013-ICD-10-CM-and-GEMs.html>.

There is still no official word about extending the compliance date to 10/1/14 but if the date is extended, the majority of agency staff will be trained using the 2014 version so purchasing the 2013 version would not make sound financial sense. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks!