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Attachments are on the website under Training/Training Resources; ICD-10 Project Deliverables/Project Management Deliverables and Project Implementation Deliverables: Education Matrix v17.xls; ICD-10 Project Schedule by Tasks Baselined-Updated 3-12-12.xls; WBS 2 1 ICD-10 Implementation Project_Project Plan v3.doc;

There are several items I want to inform the ICD-10 contacts about as described below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

1. As reported to many of you in an e-mail I sent out on 2/15/11, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has said they will consider delaying the implementation of ICD-10 (following a request by the AMA House of Delegates). To date, CMS has not proposed any changes in the compliance date. DPH's stance is we are moving forward with ICD-10 implementation plans since the official compliance date remains 10/1/13. If we were to stop the implementation process and CMS decides not to change the compliance date, DPH would be behind schedule. If CMS does proceed with the delay, there will be more time for testing impacted system, testing with third party payers, training development, etc.
 2. Attached is an Education Matrix that the DPH ICD-10 Implementation Team has developed to assist agencies in identifying the types of staff roles that may need training, the type of training needed, when the training should occur, how the training should be presented and the level of training needed. **Please note that these are only recommendations to help agencies think through their training needs.**
 - a. The matrix includes staff roles in the CDSAs, Local Health Departments, DPH, Division of Information Resource Management (DIRM) and Rural Health.
 - b. The abbreviations used in the matrix are defined on the second tab within the Excel Workbook.
 - c. Agencies may identify staff types that are not listed or may not agree that some of the staff types need the training included in the matrix. Decisions about staff training needs are the responsibility of each agency.
 - d. Many of the "When" columns have not been completed for all types of training since the dates may change if CMS delays the compliance date. The matrix will be updated once CMS announces a final decision on the compliance date.
 - e. A Training Plan is currently under development and the matrix will be included in the Training Plan deliverable. However, I wanted to go ahead and share the matrix in advance so local agency Implementation Teams could have the information.
 3. Attached is the Project Schedule which is now baselined.
 - a. For Local Agencies, please refer to the items highlighted in the salmon color – those line items will give you a quick reference for dates you can expect to receive deliverables.
 - b. Items highlighted in pink signify that all tasks within an assigned Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) have been completed.
 - c. Items highlighted in green signify the milestone dates – key dates for completion of deliverables to ensure the project is completed on a timely basis (these are referenced in the Project Plan which has been updated and is attached).
- d. According to the attached project schedule, a small number of staff from each local agency will receive coding training in order for those staff members to perform Clinical Documentation Assessments (starting in September 2012). If CMS delays the compliance date, then we will re-look at our project schedule and adjust accordingly. However, we will move forward with development of training materials and train minimal staff in each agency so they can conduct the Clinical Documentation Assessment. Information learned from that process will be the same whether the date changes or not. Therefore, agencies should purchase **a limited number** of 2012 ICD-10-CM code books.