

ICD-10 Provider Readiness Survey #3

Survey Date: July – August 2013

Summary Analysis

IME survey result continues to be a cause for concern on provider readiness for ICD-10 implementation

The Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME) recently completed its third quarterly survey to gauge provider ICD-10 implementation readiness. The result continues to yield concerns about the level of provider readiness to meet the October 1, 2014 federal compliance deadline for implementation. The latest survey shows that only 30% of respondents have indicated that they were a quarter of the way through planning for resources dedicated to ICD-10 implementation. Twenty-one percent indicated that they have not yet even started with plans to dedicate resources and only 29% have indicated that they have developed a training plan.

Although some of these numbers are showing a marginal increase as the October 1, 2013 date to begin testing approaches, there is strong evidence that indicate that the healthcare industry is not making the amount of progress that is needed for a smooth transition to ICD-10 in October 2014. The third quarterly IME survey further indicates that although only 30% of IME providers surveyed indicated that they will be ready for external testing with the IME by October 1, 2013, the number of respondents that indicated they will be ready to utilize ICD-10 codes by the October 1, 2014 federal compliance date remain high at 80%.

These findings are consistent with the ICD-10 Industry Readiness Survey Results conducted by The Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI), the leading authority on the use of Health IT to improve the exchange of healthcare information. Stanley Nachimson, Director of the WEDI ICD-10 Implementation Timeline Initiative stated, " ... it has become clear that many entities postponed their work until much later ... It remains to be seen how this postponement will affect the progress to compliance. Indications remain that significant numbers of industry participants have a considerable amount of work to do in a very short time."

RESULT OF SURVEY # 3

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<http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/ICD10.html>