Status of ICD-10-CM: Casefinding Lists and Conversion Files

As many of you are aware, we are now looking at an **October 1, 2014, implementation date for the ICD-10-CM**. Several registries would like their IT team to conduct testing on ICD-10-CM prior to the implementation date. As a result, SEER will be releasing **both** the 2014 (ICD-9-CM) and 2015 (ICD-10-CM) casefinding lists in late August/early September.

For those of you unfamiliar with the implementation dates for the annual ICD updates, they generally go into effect on October 1. **So, for the last year of ICD-9-CM, the codes will be in effect October 1, 2013 - September 30, 2014.** Then, **ICD-10-CM will go into effect on October 1, 2014.**

Currently the casefinding lists for the cancer registry community run January 1 - December 31. With that in mind, for the first couple of years of ICD-10-CM, it would be beneficial for the cancer registry community to have the same effective dates for the coding updates as ICD. This means SEER’s 2014 Casefinding list (ICD-9-CM) will be applicable for 10/1/2013 - 9/30/2014; then their 2015 Casefinding list (ICD-10-CM) will be effective 10/1/14 - 9/30/15. **Regular annual updates for ICD-10-CM will start in FY 2016 (October 1, 2015-September 30, 2106).** These updates will most likely include more hematopoietic codes coming in the future.

SEER’s current plan is to have the 2014 (ICD-9-CM) and 2015 (ICD-10-CM) casefinding lists posted by September, 2013 on the SEER website at ([http://www.seer.cancer.gov/tools/casefinding/](http://www.seer.cancer.gov/tools/casefinding/)). **By releasing the 2015 casefinding list early, it will allow more time for registries to incorporate the ICD-10-CM codes into their electronic casefinding systems.** Equally important, it will give time for registrars to review the codes, become familiar with them and spot any errors. **If you find any errors, please report them to Ask SEER Registrar in the “other” category.** Any other questions regarding the casefinding or conversions lists may be submitted at [http://www.seer.cancer.gov/registars/contact.html](http://www.seer.cancer.gov/registars/contact.html). SEER does not foresee many changes to the FY 2015 ICD-10-CM, but this early release will give SEER a chance to fix any errors, restructure the list or address other questions or comments that registrars have. An updated 2015 casefinding list, with any necessary changes identified by registrar review, will be released in August/September 2014.

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