



### ICD-10 Information Update

A recent article published on the Modern Healthcare web site has caused concern to some of our Louisiana Medicaid providers about Louisiana's readiness to meet the ICD-10 October 1, 2015 deadline. A link to this article is below. CMS mandated that states be able to accept ICD-10 codes by October 1, 2015. They did not mandate how processing was to take place. The article does not state that Louisiana will not be ready. Rather, it states the process of cross walking by Louisiana and 3 other states is a workaround and therefore a temporary solution. CMS has approved the method of cross walking in various forms based on each individual states' needs. Louisiana is ready for the conversion to ICD-10.

Article link:

<http://www.modernhealthcare.com/article/20150904/NEWS/150909938/medicaid-icd-10-workarounds-in-california-three-other-states-worry>