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5.14.15 - ICD-10 will be *huge*: experts suggest having a six month cash reserve to weather the ICD-9 to ICD-10 transition period. You must comply with ICD-10 for mental / behavioral health, psychiatry and substance usage (ie, **DSM is ICD!**).

**Don't delay:** check out our action items to help you prepare.

## May Item #1: Make Sure Staff Understands

Make sure your team 1) understands its seriousness and 2) is assigned concrete training and preparation tasks, broken down by role (biller, provider, front desk, etc).

**May Item #2: Empower Providers to Begin Dual Coding**  
**It's not just a matter of plugging their familiar "DSM-5" code into a crosswalk and popping up a corresponding ICD-10 code: many of the diagnosing practices themselves are changing.** Your providers need to feel confident choosing the correct ICD-10 code for all current clinical sessions (ie, dual coding).

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April: Schedule Testing & Update Your Practice

March: Update Your Contracts & Start Saving



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