

## PIMSY mental health EHR Newsletter – Aug B 2013 – Is It Time?

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Meanwhile, you can still join us live and ask questions of this ICD-10 expert by registering for upcoming webinars. Space is limited - reserve your spot now:

#### ICD-10 Series, Part 3, Impact Assessment:

Sept 24 (Tues) - 12-12:30 PM EDT  
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### Is It Time!?

You know that **the transition to electronic records is inevitable**. The world of business and even social relationships has become digital, and behavioral health is no exception. As much as we all continue to have a nostalgic connection to the hand-written word (including paper notes!), the age of managing, maintaining and organizing your practice on paper is coming to an end.

We all know it, and despite the resistance you may encounter from some of your providers who don't want to give up their traditional methods of documenting a session, there really are just a few questions that remain: is it time? **Is it time to transition to electronic records? If so, how do you choose the right one and get started?** Or, is it time to transition to a different system? Maybe you're already using an EHR, but it's no longer meeting your needs. [How do you let go of your legacy \(outdated\) program](#) and make the switch to a new system?

We'll be covering the issue of switching EHRs in the future, but for now, let's tackle the question of when and how to go electronic. Depending on your participation in Medicaid & Medicare, you may be subject to penalties for not using an EHR, [click here](#) for details. Use of an electronic system to avoid penalties creates a hard deadline -- otherwise, how do you decide when to take the plunge? ([click here](#) for more...)



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