

PIMSY mental health EHR Newsletter – May 2013 – Avoid Penalties

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Avoid Penalties: What to Do When

Changes to codes, amendments to laws, updates to deadlines: what's mandatory? What's not? How does it all apply to you as a mental & behavioral health care provider!? How do you get started and stay on top of everything? Let us help:

How do these issues apply to you as a mental and behavioral health care provider?

Aside from what your practice may be tackling on a local, state or individual level, there are several nationwide compliance issues that you need to be aware of now for mental & behavioral health, including substance abuse treatment: HIPAA (and the recent Omnibus revisions); ICD code changes; CPT bill code changes; and DSM diagnostic code changes.

How do you get started and stay on top of everything?

Planning Timeline

	Compliance Deadline	When to Start
CPT	1/1/13	2012
DSM	n/a	May 2013
HIPAA	9/23/13	asap
ICD	10/1/14	asap

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Electronic Health Records for Dietitians and Nutritionists!

The PIMSY team is very excited to join forces with Pat Grace-Farfaglia of Nutmeg Nutritionist! While [PIMSY](#) can be used by dietitians and nutritionists right now, as is, Pat is helping us design a special edition of PIMSY specifically for this field. We look forward to working with her and providing the same level of [robust electronic health records](#) (EHR), stellar support and specified functionality as we currently do for mental & behavioral health.

We'll be keeping you updated with our achievements and successes toward this end, but for now, want to share our exciting news and Pat's impressive biography:

Pat has her M.S. in Nutrition and Public Health, from Columbia University, Teachers College and a B.S. degree from Cornell University in Nutritional Sciences. She is a Certified Dietitian-Nutritionist in Connecticut and New York as well as a member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (formerly the American Dietetic Association) and a member of the Dietitians in Integrative and Functional Medicine practice group. She is Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Last year she was starting her private practice and looked for an EHR with practice management software to meet her needs. She found relatively few choices in EHR specifically for dietitians, particularly for a private practice in nutrition counseling. Pat also wanted an EHR that would be flexible enough for a consulting practice that served community agencies, schools, retail food and drug stores, and MRDD group homes. She felt that [PIMSY had many of the features that she needed](#). This began a collaboration to design a HIPAA compliant and nutrition informatics friendly EHR. PIMSY is a great way to maintain records, track accounts, and communicate with clients in one platform.

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