

March ICD-10 action item: 3.19.15  
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## Are You Ready for ICD-10?

It *does* apply to you as a mental / behavioral health, psychiatry or substance usage provider. You **do** need to code in ICD-10 for all dates of service 10/1/15 and beyond, or your reimbursements will mostly likely be denied. Experts are advising that practices have a financial cushion of six months to meet the payment backlog ICD-10 is expected to create! **Are you prepared?**

We'll be sending action items every month to help you meet the deadline: [click here](#) to receive the series automatically, and check out our [ICD-10 Resource Center](#) for more complimentary tools.

### March Item # 1: Update Your Contracts

Many current contracts specify that coding needs to be in ICD-9, and this needs to be updated to reflect the ICD date changes. You'll want to have your contracts updated to reflect that coding needs to be in ICD-9 for all dates of service through 9/30/15 - and needs to be in ICD-10 for all dates of service after 10/1/15.

### March Item # 2: Start Saving

Meet with your bookkeeper or CPA: explain to them that reimbursements may be backlogged as part of the ICD-10 change, and that experts are advising practices to have a six month cushion in place! See if there are any areas where you can minimize expenses, increase revenue, or otherwise build up savings to cover this transition period.

[Click here](#) to read the full article. To see how PIMSY mental health EHR can help you meet ICD-10 compliance, [contact us](#).



## Accurate, Reliable MU Consulting

Each Medicaid Eligible Provider (EP) can receive up to \$63,750 to help supplement the cost to improve their organization's IT infrastructure to a level that will support implementing a new Electronic Health Record system (EP = DO, MD or NP only).

[Contact us](#) to evaluate if your organization qualifies to participate in the Meaningful Use (MU) program, for details, and/or for a quote.

## Dr. King Corner

DSM-5 wisdom from the guy who wrote the book! We're honored to have Dr. Jason King, the expert on DSM-5, on our Advisory Board - and to share his comprehensive articles with you!

[Click here](#) to check out this month's feature: **Autism Spectrum Disorder.**

# DSM-5

To your success!



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