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What do you mean there aren't DSM-5 codes!?

DSM vs. ICD is a confusing topic - here are some complimentary resources to get you headed in the right direction

> **["The deadline for ICD-10 was pushed back to 2015, so the deadline for DSM-5 must be delayed too."](#)** FALSE: DSM-5 went into effect on 1/1/14, which means you should already be using it. While some payers may not scrutinize the diagnosis code specifiers to ensure that they support the CPT code(s), you certainly don't want to be using "DSM"/ICD codes that have been retired by DSM-5, such as 299.80. Click on the title above for details.

> **["I've been using DSM codes my whole career, but now I have to use ICD-10 codes, whatever that means."](#)** What's the relationship between DSM and ICD? How are they different? How are they the same? What are you required to keep track of as a provider? Click on the title above for details.

> **["So after I have to learn an entirely new code set for DSM-5, I'll have to start from scratch with ICD-10!?"](#)** No!! Although mental / behavioral health care providers such as psychologists and psychiatrists have the added challenge of incorporating DSM-5 in addition to ICD-10, the good news is that they cover both at the same time! Click on the title above for details.

Here's the scoop: there are not 4 code sets; there are only 2: ICD-9 and ICD-10.

These ICD codes are established by the World Health Organization (WHO), and are therefore an international standard of diagnosing conditions, including for mental / behavioral health and psychiatry. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) have mandated that mental health professionals follow the diagnosis guidance of DSM, a *guide to the ICD codes*, published by the American Psychiatric Association (APA).

This means that DSM is the mental / behavioral health care provider's (or psychiatrist's) Bible, the industry-accepted standard for diagnosing in our field, while at the same time being required by CMS. In a sense, DSM is its own code set, because it is endorsing some ICD codes while not accepting others. But the codes themselves are the same.

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