

ICD 10 Coding Guidelines for Authorization and Claims Submissions

By Type of Service

Starting August 14, 2015, L.A. Care will begin accepting and process authorization requests containing ICD-10 codes for services scheduled on or after October 1, 2015. ICD-9 codes will continue to be used for services scheduled and received through September 30, 2015. Some authorization may span the October 1, 2015 compliance date. The code set of the authorization will vary, depending on the scenario. This chart will help you determine what code set to use for your authorization or claim submission.

Type of Service	Begins	Ends	Authorization	Claims
Outpatient	Service before 9/30/2015	Before 9/30/2015	Authorization should be requested with ICD-9 code	Claim must be filed with ICD-9 codes.
Outpatient	Service on or after 10/1/2015	NA	Authorization should be requested with ICD 10 code	Claim must be filed with ICD 10 codes.
Outpatient, continued services when dates of service span Aug 2015 and October 2015 (such as Physical Therapy, Radiation Therapy, Chemotherapy, Home Health, DME rentals)	Services begins before 10/1/2015	Services end on or after 10/1/2015	Authorization requests must be submitted with both ICD-9 and 10.	Claims for these services need to be separately filed with the correct code sets for the dates(s) of service. Claims with both code sets, or missed claims will not be accepted.
Inpatient with a known discharge date	Admission begins before 10/1/2015	Known discharge before 10/1/2015	Authorization request must be submitted using ICD-9 Codes	Claims must be filed using ICD-9 codes
Inpatient with a known discharge date	Admission begins before 10/1/2015	Known discharge on or after 10/1/2015	Authorization requests must be submitted with both ICD-9 and 10	Claims for these services need to be filed with ICD-10 for all dates(s) of service.
Inpatient with an unknown_discharge date; remains inpatient after 10/1/2015	Admission begins before 10/1/2015	Remains inpatient during the transition	Authorization requests must be submitted with both ICD-9 and 10	Claims for these services need to be filed with ICD-10 for all dates(s) of service.