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ICD-10 Circular 2 of 2014

SUBMISSION OF AGGREGATED ICD-10 COMPLIANCE DATA 2014/2015

The health care industry is in the third and fourth phase of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, version 10 (ICD-10) implementation plan. Please refer to the *Notification on implementation of ICD-10 Phase 3 and 4.1* and *South African ICD-10 Technical User Guide* documents on the National Department of Health website at <http://www.health.gov.za/icddoc.php> for detail on the requirements of phase 3 and 4.1.

The Ministerial ICD-10 Task Team continues to monitor the ICD-10 implementation process across all healthcare stakeholder groups in the health information value chain. The monitoring process is intended to ensure that the implementation process is in line with legislation and the recommendations of the Task Team.

The ultimate purpose is to ensure that all schemes are complying at least with the minimum ICD-10 rejection requirements.

Please note that the submission of the aggregated data is mandatory. Your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 66(3) of the Medical Scheme Act 131 of 1998, in terms of which any medical scheme which fails to furnish the Registrar with the prescribed documentation shall be liable to pay a penalty of R1 000 (one thousand Rand) for every day for which the failure continues. Penalties will be imposed on all schemes who fail to meet the deadlines.

The submission deadlines for 2014 as per Circular 24 of 2014 released by the Council for Medical Schemes on 6 May 2014, titled 'New submission dates of aggregated ICD-10 compliance data' were previously indicated as:

- January-June 2014 data due by 15 August 2014
- July-December 2014 data due by 13 February 2015

It has come to the attention of the Ministerial ICD-10 Task Team that further clarity and discussion on the new compliance data specification is required. Medical schemes and administrators further require at least 3 months for system programming.

As such the submission of compliance data to the Council for Medical Schemes on 15 August 2014 is not feasible. The next date of submission is therefore 13 February 2015 and will be required to include compliance data for dates of service 1 January to 31 December 2014.

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