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**NOTICE TO ALL HEALTHCARE STAKEHOLDERS**  
**NOTIFICATION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ICD-10 PHASE 3 AND**  
**PHASE 4.1: 01 JULY 2014**

You are hereby notified that the implementation of the updated International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th edition (ICD-10) Master Industry Table (MIT) as published on 01 January 2014 by the National Department of Health (NDOH) will be effective from 1 July 2014. The updated MIT version is available in CSV and excel format on the Department of Health website at <http://www.health.gov.za/icddoc.php>.

Implementation of ICD-10 phase 3 commenced in 2006. All outstanding phase 3 validations will commence on 01 July 2014; this will include technical validation of all secondary ICD-10 codes and mandatory use of External Cause Codes (V01.– to Y98) together with injury and poisoning codes (S00.– to T98.–), the validation of dagger & asterisk and sequelae coding rules. Furthermore, the implementation of the ICD-10 phase 4.1 will commence 1 July 2014. This phase allows for the first step of clinical validations of ICD-10 codes with the aim of more accurate coding to be done for age and gender specific diagnoses. Further information regarding the details of phase 4.1 are available on the Department of Health website at <http://www.health.gov.za/icddoc.php>.

Please note that the compulsory submission of ICD-O (morphology coding) has been postponed and will thus not be implemented on 01 July 2014 as previously indicated. A new implementation date will be communicated in due course. Those who are already using morphology codes should however continue to do so.

For the purpose of claims reimbursement, please note that the ICD-10 validation/rejection decisions must be based on the date of service.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the National Department of Health at [icd10@health.gov.za](mailto:icd10@health.gov.za).

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