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ICD-10 ... At Last

Statement from AHIMA CEO Lynne Thomas Gordon, MBA, RHIA, CAE, FACHE, FAHIMA, on the new code set

NEW ORLEANS – Sept. 28, 2015 – “Following years of training, testing and collaboration, October 1 will be a momentous day for the healthcare industry and the patients we serve when the ICD-10-CM/PCS code set makes its long-awaited debut. As an active leader, supporter and advocate for ICD-10, AHIMA is pleased that the greater detail inherent in the code set will reverse the trend of deteriorating health data and tell a more complete and accurate patient story.

Not only will the data more effectively measure quality, safety and efficacy of care, it will reduce fraud – making sure that healthcare dollars are used most efficiently. ICD-10 will enhance the value of information for population and public health and research. Ultimately, this will lead to improved patient care and better health outcomes at reduced cost.

As always, AHIMA – with 87 years of experience and leadership in health information management – is here to be a resource so all stakeholders can fully benefit from a modern and robust coding system that can meet 21st century health challenges.”

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