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TO: Physicians  
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FROM: Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director, Office of Health Services

RE: Preauthorization's for Physicians and ICD-10 Implementation

**NOTE: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal**

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The International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD-10) implementation is moving forward. Medicaid will begin accepting ICD-10 diagnosis and surgical procedure codes on October 1, 2015. Therefore, all current physician pre-authorizations using ICD 9 diagnosis codes and surgical procedure codes that span beyond September 30, 2015, will be terminated on September 30, 2015. The provider must make another request for the pre-authorization for the period of time beyond September 30, 2015, using the ICD 10 diagnosis codes and surgical codes. Please submit your new request for your preauthorization as soon as possible with the appropriate ICD 10 codes.

Should you have any questions regarding this transmittal, you may contact Ami Page, Health Policy Analyst for the Physicians Program. She may be reached at [aminata.page@maryland.gov](mailto:aminata.page@maryland.gov) or you may contact her at 410-767-1462.