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Community First Choice Transmittal No. 3
Home and Community Based Options Waiver Transmittal No. 6
Living at Home: Maryland Community Choices Transmittal No. 32
Waiver for Older Adults Transmittal No. 43
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TO: Home and Community Based Options Waiver, Community First Choice, and Increased Community Services Providers

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

RE: Maryland Medical Assistance Program ICD-10 Implementation Policy

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

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. Beginning October 1, the Department will deny claims containing codes not coded to the highest level of specificity (also known as "header codes" or "category codes").

The Department is currently in the process of updating manuals, policy guides, and regulations to include ICD-10 codes and language where appropriate. These updates will be published in advance of October 1.

For the Home and Community Based Options Waiver, Community First Choice program, and the Increased Community Services program, the ICD-10 code Z598 will replace the ICD-9 codes V608 and V609. Please use ICD-10 code Z598 on all claims starting October 1. Providers who enter billing through ISAS or LTSS should continue the same process and are not impacted by this change.

We encourage all providers to test with the Department as soon as possible. In order to test, providers must email dhmh.icd10@maryland.gov.

For more information about ICD-10 implementation in Maryland, or if you would like to sign up for the list-serv to receive ICD-10 updates as they become available, please visit: dhmh.maryland.gov/icd10info.