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DSM 5 and ICD-10

Community Care is sending this Provider Alert as an update to Provider Alert #6 dated 08-27-2013 regarding changes to the implementation dates of the new code sets, ICD-10 and DSM 5.

ICD-10

Due to the Federal delay of ICD-10, Community Care will also delay the implementation of ICD-10 until October 1, 2015. Community Care will require all entities billing Community Care to submit claims using the new ICD-10 codes for services with a service date of October 1, 2015 or later. For claims with dates of service occurring prior to October 1, 2015, the ICD-9 code set must be used.

DSM-5

While the DSM-5 was published in May, 2013, there are no Federal mandates associated with using these diagnostic definitions. Community Care had hoped to coordinate the implementation of DSM-5 and ICD-10, but given the delay in ICD-10, Community Care plans to require only a primary behavioral health diagnosis beginning on January 1, 2015. Because we will no longer require a functioning scale, providers will no longer be required to submit Global Assessment of Functioning or “GAF” scores upon authorization.

Regardless of whether providers use DSM-IV or DSM-5 in their practices, all diagnoses should be submitted to Community Care with the corresponding ICD-9 code starting on January 1, 2015. If a member has a serious medical illness, providers should submit that information to us also using an ICD-9 code. We will continue to collect diagnoses using ICD-9 codes until the Federally-mandated shift to ICD-10 on October 1, 2015.

Community Care will issue more specific information for providers regarding the full implementation of ICD-10 in advance of the October 1, 2015 start date.