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Memorandum

Date: May 23, 2014

To: Data Submitters

From: Lynda Lehing
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Subject: 2014 Data Submittal Guides Effective Date Delayed

Since the implementation from ICD-9 to ICD-10 has been delayed, the Arkansas Department of Health is delaying the effective date of the 2014 Inpatient and ED Data Submittal Guides from October 1, 2014 to January 1, 2015. The fourth quarter of 2014 will be submitted according to the data specifications as outlined in the 2011 Inpatient Data Submittal Guide and the 2012 Emergency Department Data Submittal Guide and is due March 1, 2015. The first quarter of 2015 will be submitted according to the data specifications in the 2014 Inpatient and Emergency Department Data Submittal Guides and is due May 10th. Also, please continue to use the ICD-9-CM coding until further notice.

The Hospital Data Section Team will be ready to accept test data submissions for the 2014 Data Submittal Guides by October 1, 2014. Please contact the Analyst that processes your organization's data submissions when you are ready to send in test data submissions or if you have any further questions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.