

# Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	DEPT OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	12 VAC 30-95
Regulation title	Standards Established and Methods Used for Fee-for-Service Reimbursement
Action title	Update References to ICD-9 (2015)
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## Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

This action updates references in DMAS' regulations from the International Classification of Diseases (ICD), 9<sup>th</sup> edition to the 10<sup>th</sup> edition in compliance with Public Law 113-93; Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014, section 212, effective with claims dates of services on or after October 1, 2015.

### Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

I hereby approve the foregoing Agency Background Summary with the attached amended regulations, Update References to ICD-9 (12 VAC 30-95-5) and adopt the action stated therein. I certify that this final exempt regulatory action has completed all the requirements of the *Code of Virginia* § 2.2-4006(A)(4)(c), of the Administrative Process Act.

_8/15/2014	for Cynthia B. Jones/LN
Date	Cynthia B. Jones, Director
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### Legal basis

Please identify the state and/or federal legal authority to promulgate this proposed regulation, including (1) the most relevant citations to the Code of Virginia or General Assembly chapter number(s), if applicable, and (2) promulgating entity, i.e., agency, board, or person. Your citation should include a specific provision authorizing the promulgating entity to regulate this specific subject or program, as well as a reference to the agency/board/person's overall regulatory authority.

The *Code of Virginia* (1950) as amended, § 32.1-325, grants to the Board of Medical Assistance Services the authority to administer and amend the Plan for Medical Assistance. The *Code of Virginia* (1950) as amended, § 32.1-324, authorizes the Director of DMAS to administer and amend the Plan for Medical Assistance according to the Board's requirements. The Medicaid authority as established by § 1902 (a) of the *Social Security Act* [42 U.S.C. 1396a] provides governing authority for payments for services.

The 113<sup>th</sup> Congress adopted Public Law 113-93, Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014, section 212, providing that mandatory use of the tenth editions of the International Classification of Diseases, Clinical Modification, and the International Classification of Diseases, Procedure Coding System, not take effect before October 1, 2015. This action complies with this mandate and is therefore exempt, under the authority of the *Code of Virginia* §2.2-4006(A)(4)(c), from the public comment requirements of the Administrative Process Act.

#### Substance

Please briefly identify and explain the new substantive provisions, the substantive changes to existing sections, or both where appropriate. (Provide more detail about these changes in the "Detail of changes" section.) Please be sure to define any acronyms.

The state-only regulation modified by this action is: Standards Established and Methods Used for Fee-for-Service Reimbursement, General Definitions (12 VAC 30-95-5).

The International Classification of Diseases is written by the World Health Organization and the National Center for Healthcare Statistics (NCHS). The tenth edition replaces the currently used ninth edition which is referenced in DMAS' regulations. The ICD-10 has two parts: Clinical Modifications and Procedure Coding System. Both parts are covered by this action. DMAS will continue to require that providers use the ninth edition on their claims with dates of service up through September 30, 2015. Conversion to the tenth edition will take effect for all claims with dates of service beginning October 1, 2015.

# Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

These changes do not strengthen or erode the authority or rights of parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; nor encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents. It does not strengthen or erode the marital commitment.