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# PHYSICIAN

## NEWS BRIEF

### BUSINESS UPDATES

#### Preparing for ICD-10 Transition

Another friendly reminder that the ICD-10 code set will be required beginning Thursday, October 1, 2015. There is still time to prepare for the transition. The AHIMA: OptimizeHIT ICD-10 Training platform is available with specialty specific self-learning modules. There are several ways to access the tool.

1. Directly through EPIC: Click the EPIC button in the top left>Links>Ahima ICD-10 Training
2. Access through any web browser: <https://covenantmc.optimizehit.com>
3. Download the mobile app for IOS or Android: OptimizeHIT

User name is the email address that is on file in the Medical Staff Office. Password is "Medicine" or "medicine". You will be prompted to change your password on your first log in. Log In credentials are the same however you access the platform. CME credits are available through the platform for modules that are completed. If you have any questions, Kimberly or Cathy in the HIM incomplete area, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor ECC building 583.4100 are available to help.

Another resource is the [www.cms.gov](http://www.cms.gov) website and search under ICD 10 clinical concepts. There are multiple specialty specific guides available.

ICD-10 will be a big change for most of us. It will affect documentation, coding, billing, and ordering of tests. The best way to successfully transition and minimize any disruptions is to prepare early.

#### Dr. Ansari to Assume position of Medical Director of Pulmonary & Critical Care

Effective October 1, 2015, Dr. Thomas Damuth will begin to transition the responsibilities as Pulmonary and Critical Care Medical Director over to Dr. Farhan Ansari. This transition will take place October 1 – December 31.

On January 1, 2016, Dr. Ansari will assume all responsibilities as Pulmonary and Critical Care Medical Director. Dr. Damuth will retain Medical Directorship for Respiratory Care and will continue to be active in a purely clinical position within the Covenant Pulmonary and Critical Care Associates Practice.

For further detail regarding this transition please contact Jamie Furbush, Director of Inpatient Practices at 583.4016 and/or Matt Campbell, Director of Specialty Practices at 583.7537.

### EMR UPDATES

#### ICD-10 Assistance

There will be Covenant staff in the physician lounges on October 1 & 2 to provide assistance with the initial transition to ICD-10. They will be available at the Cooper Lounge from 8am to 10am and the Harrison Lounge from 10 am to 12noon. Please direct any questions or concerns to "EMR Support" on Vocera or Incomplete Charting at 583.4100.

#### Use of Disclaimers in the Electronic Medical Record

We have been seeing a rise in the use of disclaimers at the end of dictated reports and reports completed using M\*Modal Fluency Direct speech recognition. These include statements such as:

- "Due to possible errors in transcription, there may be errors in documentation"
- "Due to voice recognition software, sound alike and misspelled words may be contained in the documentation"
- "I am not responsible for errors in transcription"

Such disclaimers are not recognized by CMS and have no legal standing. The provider is responsible for what is entered in the medical record. It is your responsibility to review and correct any information entered in the EMR, whether it is dictated, typed, through the use of templates, or the use of speech recognition software. By signing the documentation, you are stating that you have done this.