

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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ICD-10 prior authorizations to begin in June for service dates October 1, 2015, or after

Beginning June 1, 2015, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Medicaid will begin accepting ICD-10 coded prior authorization requests for effective periods of October 1, 2015, and later.

For <u>existing</u> approved prior authorizations coded in ICD-9 whose effective period spans the ICD-10 date of **October 1, 2015**, there is no need to obtain another authorization that is coded in ICD-10. This also applies for new prior authorization requests whose effective period spans **October 1, 2015**. For example, if a durable medical equipment wheelchair rental authorization coded with ICD-9 was approved for the effective period of **April 1, 2015** – **April 1, 2016**, this authorization will still be valid for claims filed using ICD-10 diagnosis codes with beginning dates of service of **October 1, 2015**, and later.

If you have questions about this communication, received this fax in error or need assistance with any other items, call Provider Services at **1-855-661-2028**.