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To: Executive Directors, Local Mental Health Authorities
Executive Director, North Texas Behavioral Health Authority
Executive Director, ValueOptions, Inc.
Executive Director, Texas Council of Community Centers

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Re: Implementation of International Classification of Diseases Diagnostic Code

This broadcast message is to provide communication related to the implementation of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10) Diagnostic Codes. Effective October 1, 2015 the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare services (CMS) will require all providers to use ICD-10 diagnostic codes for all services provided. Providers will continue to use ICD-9 codes will be for services rendered prior to October 1, 2015.

All Local Mental Health Authorities (LMHAs) and the Local Behavioral Health Authority (North Texas Behavioral Health Authority) are required to update the individual's diagnosis using the appropriate ICD-10 code when their authorization expires (on or after October 1, 2015). The Clinical Management for Behavioral Health Services (CMBHS) will not migrate the ICD-10 diagnostic code and providers must batch the new diagnostic code into the Client Assignment and Registration (CARE) system.

Please direct any questions regarding the implementation of ICD-10 Diagnostic Codes to Kenneth Placke, LCSW at 512-206-5018 or kenneth.placke2@dshs.state.tx.us.