



The HHS implementation deadline is **October 1, 2015**. Further details explaining the change can be accessed here: <http://www.ama-assn.org/amednews/2012/04/09/gvsc0412.htm>. As of **April 1, 2013** NQF requires ICD-10 codes for all new submissions, measures undergoing endorsement maintenance and measures due for annual update.

Requirements

1. A statement of intent for the selection of ICD-10 codes, chosen from the following:
 - Goal was to convert this measure to a new code set, fully consistent with the intent of the original measure.
 - Goal was to take advantage of the more specific code set to form a new version of the measure, but fully consistent with the original intent.
 - The intent of the measure has changed.
2. Excel spreadsheet, including:
 - Full listing of ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes, with code definitions
 - The conversion table (if there is one)
3. Description of the process used to identify ICD-10 codes, including:
 - Names and credentials of any experts who assisted in the process
 - Name of the tool used to identify/map to ICD-10 codes
 - Summary of stakeholder comments received

New Measures or Measures Undergoing Maintenance

Include ICD-10 codes in Numerator Details, Denominator Details, and/or Exclusion Details as appropriate.

Requirement 1 is satisfied by including one of the sentences:

- In the documentation of Requirement 3 for new measures and measures undergoing maintenance.

Requirement 2 is satisfied by attaching Excel files at data field **S.2b. Data Dictionary or Code Table**.

Requirement 3 can be documented in the Validity section, data field **2b2.2.** in the **Measure Testing Submission Form**. If ICD-10 testing results are available, enter those into the Validity section at data field **2b2.3.** in the **Measure Testing Submission Form**. If necessary, document a Web page URL or attach a Word or PDF file in the data field **A.1. Supplemental Materials**.

Annual Update

Include ICD-10 codes (with definitions) in Numerator Details, Denominator Details, and/or Exclusion Details as appropriate.

Requirement 1 is satisfied by an entry in the **Release Notes** section of the Annual Update Form.

Requirement 2 is satisfied by attaching Excel files at data field **S.2b. Data Dictionary or Code Table**.

Requirement 3 (Word or PDF) must be e-mailed to measuremaintenance@qualityforum.org when submitting the Annual Update.

Guidance

http://www.qualityforum.org/Publications/2010/10/ICD-10-CM/PCS_Coding_Maintenance_Operational_Guidance.aspx