



Date: February 23, 2024

To: Community Living Assistance and Supports Services
Case Management and Direct Services Agencies
Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities Program Providers
Home and Community-based Services Program Providers
Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with an Intellectual Disability
or Related Conditions Program Providers
Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authorities
Texas Home Living Program Providers

Subject: Information Letter No. 2024-04
Changes to HHSC-Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related
Conditions List (Replaces IL 2021-44)

Beginning Oct. 1, 2023, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) implemented the 2024 annual update to the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision*, (ICD-10) code set, which includes new and revised ICD-10 diagnostic codes.

Because of the updates, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) revised the HHSC-Approved Related Conditions List for Persons with Related Conditions List to remove the ICD-10 diagnosis codes that are no longer valid and include new corresponding ICD-10 diagnoses codes. Here is the link to the updated [ICD-10 codes](#).

List of ICD-10 Related Conditions Codes Changes

The following ICD-10 diagnoses codes are no longer valid and were deleted from the HHSC-Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions List.

Deleted Codes (replaced by more specific new codes):

G20	Parkinson’s disease
Q750	Craniosynostosis

G20	Parkinson's disease
E798	Other disorders of purine and pyrimidine metabolism

Instructions

All Intellectual Disability/Related Conditions Assessments (ID/RCs) and claims must be submitted using an individual's valid ICD-10 diagnostic code. To ensure there is no lapse in an individual's program eligibility or denial of claims, program providers and Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authorities (LIDDAs) must comply with the following:

- All ID/RCs with effective dates prior to October 1, 2023, must be submitted using the ICD-10 2023 code set.
- All ID/RCs with effective dates on or after October 1, 2023, must be submitted using the ICD-10 2024 code set.
- All claims for service with effective dates prior to October 1, 2023, must be submitted using the ICD-10 2023 code set.
- All claims for service with effective dates on or after October 1, 2023, must be submitted using the ICD-10 2024 code set.

If an individual's current diagnosis is no longer valid, the program provider or LIDDA must obtain an updated ICD-10 code from a physician who is attesting to the diagnosis. HHSC encourages program providers and LIDDAs to be proactive in obtaining an individual's ICD-10 diagnosis codes in order to avoid denial of claims or ID/RC submission.

Attached to this IL is a sample letter that a program provider or LIDDA may give a physician to explain HHSC's eligibility requirements regarding the inclusion of an individual's valid ICD-10 code on an ID/RC in order to receive long term supports and services.

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A program provider or LIDDA can refer to the HHSC-Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions List for a complete list of valid ICD-10 related conditions codes.

Questions about this IL may be emailed to the LTSS_Policy@hhs.texas.gov. In the subject line please use "Information Letter No. 2024-04."

Sincerely,

[Signature on file]

Michelle Erwin
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Medicaid and CHIP Services

SAMPLE PHYSICIAN LETTER

[date]

Dear Physician,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) requires its Medicaid contractors that provide intellectual disability waiver services to ensure valid ICD-10 codes are used on all diagnostic reassessments to establish ongoing eligibility of individuals receiving Medicaid services. As a result of updates in the ICD-10 2024 code set, you have at least one patient receiving services who no longer has a valid ICD-10 code that can be used to establish eligibility for waiver services funded by HHSC. If the individual's reassessment was completed on or after October 1, 2023, HHSC requires diagnostic assessments be submitted using the ICD-10 2024 code set.

To facilitate this transition, please provide the Medicaid contracted service provider documentation of the patient's updated valid ICD-10 2024 diagnosis code(s). This will allow the contracted service provider to include the correct information on the patient's waiver program assessment form, the Intellectual Disability/Related Conditions (ID/RC) Assessment form.

Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact LTSS_Policy@hhs.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

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Resource:
ICD-10 HHSC-Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions List