



# County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health

## INFORMATION NOTICE 14-08

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**Date:** April 3, 2014

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**To:** Department of Behavioral Health Staff  
Department of Behavioral Health Contract Agencies

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**From:** CaSonya Thomas, MPA, CHC, Director

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**Subject:** ICD-10 Implementation Delayed

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**Introduction** The implementation date of ICD-10 has been delayed, allowing providers more time to comply with requirements.

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**Background** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is in the process of implementing ICD-10 as ICD-9 has become outdated. ICD-10 will allow for increased specificity of diagnosis and help to improve quality of care, reporting, and payment processing. Implementation was originally scheduled to be effective on October 1, 2014.

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**New Compliance Date** The implementation date for ICD-10 has been pushed back to October 1, 2015. Department of Behavioral Health staff and Contractors should continue to prepare for ICD-10 implementation based on the new deadline.

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**Questions** Should you have any questions pertaining to this notice, please contact the Department of Behavioral Health, Office of Compliance at (909) 382-3083.

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