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## **CLIENT ALERT**

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### **UPDATE** on implementation of ICD-10.

CMS has announced that the expected ICD-10 compliance date will be **October 1, 2015**. In accordance with the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (Pub. L. No. 113-93) which was enacted on April 1, 2014, and which mandated that the Secretary may not adopt ICD-10 prior to October 1, 2015, CMS announced that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services expects to release an interim final rule in the near future that will include a new compliance date that would require the use of ICD-10 beginning October 1, 2015. Reportedly, the rule will also require HIPAA covered entities to continue to use ICD-9-CM through September 30, 2015.

As soon as the interim final rule is released, we will provide you a detailed analysis through our Client Alert. In the meantime, if you have questions regarding the expected interim final rule, or any health law matter, please contact Stephanie Ottenwess at <a href="mailto:sottenwess@ottenwess@ottenwess@ottenwesslaw.com">sottenwess@ottenwesslaw.com</a>.

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