

ICD-10 Code Policy & Procedures (For obtaining codes prior to October 1, 2015)

A. Policy

All Attendant Services Program participants must have a billable ICD-10 diagnosis code that relates to their need for attendant services.

The DAIL LTCCC Nurse shall obtain and record the ICD-10 code in the Attendant Services Program Assessment (ILA) in section 5A. #1 under Primary Diagnosis.

B. Definition

ICD-10 replaces the ICD-9 code sets and includes updated medical terminology and classification of diseases.

ICD-10 codes are a method of coding an individual's state of health and institutional procedures. ICD-10 codes provide more information per code and provide better support for care management, quality measurement and analytics. There is an improved ability to understand risk and severity using these codes.

The detail captured by ICD-10 can facilitate patient care coordination across settings and improve public health reporting and tracking.

ICD codes for the purpose of the Attendant Services Program must be related to the participant's need for attendant services. This means that the code must match or be closely related to the reason for attendant services eligibility. Example: A participant has had a long standing history of cardiac dysrhythmia and high blood pressure, but been experiencing functional limitations resulting from a gradual decline related to a severe and/or permanent disability.

ICD-9 code = 290.40

ICD-10 code = F501.50

For more information visit the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services:

http://cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/ProviderResources.html?gclid=CjgKEAjwuMmdBRDljdfi2_qQpxkSJADDCRwsZRbXpYFzq0w33x17g7OBDlyX3yJm02zF0tvFHERWZPD_BwE

C. Procedure

1. Initial Service Request

- A. The DAIL LTCCC Nurse will ensure that the current ICD-9 and 10 code relates to the Individual's need for attendant services and will use the code translator to obtain the ICD-10 code, if necessary.

The following sites may be used to look up codes:

- **ICD-9 Look up:** <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/staticpages/icd-9-code-lookup.aspx>
- **ICD-10 code look up:** <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/staticpages/icd-10-code-lookup.aspx>

The following site may be used to **translate** codes from ICD-9 to ICD-10:

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- B. If the DAIL LTCCC Nurse is unsure what diagnosis and ICD-9 and 10 code relates to the individual's need for attendant services, then the LTCCC Nurse shall contact the participant's primary care physician to obtain an ICD-9 and/or ICD-10 code that relates to their need for services. Some examples: Osteoporosis, Arthritis, Diabetes, Multiple Sclerosis. If the physician has an ICD-9 code, but no ICD-10 code, then the LTCCC Nurse can use the ICD-10 code look up.
- C. The DAIL LTCCC Nurse shall include the ICD-9 and ICD-10 code in section 5A. #1 Diagnoses, until the official change to ICD-10 on 10/1/15. After 10/1/15 only an ICD-10 code is needed.
- D. The DAIL Independent Living Services Consultant will enter the ICD-9 and 10 codes into the SAMS database in the care plan when processing the service authorization.

2. Reassessment/Change of Service Request

- A. If there has been a change in an individual's diagnosis related to the need for attendant services at the time of reassessment or during a significant change, the LTCCC Nurse will ensure that the current ICD-9 and 10 code relates to the individual's need for attendant services and will use the code translator to obtain the ICD-10 code.

The following sites may be used to look up codes:

- **ICD-9 Look up:** <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/staticpages/icd-9-code-lookup.aspx>
- **ICD-10 code look up:** <http://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/staticpages/icd-10-code-lookup.aspx>

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- B. If the DAIL LTCCC Nurse is unsure what diagnosis and ICD-9 and 10 code relates to the individual's need for services, then the LTCCC Nurse shall contact the participant's primary care physician to obtain an ICD-9 and ICD-10 code that relates to their need for services. If the physician has an ICD-9 code, but no ICD-10 code, then LTCCC

Nurse can use the ICD-10 code look up.

The DAIL LTCCC Nurse shall include the ICD-9 and ICD-10 code in Section 5A. #1 until the official change to ICD-10 on 10/1/15. After 10/1/15 only an ICD-10 code is needed.

- C. The DAIL Independent Living Services Consultant will enter the ICD-9 and 10 codes into the SAMS database in the care plan when processing the service authorization request.