

General Circular pursuant to the Health Insurance Law (No 11 of 2013) of the Emirate of Dubai

General Circular Number 03 of 2020 (GC 03/2020)

Subject of this General Circular	Upgrade of ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS Code Sets to Version 2018
Applicability of this General Circular	This Circular applies to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All service providers (Dubai and NE) enrolled with eClaimLink All HIPs (Insurers and TPAs)
Purpose of this General Circular	To inform the market for the upgrade of ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS code sets to version 2018
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Effective date of this General Circular	Immediately upon publication
Grace period for compliance	None

Objectives of this General Circular:

Upgrade of Code Sets

With effect from 00:00, 1 April 2020, all service providers are mandated to submit claims using 2018 versions of ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS. That is, claims with admission/encounter date as of 00:00, 1 April 2020 and after will submit 2018 codes. The new code sets are now posted on eClaimLink and accessible by clicking the following links:

- [ICD-10-CM](#)
- [CPT](#)
- [HCPCS Level II](#)
- [CPT code set change files from 2012 to 2018](#)

For re-submissions and reconciliations with admission/encounter claim date before 00:00, 1 April 2020, please continue to use 2012 codes. The cut-off date to use 2012 codes with admission/encounter claim date before 00:00, 1 April 2020 will be in compliance with eClaimLink [Standards Notice 03 of 2019 \(SN 03/2019\)](#)

Meanwhile, all service providers, insurers and TPAs who processes claims using ICD-10-CM, CPT and HCPCS are encouraged to begin reviewing their price lists promptly. The market is also reminded that the upgrade of the code sets is to simply enhance the accuracy of reporting diagnoses and services of claims and that any revisions of prices should remain similar to existing levels.

Note

The licenses to use CPT and HCPCS code sets are solely for the purpose of health insurance claims processing. This license does not include the use for provider internal HIS and clinical documentation of medical records in electronic and paper forms.

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