Diagnosis and Billing

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Revisiting
- International Classification of Diseases (ICD)
- Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM®)

ICD
- A disease classification system maintained by the World Health Organization since 1948
- Used for tracking both morbidity and mortality rates world-wide
- Used for billing of health care services in the U.S. including behavioral health
- ICD-9-CM uses up to five numeric characters to codify diseases; ICD-10-CM is alphanumeric
- Does not include current or extensive criteria for assessment and diagnosis

DSM
- A classification of mental disorders
- Used for clinical assessment and diagnosis
- “Maps” conditions listed in the DSM to the ICD code used for billing
- The DSM-5 includes mapping to both the ICD-9-CM (currently in use) and to the ICD-10-CM (scheduled for use in the U.S. beginning October 1, 2015)
- Includes diagnostic criteria and requires consideration of such clinical indicators as symptom severity and functional impairments necessary to determine diagnosis

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