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To: Acute Care Hospitals, Chief Executive Officers  
Acute Care Hospitals, Data Reporting Managers  
Acute Care Hospitals, Quality Improvement Managers

FROM: Eric Sheehan, J.D., Interim Director, Bureau of Health Care Safety and Quality

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RE: Primary Stroke Services: ICD-10 Code Conversion

The purpose of this memorandum is to communicate the change in data reporting by hospitals licensed as Primary Stroke Service (PSS) facilities as a result of the transition from ICD-9 to ICD-10 as the medical code set for medical diagnoses and inpatient hospital procedures.

The Department of Public Health ("Department") has done an analysis of the impact of this transition on the mandated reporting of certain stroke-related information by PSS hospitals. The Department works closely with Quintiles, formerly known as Outcome Sciences, and contracts with Quintiles to collect PSS-specific information on behalf of the Department. None of these reporting requirements will change as a result of the transition to ICD-10.

The attached table lists the ICD-10 codes with reference to the previous, corresponding ICD-9 codes. **Please refer to the new ICD-10 codes for reporting purposes as of October 1, 2015.**

For additional information, please feel free to review the guidance on Quintiles' website: <https://qi.outcome.com/login.html>. Any inquiries to the Department may be directed to Phil Mello at [phil.mello@state.ma.us](mailto:phil.mello@state.ma.us).