

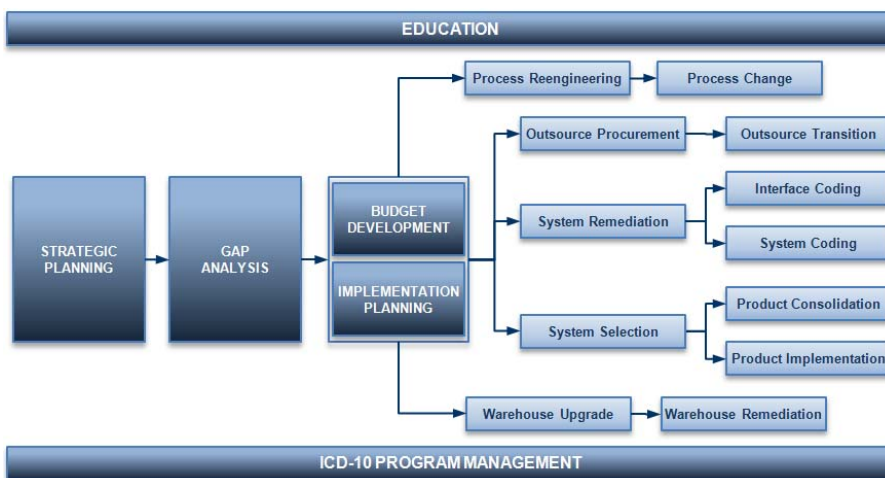
# ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin

A Monthly Newsletter from the NCHICA ICD-10 Taskforce

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## Jumpstart ICD-10 Compliance

By now, healthcare organizations should be well underway in achieving compliance with ICD-10. We are just over three years away from the cut-over date for ICD-10 and have reached the point in the NCHICA/WEDI ICD-10 timeline where organizations should be wrapping up gap analysis and planning activities and proceeding with implementation. Where does your organization stand?



If your organization has not conducted a gap analysis, then do you really even know how far behind you are? There is certainly a lot of work to be done to achieve compliance, but until your organization completes its gap analysis, you don't really know where the starting and finishing lines are. How will you complete the race?

### ***The Importance of a Gap Analysis***

A gap analysis keeps organizations focused on the compliance process and removes delays and false starts from the equation. The role of the gap analysis is to: (1) determine the organization's ability to achieve, effectively administer, and support a major initiative, and (2) assess the organization's current processes before beginning an implementation.

**RED ALERT  
COUNTDOWN  
1,096 Days**

*(As of September 30, 2010)*

**NCHIMA Charlotte  
Region ICD-10  
Implementation and  
Coding Update**

**November 5, 2010  
Charlotte, NC**

Sponsored by NCHIMA.

For further details:

<http://www.nchima.org/calendar/calendar.html>

**ICD-10 Implementation  
Training**

**November 18, 2010  
Raleigh, NC**

Sponsored by AAPC. For further details:

<http://www.aapc.com/ICD-10/locate-bootcamp-info.aspx?id=0ab4d205-c998-4f21-98e3-bdbb00c1295a>

**Mark Your Calendar:  
AHIMA ICD-10 Academy  
June 1-3, 2011  
Raleigh, NC**

*Please see the CMS ICD-10 website at [www.cms.gov/ICD10](http://www.cms.gov/ICD10) for resources to help you prepare for the ICD-9 to ICD-10 change.*

*For additional information and educational opportunities, please visit the NCHICA website at [www.nchica.org](http://www.nchica.org) and click on **ICD-10**.*

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