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## Circular 21 of 2013: Invitation for Comment - Prescribed Minimum Benefits Coded List

The publication of the updated ICD-10 code Master Industry Table (MIT) necessitated the Clinical Review Committee to review the CMS PMB ICD-10 Coded list published in 2008.

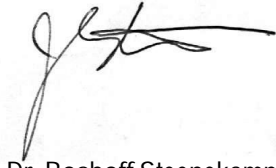
The Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) invites all stakeholders to comment on the 2013 PMB ICD-10 Coded list.

Please note the following important facts:

- ICD-10 codes alone are seldom adequate to correctly define PMB conditions since the PMB regulations define PMB benefits as a diagnosis with specified severity, in relation to specified treatment. The presence of an ICD-10 code which appears on the coded list is therefore not always sufficient to confirm PMB benefits and medical schemes may require additional clinical information to verify a PMB condition.
- The PMB ICD-10 Coded list is not legislation; it merely constitutes a basic guideline to identify possible PMB conditions. It should not be used as the final legal interpretation of PMB conditions.
- In the event of conflict between this interpretation codes and the definition of conditions set out in Annexure A to the regulations, the definition of conditions contained in the regulations will prevail.

The 2013 PMB ICD-10 Coded list is available on the CMS website at the following link:  
[http://www.medicalschemes.com/files/ICD10%20Codings/PMB\\_ICD\\_10Lst2013.xlsx](http://www.medicalschemes.com/files/ICD10%20Codings/PMB_ICD_10Lst2013.xlsx)

All comments must be submitted to Ronelle Smit before 10 June 2013.



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