RELEASE NOTES FOR CPRS INFORMATIONAL PATCH# OR*3.0*202

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

The purpose of this patch is to announce the availability of CPRS documentation for the HIPAA Code Set Versioning Project. The features are in the CPRS GUI v.22 (patch OR *3.0*173). These features will appear as soon as the corresponding Code Set Versioning patches from ancillary packages are released and installed on systems at your site. Because v.22 of the GUI has already been released nationally, there are no installation instructions for this patch.

The documents describing the CSV features in CPRS will be available from the anonymous directories at the following locations:

With the exception of the CPRS Help files, these documents will also be available on the VistA Documentation Library (VDL) at http://www.va.gov/vdl.

NEW FUNCTIONALITY

HIPAA Code Set Versioning (CSV)

Code set versioning (CSV Project) will modify VistA to comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accessibility Act (HIPAA). HIPAA stipulates that diagnostic and procedure codes used for billing purposes must be the codes that were applicable at the time the service was provided. The evaluation of ICD and CPT codes for validity as of a specified date is fully implemented in this release. The changes described below will take effect in CPRS when the other supporting CSV patches (ICD*18*6, ICPT*6*14, LEX*2*25, and IBD*3*51) are present. These changes will be apparent in the following scenarios:

Cover Sheet

• In the list of active problems, a "#" symbol will display next to the problem if that problem is associated with an ICD code that is inactive as of the current date. Clicking on this problem will display a dialog warning the user about the inactive code and encouraging correction via the Problems tab.

Problems Tab

- The "#" symbol will be displayed in the "Status" column next to problems associated with a currently inactive code. If any such problems are found, a message box will inform the user when the problem list first loads.
- When the user tries to enter a new problem, CPRS will allow the user to select only ICD codes that are active as of the current date. This applies both to the lexicon lookup and to the predefined list of selectable problems and categories.
- Before a user can take any action on an active problem that has an inactive ICD code, CPRS will first require the user to correct/update that code via the "Change" action.

Consults/Procedures

- The lexicon lookup for provisional diagnosis will allow only selection of items with an active ICD code as of the ordering date.
- Copying or changing existing orders containing a currently inactive ICD code for provisional diagnosis will prevent acceptance of the order until a new code is selected. The same applies to predefined quick orders containing an inactive ICD code as of the ordering date.
- If a user tries to Edit/Resubmit a consult or procedure request, CPRS will evaluate the ICD code associated with the original request and will require the code to be changed if it is currently inactive before the request can be resubmitted.

Encounter Form

- On the encounter form, users will be able to select only ICD and CPT codes (and modifiers) that were active as of the encounter date. This applies to the Visit Type, Diagnoses, and Procedures tabs.
- On the Diagnoses tab, items from the problem list associated with an ICD code that is inactive as of the encounter date will be flagged with a "#" symbol next to the code. Users will not be able to select these problems as diagnoses until they are corrected via the Problems tab.

Clinical Reminders

- Reminder taxonomy definitions track the adjacent lower and higher code values for each range of codes and also track changes to these values when a new code set is installed.
- Reminder taxonomy editing of range of codes uses new CSV API utilities to select active or inactive codes.
- Reminder taxonomy inquiry displays now include activation periods, adjacent lower and higher code values, and selectable status for the GUI.

- Dialog parameter setup for using taxonomies allows selectable diagnoses and selectable procedures to be selected that are active and inactive. The CPRS GUI will only allow selection of codes that are active on the encounter date.
- Reminder dialog editing of finding item and additional finding items allows access to codes that are active and inactive. The CPRS GUI will only use codes that are active on the encounter date.