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## Prepare Yourself for the January AHLTA 3.3.8 Update!

The 3.3.8 update to the AHLTA, the Military's ambulatory services electronic health record (EHR), will be released to the Services in January 2014. The update will enhance health care providers' access to data about beneficiaries and include the availability of the appropriate International Classification of Diseases, 10<sup>th</sup> Revision (ICD-10) codes (effective 1 October 2014), enhance Problem List Management, and add a new Diagnosis History List as well as Medication Reconciliation options with Med Recon reports. To educate users on the scope and use of the new AHLTA functionality, the Defense Health Clinical Systems (DHCS) In-Depth Training Team developed the *AHLTA 3.3.8 Updates and Enhancements Overview* course which is available at: [www.ehrknowex.com](http://www.ehrknowex.com).

### AHLTA 3.3.8 Updates and Enhancements Overview Course

The DHCS training materials for AHLTA 3.3.8 provide guidelines for working with the new enhancements in following areas:

#### *ICD-10 Code Implementation*

The DHCS training walks through the appropriate user actions when opening AHLTA 3.3.8 and updating previous templates post ICD-10 implementation (October 2014).

The Training highlights:

- AHLTA 3.3.8 automatically displays the diagnosis term as the new ICD-10 diagnosis term when a template with ICD-9 terms is loaded into an encounter. There are exceptions discussed in the training that will require manual updates.
- Template users should use the existing search feature in the AHLTA A/P Module for ICD-10 codes (after October 2014) to verify the converted ICD codes or find an ICD-10 code that is not automatically converted.
- Template users may update converted template codes by using Template Management to re-save the converted templates.

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Days Remaining to  
ICD-10 Conversion  
As of 1/1/2014

### Upcoming Events

**AHIMA Academy for ICD-10-CM/PCS: Building Expert Trainers in Diagnosis and Procedure Coding**

March 5-7, 2014

Boston, MA

<http://www.ahima.org/events/2014March-icd10academy-boston>

**AHIMA Academy for ICD-10-CM/PCS: Building Expert Trainers for Diagnosis Coding**

March 12-13, 2014

Chicago, IL

<http://www.ahima.org/events/2014march-CMacademy-chi>

**Leadership Advocacy Symposium and Hill Day**

March 17-18, 2014

Washington, D.C.

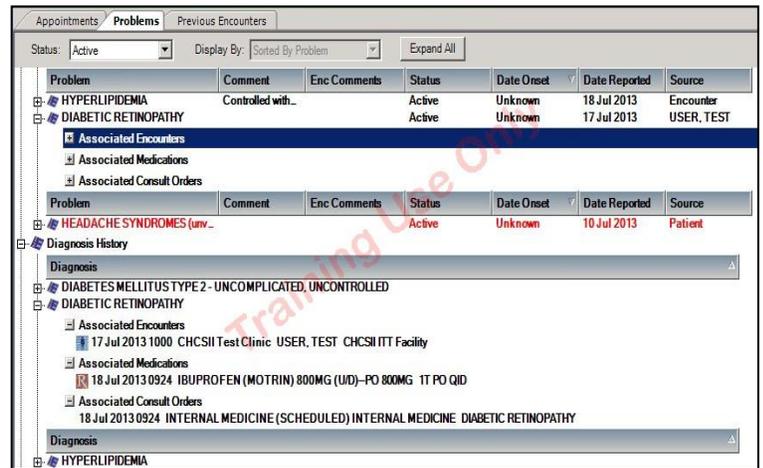
<http://www.ahima.org/events/2014March-leadership-Hillday-dc>

*Note that the links above are provided as informational resources only and do not constitute an endorsement of any non- Government site or entity.*

## Problem List Management

The AHLTA 3.3.8 update includes several features that will enhance problem list management. The following topics are covered in the DHCS training:

- New Diagnosis History List (Figure 1)
  - A complete history of all diagnoses that are assigned in a completed encounter or Telcon entry.
- Problem List Updates
  - New 'Add to Problem List?' field options in A/P and Telcon
  - Edit problem list options
  - Merge problems function
  - Update existing problem to ICD- 10 code description



Problem	Comment	Enc Comments	Status	Date Onset	Date Reported	Source
HYPERLIPIDEMIA	Controlled with...		Active	Unknown	18 Jul 2013	Encounter
DIABETIC RETINOPATHY			Active	Unknown	17 Jul 2013	USER, TEST
Associated Encounters						
Associated Medications						
Associated Consult Orders						
Problem	Comment	Enc Comments	Status	Date Onset	Date Reported	Source
HEADACHE SYNDROMES (unv...			Active	Unknown	10 Jul 2013	Patient
Diagnosis History						
DIABETES MELLITUS TYPE 2 - UNCOMPLICATED, UNCONTROLLED						
DIABETIC RETINOPATHY						
Associated Encounters						
Associated Medications						
Associated Consult Orders						
Diagnosis						
HYPERLIPIDEMIA						

Figure 1: New diagnosis history list located in 'Problems' folder

The training features screen shots to demonstrate how to use the new features, in addition to walking through several scenarios.

## Medication Reconciliation

The DHCS training provides guidance on the AHLTA enhancements supporting the Medication Reconciliation workflow, including the following features:

- "Manual" status in the "Origin" column for display of manually entered meds in the Meds Module (Replaced "OTC" column)
- New filter "Currently Active with 6 Months Expired"
- New 'Taking' column to annotate which medications patient is currently taking
- Additional print options to allow medication reconciliation in a variety of scenarios

The training utilizes screen shots to clearly show how to use the added functionality.

## Access DHCS AHLTA 3.3.8 Updates and Enhancements Overview Training



Figure 2: Access the DHCS Training through the AHLTA or ICD-Content areas under 'Documents'

The training slides are posted to the DHCS Knowledge Sharing Site (KSS) in both the AHLTA and the ICD-10 group content areas. (Figure 2)

- <http://www.ehrknowex.com/docs/DOC-2848>

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