



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Nick Coussoule, Chair
National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics
3311 Toledo Road
Hyattsville, MD 20782-2002

Dear Chair Coussoule:

Thank you for your letter recommending actions regarding adoption of the International Classification of Diseases, Version 11 (ICD-11). I appreciate the careful consideration the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) has given to this important subject.

The Department of Health and Human Services agrees that thoughtful consideration of the impact of a transition to ICD-11 on the healthcare industry and regular outreach and communications with the industry is critical when a new code set is available.

I look forward to our continued collaboration with the NCVHS as this important issue develops. Thank you for your leadership on this important topic.

Sincerely,

Xavier Becerra