

ICD-11 – Transforming patient data

Australia endorsed the adoption of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Eleventh Revision (ICD-11) at the World Health Assembly in 2019.

The Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority (IHACPA) is preparing to implement ICD-11 as a replacement for the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification (ICD-10-AM).

ICD-11 was developed by the World Health Organization (WHO) in collaboration with clinicians, statisticians, classification and IT experts from around the world including Australia.

The benefits of ICD-11



Improved accuracy, currency and detail

- Aligns with current clinical knowledge
- Provides more granular detail
- Features clustering of codes to describe and fully characterise clinical concepts
- Includes new chapters for diseases of the immune system, sleep-wake disorders and sexual health
- Integrates functioning properties



Digital first approach

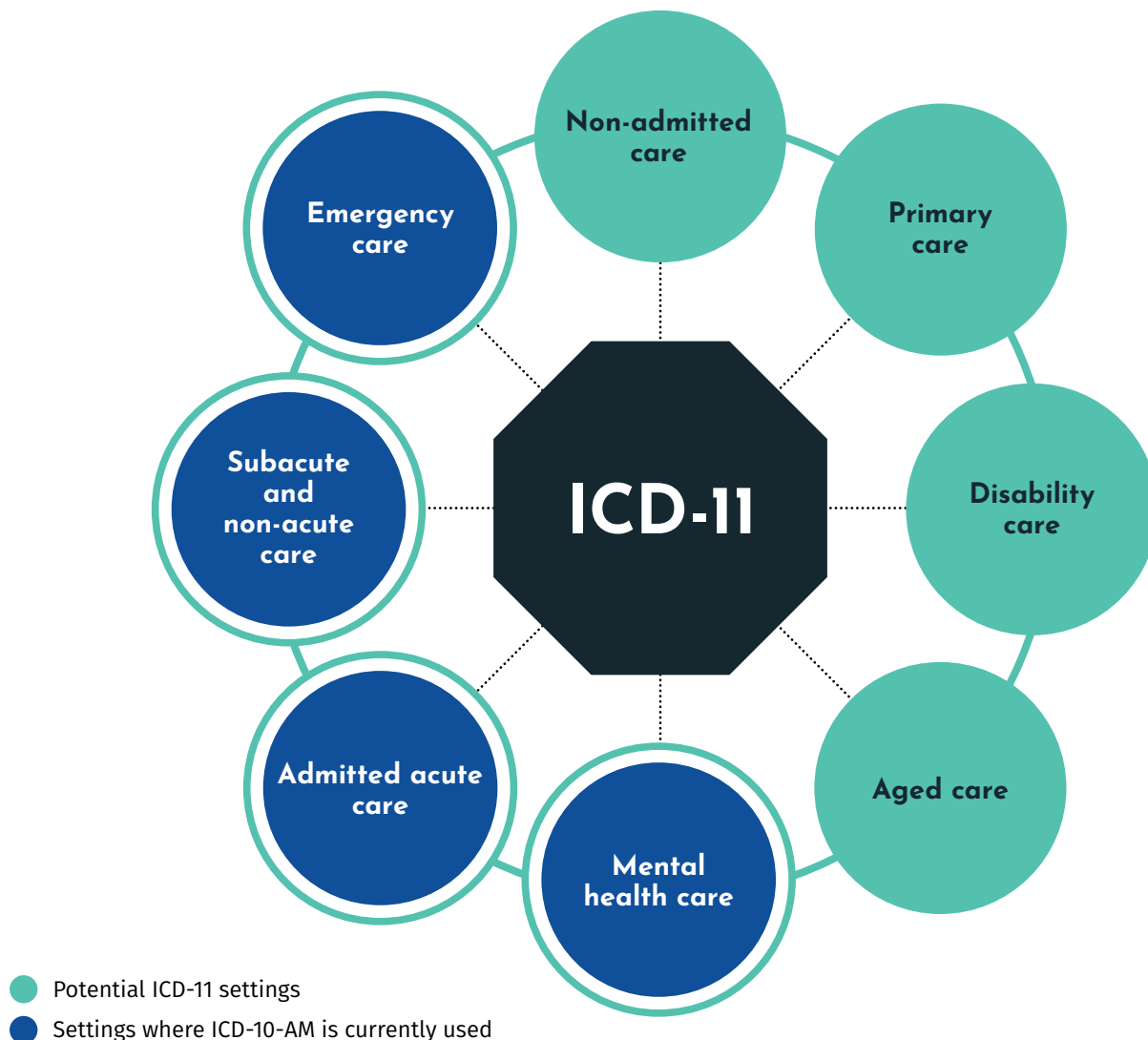
- Seamlessly integrates into health information systems and electronic health records
- Improves data management
- Supports natural language processing
- Offers a user-friendly interface
- Removes the need for hard copy classification books

Realising benefits before ICD-11 implementation

Some benefits of ICD-11 can be achieved now. IHACPA has introduced cluster coding and commenced the classification modernisation project which includes redeveloping the Australian Classification Exchange platform.

ICD-11 at the centre of the patient journey

ICD-10-AM facilitates some interoperability across the patient care journey but its use is currently limited to a few care settings. ICD-11 has the potential to be used across all health care settings, enabling more seamless patient journey data.



ICD-11 is a major step towards improved data collection and collaboration among healthcare providers and policy makers, leading to better patient outcomes and a more efficient and effective healthcare system.

More information

For more information about preparing for ICD-11 implementation, visit:

- [ICD-11](#)
- [Cluster coding](#)

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