

To: Hospital Case Mix Liaisons
From: Claudine Williams, Deputy Director, MEDA
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Re: FY 2022 Inpatient, Outpatient and Psychiatric Data Submission Requirements, Production Schedule, and New Data Submission Server

This memorandum serves to inform hospitals of the revisions to the Inpatient, Outpatient and Psychiatric Data Submission Requirements (DSR) for FY 2022, the FY 2022 Production Schedule, and the new data submission site that will go live in July 2021.

FY 2022 Data Submission Requirements

Below details the changes that will go into effect in FY 2022 and the timing of when these changes will go into production. The following changes are applicable to the Inpatient, Outpatient and Psychiatric datasets.

1. New Edits:

- a. All newly adopted edits are highlighted in red in the FY 2022 DSR.
- b. All new errors will be warnings in the test site beginning August 1st, then change to errors that count toward the error threshold in the production site on October 1, 2021.

2. **Patient County of Residence:** This is no longer a required variable. HSCRC will use the zip code (as is the current policy) to assign patient residency.

3. **Country of Origin:** Instead of a manually updated code set, it will be replaced with standard country codes (ISO 3166-1 Alpha-2). Code definitions can be found here: <https://www.iso.org/obp/ui/#home>

4. **Expected Payer Codes:** To reduce confusion among similar payer codes, HSCRC is implementing the following changes:

- a. Combine the following codes:
 - i. Blue Cross (04), HMO (12), Blue Cross National Capital Area (16), Blue Cross – Other State (17) with Commercial Insurance (05)
 - ii. Title V (03) with Other Government Programs (06)

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- iii. Donor (11) with Other (10)
- b. Add code for Behavioral Health Plans (19)

5. **Expected Health Plan Payer Codes:** To reduce confusion among similar health plan payers, the HSCRC is collapsing the various health plan products for one commercial health plan (for instance, CareFirst of Maryland (CFMI), CareFirst Blue Choice and CareFirst Group Hospitalization and Med. Servs Inc (GHMSI) into a single health plan group (i.e., CareFirst BlueCross Blue Shield).

6. **Accident Hour (Outpatient Only):** Instead of reporting the Accident Code and Hour in Data Item 34 in Record Type 1, the HSCRC will require hospitals to only report the accident hour in this field. The Accident Code will no longer be reported. Additionally, hospital will be required to report the associated accident codes and the date of the accident occurrence using the existing Occurrence Code variable (Data Item 149 in Record Type 3).

7. **Naming Convention for Data Submissions:** During the last Data Forum, HSCRC proposed a change to the naming convention for the monthly and quarterly data submissions to ensure every file has a unique name across hospitals and time. Since then, there had been upgrades to the FTP site (more on that below) which solves this issue at the source. Therefore, **HSCRC is no longer requiring the proposed naming convention.**

8. **DSR Implementation Plan:**

- a. **hMetrix Test Site**
 - i. Go live on August 1, 2021
 - ii. Accepts discharges on or after July 1, 2021
 - iii. Employs FY 2022 codes and rules
- b. **hMetrix Production Site**
 - i. FY 2021 codes and rules in effect until September 15, 2021 (for FY 2021 Q4 and FY 2022 July and August Monthly Submissions)
 - ii. FY 2022 codes and rules in effect beginning October 1, 2021 (for FY 2022 September Monthly and FY 2022 Q1 Submissions)

FY 2022 Production Schedule

Table 1 displays the production schedule for FY 2022

Table 1: FY 2022 Case Mix and Financial Reporting Due Dates

Dataset		Case Mix		Financials	Reconciliation Reports	
Submit to:		hMetrix		HSCRC	HSCRC	
Reporting Period	Mon/Qtr End date	Days from End Date	Due Date hMetrix	Due Date to HSCRC	Due Date to HSCRC	Variance Threshold
FY 2021 Q4						
April 2021 Monthly	4/30/2021	17	5/17/2021	6/1/2021	N/A	
April & May 2021 Monthly	5/31/2021	15	6/15/2021	6/30/2021		
April, May & June 2021 Monthly	6/30/2021	15	7/15/2021	7/30/2021		
Q4 Quarterly		61	8/30/2021	N/A	9/7/2021	2%
FY 2022 Q1						
July 2021 Monthly	7/31/2021	16	8/16/2021	8/30/2021	N/A	
July & August 2021 Monthly	8/31/2021	15	9/15/2021	9/30/2021		
Jul, Aug & Sept 2021 Monthly	9/30/2021	15	10/15/2021	11/1/2021		
Q1 Quarterly		60	11/29/2021	N/A	12/6/2021	2%
FY 2022 Q2						
Oct 2021 Monthly	10/31/2021	15	11/15/2021	11/30/2021	N/A	
Oct & Nov 2021 Monthly	11/30/2021	15	12/15/2021	12/30/2021		
Oct, Nov & Dec 2021 Monthly	12/31/2021	18	1/18/2022	1/31/2022		
Q2 Quarterly		60	3/1/2022	N/A	3/8/2022	2%
FY 2022 Q3						
Jan 2022 Monthly	1/31/2022	15	2/15/2022	3/2/2022	N/A	
Jan & Feb 2022 Monthly	2/28/2022	15	3/15/2022	3/30/2022		
Jan, Feb & Mar 2022 Monthly	3/31/2022	15	4/15/2022	5/2/2022		
Q3 Quarterly		62	6/1/2022	N/A	6/6/2022	2%
FY 2022 Q4						
April 2022 Monthly	4/30/2022	16	5/16/2022	5/31/2022	N/A	
April & May 2022 Monthly	5/31/2022	15	6/15/2022	6/30/2022		
April, May & June 2022 Monthly	6/30/2022	15	7/15/2022	8/1/2022		
Q4 Quarterly		60	8/29/2022	N/A	9/6/2022	2%

M = Monthly (previously known as Preliminary)

Q = Quarterly (previously known as Final)

New Data Submission Server

As was first discussed with the industry during the FY 2021 Q1 Data Forum held in December 2020, the St. Paul Group (SPG) is proud to introduce Repository Data Submissions (RDS). RDS will replace the existing Repliweb system that is currently being used to submit the monthly HSCRC Case Mix Data. RDS will offer an easy-to-use web interface much like Repliweb, but also allow users to automate their data submission process by adding additional submission methods beyond the web interface. SPG anticipates going live with RDS beginning in July 2021, at the start of the new fiscal year. Full migration and rollout details will be outlined at the HSCRC Q4 Data Meeting on June 11, 2021. In the meantime, be on the lookout for emails from the Operations team at SPG containing account credentials for the new system. You should receive two emails. The first one with notification that an account was created, and the second will be a secure email directing the user to an online portal to retrieve the message. Please direct any questions or concerns regarding this migration to Jen Vogal (Jen.Vogel@thestpaulgroup.com).

Thank you again for your hard work and continued partnership with the HSCRC.

If you have any questions regarding the information in the memo or regarding the submission of monthly and quarterly hospital discharge data, please contact Claudine Williams (claudine.williams@maryland.gov) or Oscar Ibarra (Oscar.ibarra@maryland.gov).