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Did You Know?

Inpatient Discharges with Influenza Diagnosis in 2008 reported by Texas Hospitals

Patient Age	Jan-Mar 2008	Apr - June 2008	July - Sept 2008	Total
0-17	2,011	169	32	2,212
18-44	726	37	15	778
45-64	869	67	7	943
65+	1,834	74	17	1,925
All	5,440	347	71	5,858

Source: 2008 THCIC Public Use Data File

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Urgent! Change in Schedule (Hospitals)

Due to the migration to the new THCIC_{System}, System13's computer system will be down from October 1st to October 11th. Please note the change in schedule for the following:

1st Quarter 2009 Certification

File download

1st Quarter 2009 certification files **MUST** be downloaded no later than **September 30th**. The 1q09 certification file has been ready for download since September 1st. To date, 35% have not yet downloaded this file.

Corrections

1st Quarter 2009 certification corrections **MUST** be completed and submitted no later than **September 30th** if your hospital needs to make corrections.

Comment upload

1st Quarter 2009 certification comments should be sent to System13 via online upload by **September 30th**. 1q09 Certification comments not uploaded by September 30th must be sent via CD or diskette by the December 1st deadline to System13 by mail at:

THCIC Project Manager
System13
1648 State Farm Blvd
Charlottesville, VA 22911

2nd Quarter 2009 data corrections

Beginning October 1st hospitals will no longer be able to use the Data Correction Software (DCS) to correct inpatient data. Hospitals should submit/upload any DCS corrected data to System13 by **September 30th**. Data corrections may resume on October 12th using **WebCorrect**. All 2q09 corrections must be completed by November 1st.

KeyClaim

Hospitals using KeyClaim to manually enter patient data for upload will no longer be able to use this software program effective October 1st. Data entered into KeyClaim should be uploaded by **September 30th**. WebClaim (KeyClaim's replacement) will become available on October 12th for manual data entry of the THCIC data.

Inpatient 837 file submissions

September 30th is the last day to upload an Inpatient 837 file to System13 until October 12th. Submitters may resume submitting Inpatient 837 files on October 12th in the new THCIC_{System} at <https://thcic.system13.com>. Notify your submitter.

System Down

System13 and the THCIC_{System} will be down from October 1st through October 11th while the new data processes are migrated to the new web-based system.

UPIN No Longer Accepted

The National Provider Identifier (NPI) has been required to be submitted for physicians or other health practitioners since third quarter 2008 discharges, unless a State License Number or UPIN is submitted. CMS has required that the National Provider Identifier be submitted for physicians and health practitioners since May 2007 and by small health plans since May 2008.

Beginning with first quarter 2010 discharges, only a State License Number or NPI will be accepted for physicians or other health practitioners. THCIC will no longer accept a UPIN for a physician or other health practitioner.

Facility Training (Hospital and ASC, Inpatient and Outpatient)

Texas Health Care Information Collection (THCIC) is offering training on the new THCIC_{System} for inpatient and outpatient facilities. Training will be provided online and there will also be training opportunities at the Austin office.

The requirements to receive the training on-line include a working telephone and a computer with high speed Internet access. Space is limited to the first 30 respondents for online training

and 40 respondents for attending at the training in Austin. We are encouraging those who have access to a high speed Internet enabled computer to take advantage of the training on-line.

Trainings Offered

WebClaim – Component for manually entering data

WebCorrect – Component for correcting data

Upload/ Download - Upload 837 batch files

***Data certification training will be held at a later date.**

Additional training sessions are being scheduled and will be announced through the THCIC newsletter and posted at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/thcic/hospitals/Training.shtm>.

The on-line training schedule is as follows:

- ❖ Tuesday, October 6, 2009 – 9 AM – WebClaim and WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- ❖ Tuesday, October 6, 2009 – 1 PM - Upload/ Download and WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- ❖ Wednesday, October 7, 2009 – For ASCs Only – 9 AM WebClaim and WebCorrect
- ❖ Wednesday, October 7, 2009 – For ASCs Only – 1 PM Upload/ Download and WebCorrect
- ❖ Thursday, October 8, 2009 – 9 AM – WebClaim and WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- ❖ Thursday, October 8, 2009 – 1 PM - Upload/ Download and WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

There will be training sessions held in Austin at the Department of State Health Services, 1100 W 49th Street, Moreton Building room 652 & 653. The training in Austin will be as follows:

- ❖ Monday, October 5, 2009 – 9 AM - For ASCs Only WebClaim, WebCorrect
- ❖ Monday, October 5, 2009 – 1 PM - For ASCs Only Upload/ Download and WebCorrect
- ❖ Friday, October 9, 2009 – 9 AM - WebClaim, WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- ❖ Friday, October 9, 2009 – 1 PM - Upload/ Download and WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

If you would like to attend the training sessions, please e-mail Tiffany Overton at thcichelp@dshs.state.tx.us and include your preferred training Date and Time in the “Subject” section plus the following information:

To...	thcichelp@dshs.state.tx.us
Cc...	
Subject:	Training Request for Training Date and Time
THCIC ID _____ Hospital/Organization _____ City _____ Registrant Name _____ Title _____ Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____	



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Statistics on 2008 Hospital Discharges

Taken from the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarter 2008 Public Use Data File (PUDF), THCIC has posted the number of inpatient discharges by hospital at:

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/thcic/hospitals/HospitalData.shtml>

Important Phone Numbers

Virginia:

System13 web site – www.thcichelp.com

THCIC/System13 Helpdesk – 888-308-4953

Austin:

THCIC web site – www.dshs.state.tx.us/thcic

DSHS-Center for Health Statistics-THCIC – 512-458-7261

THCIC Staff – 512-458-7111

Bruce Burns, D.C.	extension 6431	Rules and policy issues, 837 format issues
Miren Carranza	extension 3287	Project Manager
Sylvia Cook	extension 6438	Hospital/ASC reports, data use
Sheila Molina	extension 6546	PUDF requests
Wang-Shu Lu	extension 6453	Hospital/ASC reports and analysis
Dee Roes	extension 3374	Hospital/ASC compliance, research files request
Tiffany Overton	extension 2352	Hospital/ASC training (submission, correction, and certification)

THCIC fax – 512-458-7740

Questions may be submitted via E-mail to THCIChelp@dshs.state.tx.us