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Center for Health Statistics

You will find statistics on vital events like birth and death, population and demographic information, geographic material and survey data on risk factors and disease prevalence.

CHS also provides information on supply trends for health professions, including nurses, as well as hospital discharge records, and surveys of Texas hospital facilities and charity and community benefits.

Check it out at www.dshs.state.tx.us/chs

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Texas State Requirement

Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 108 requires all licensed **Texas Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgery Centers** to report inpatient and outpatient data to THCIC. See the THCIC web site for more information on this requirement at www.dshs.state.tx.us/thcic.

THCIC_{System} Is Now Available

The new THCIC_{System} is now available! In order to use this new system, you must reset your password by going to: <https://thcic.system13.com>.

Choose the 'Problems Logging In' link on the screen in the upper right corner to reset your password. After choosing that, choose the password recovery link. A password link will be e-mailed to the Primary Contact (only) for that Submitter or Provider login. Only the recipient of this e-mail may gain access to the password link. Forwarding the link to another person for access will break the link.

If you have multiple THCIC Provider and/or Submitter numbers, you must do this for each number.

If the provider Primary Contact person has changed, you must notify THCIC using the form located at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/THCIC/hospitals/FacilityInformationRequest.pdf> to update this information.

If the submitter Primary Contact person has changed, you must contact System13 at 888-308-4953 to update this information.

2007 IQI and PDI Reports Available for Hospital Review (Hospitals Only)

Letters were mailed out to hospital primary contacts on October 1st providing information on the review of the 2007 *Indicators of Inpatient Care in Texas Hospitals* and *Quality of Children's Care in Texas Hospitals*. The hospital review and comment period will end on December 3, 2009. These reports will be released to the public in late December 2009.

Only hospitals that submitted 2007 data may gain access to reports during the review and comment period. If your hospital's primary contact did not receive this letter, please contact Dee Roes by e-mail at Dee.Roes@dshs.state.tx.us.

Fees Charged by System13 for Special Services

Item	Effective 09/01/09
Charge to hospitals for data distribution on hard media	\$30.00
Hourly programming charge	\$95.00
Rate for corrections during certification	\$95.00
Rate for recreating certification files	\$373.00
Rate for rush order	\$281.00

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 by THCIC 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.

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.

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

Training presentation may be reviewed at:

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/THCIC/hospitals/WebClaim.pdf> (Inpatient)

or

http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/THCIC/hospitals/WebClaim_ASC.pdf (Outpatient)

WebCorrect – Component for correcting data

Training presentation may be reviewed at:

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/THCIC/hospitals/WebCorrect.pdf>

Upload/ Download - Upload 837 batch files

Training presentation may be viewed at:

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/THCIC/hospitals/submitter.pdf>

***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:

- 9:00a Monday, October 26, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- 1:00p Monday, October 26, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- 9:00a Tuesday, October 27, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (ASC Only)
- 1:00p Tuesday, October 27, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (ASC Only)
- 9:00a Tuesday, November 3, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- 1:00p Tuesday, November 3, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- 9:00a Wednesday, November 4, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)
- 1:00p Wednesday, November 4, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 9:00a Tuesday, November 10, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 1:00p Tuesday, November 10, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 9:00a Wednesday, November 11, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 1:00p Wednesday, November 11, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 9:00a Tuesday, November 18, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 1:00p Tuesday, November 18, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 9:00a Wednesday, November 19, 2009 - WebClaim & WebCorrect (Hospital and ASC)

- 1:00p Wednesday, November 19, 2009 - Upload 837 Files (Submitter) & 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 _____



Important Phone Numbers

Virginia:

System13 web site – <https://thcic.system13.com>

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

Reminder

Inpatient and Outpatient data submissions are due quarterly. Facilities that do not provide any patient services for a particular quarter **MUST** notify THCIC in writing no later than the scheduled due date for each quarterly submission.