

Administrative Bulletin 17-03

957 CMR 2.00: Payer Data Reporting

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Revision of Payer Data Reporting Requirements

The Center for Health Information and Analysis (“Center”) is issuing this Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 957 CMR 2.07(1) to notify Payers required to submit Total Medical Expense (TME) data of revised general data submission requirements to include the separate reporting of prescription drug rebate information. The Center is also revising the deadlines for the submission of Relative Price (RP) and Alternative Payment Methods (APM) data. The deadlines for submitting TME, RP, and APM data were communicated to Payers on March 24, 2017 and subsequently published on the Center’s website.

In 2016, the Massachusetts Legislature amended Chapter 12C to require that the Center “consider the effect of drug rebates and other price concessions in the aggregate without disclosure of any product or manufacturer-specific rebate or price concession information, and without limiting or otherwise affecting the confidential or proprietary nature of any rebate or price” when detailing cost trends in its annual report. To comply with this new statutory mandate, beginning in the Calendar Year (“CY”) 2017 data reporting cycle, payers shall submit, in addition to TME data, a prescription drug rebate data file to the Center. In the first reporting cycle, payers shall submit prescription drug rebate data for CYs 2014, 2015, and 2016. In future data reporting cycles, the Center may require payers to submit prescription drug rebate data only for those calendar years for which they are submitting TME data.

The prescription drug rebate file shall include the data fields listed below. Each data field will be reported by insurance category and calendar year.

- Member Months
- Total Pharmacy Expenditure Amount
- Pharmacy Expenditure Amount: Specialty Drugs
- Pharmacy Expenditure Amount: Non-Specialty Brand Drugs

- Pharmacy Expenditure Amount: Non-Specialty Generic Drugs
- Total Prescription Drug Rebate Amount
- Prescription Drug Rebate Amount: Specialty Drugs
- Prescription Drug Rebate Amount: Non-Specialty Brand Drugs
- Prescription Drug Rebate Amount: Non-Specialty Generic Drugs

In addition to the fields listed above, Payers shall submit summary information on their pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) contracts to CHIA as part of this filing.

Data submitters should consult the Center’s Payer Reporting of Prescription Drug Rebate Data Specification Manual for detailed instructions on how to report and submit the prescription drug rebate data file.

Data governed by 957 CMR 2.00 will be due according to the deadlines listed in the table below. The deadlines for APM and RP data are revised from the dates included in 957 CMR 2.00. The deadline for TME data is unchanged and is included as a reminder. The deadline for Prescription Drug Rebates data is new.

Deadline	Data File Due
Monday, May 1, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CY 2015 Final TME • CY 2016 Preliminary TME (with IBNR factors)
Friday, June 2, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CY 2015 Final APM • CY 2016 Preliminary APM (with IBNR factors) • CY 2016 APM Supplemental (Global budgets only)
Friday, June 30, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CY 2016 Hospital RP • CY 2014 Final Prescription Drug Rebates • CY 2015 Final Prescription Drug Rebates • CY 2016 Preliminary Prescription Drug Rebates
Friday, July 14, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CY 2016 Other Provider RP • CY 2015 Physician Group RP