

Administrative Bulletin 16-06

957 CMR 5.00: Health Care Claims, Case Mix and Charge Data Release Procedures

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The Center for Health Information and Analysis ("CHIA") is issuing this Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 957 CMR 5.08(2) to provide notice of a change in how Massachusetts Acute Hospital Case Mix Databases ("Case Mix") data is released.

Beginning with the release of FY 2015 data, Case Mix data, including data from the Hospital Inpatient Discharge Database ("HIDD"), the Emergency Department Database ("ED") and the Outpatient Observation Database ("OOD"), will be released as Limited Data Sets in order to better protect patient privacy and better serve users of the data.

For a complete list of the Case Mix data elements available in the Case Mix Limited Data Sets, please see the *Data Elements List* document for each File Type, which will be made available on CHIA's website. Users may receive additional data elements as detailed in the *Data Elements List* document in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.00.