

FY 2026 CASE MIX UPDATES WEBINAR

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Agenda

- **Welcome**
- **FY 2026 OOD Submission Guide Updates**
- **Timeline / Next Steps**
- **Questions & Comments**

CHANGES & REVISIONS FOR OUTPATIENT OBSERVATION DATA



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Submission Guide Changes - OOD

Key Changes: File Format	File Type
NEW! Asterisk Delimiter Format	OOD
NEW! Add Header Record (first record in the file; only one per file)	OOD

Key Changes: New Fields	File Type
Provider Organization Id (Header Record, Field 1)	OOD
Hospital Name (Header Record, Field 2)	OOD
Period Starting Date (Header Record, Field 3)	OOD
Period Ending Date (Header Record, Field 4)	OOD
Number of Outpatient Observation Stays (Header Record, Field 5)	OOD
Total Charges (Header Record, Field 6)	OOD
National Provider Identifier (NPI): Surgeon (Visit Record, Field 104)	OOD
National Provider Identifier (NPI): Attending Physician or Clinician (Visit Record, Field 105)	OOD
National Provider Identifier (NPI): Additional Caregiver (Visit Record, Field 106)	OOD

Timeline / Next Steps:

FY26 Case Mix Intake Process	Draft Timeline
Provider Comment Period Ends	May 9, 2025
Administrative Bulletin and Guides Adopted	May 2025
CHIA and Hospitals Update Systems	June – December 2025
Hospital Testing Period	Dec 2025 – January 2026
Quarter 1 Submission (Oct – Dec) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preliminary Data Files - Final Data Files 	January 31, 2026 March 16, 2026

Submission Guides – Published to CHIA Website

<http://www.chiamass.gov/hospital-data-specification-manuals/>

Hospital Case Mix Data Specification Manuals

The Hospital Case Mix Data Specification Manuals provide information on the data file format, data specifications, data element definitions, and quality standards that data submitters must follow when submitting Case Mix files to CHIA.

- **New!** The Redline Hospital Outpatient Observation Data Specifications are [linked below](#). There are no changes to the HIDD and EDD specification manuals for 2026.
- Both the [FINAL FY2025 versions](#) and the [Redline FY2025 versions](#) of the Hospital Case Mix Data Specifications for Hospital Inpatient Discharge Data (HIDD), Hospital Emergency Department, and Hospital Outpatient Observation are available below. CHIA hosted a webinar on May 16, 2024 to review the proposed changes. See the [FY 2025 Case Mix Updates Webinar presentation \(PDF\)](#) | [PPT](#)
- [Other documentation](#) including Transfer Organization ID listings, and Payer Sources Codes are also available for reference.

FY2026 Hospital **Redline** Case Mix Data Specifications (OOD Only)

(published Wednesday, April 9, 2025)

- [Redline Hospital Outpatient Observation Data Specifications \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
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QUESTIONS & COMMENTS



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