FY 2020 Hospital Emergency Department Visit Data

RELEASE NOTES

Background

These release notes provide information for users of the FY 2020 Emergency Department Visit Data (EDD). The data includes emergency visits from Massachusetts acute care hospitals for the period of October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020.

The Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) has made minimal changes to the FY 2020 data structure/ elements. Users of the data should consult the Fiscal Year 2020 Documentation Manual for further details.

Data Notes

- MetroWest Medical Center (Org Id 49), Leonard Morse Hospital Campus (Org Id 457) and Saint Vincent Hospital (Org Id 127) reported all patient emergency department visits with an Unknown Social Security Number. The data was resubmitted with corrections after the Final EDD was created.
- North Shore Medical Center – Union Hospital Campus (Org Id 3) permanently closed on November 3, 2019. Union Hospital based services were consolidated to the North Shore Medical Center - Salem Hospital facility (Org Id 116). Emergency Department Visit data is only reported for the applicable FY20 Quarter 1 timeframe.
- Cambridge Health Alliance closed their Emergency Department at Somerville Hospital (Org Id 143) on April 30, 2020. Emergency Department Visit data is only reported for the first three quarters of FY20.
- Steward Norwood Hospital (Org Id 41) temporarily closed on June 29, 2020 due to flooding. Emergency Department Visit data is only reported for the first three quarters of FY20.

FY 2020 – Provider Specific Notes

Prior to releasing the FY 2020 EDD, CHIA provides the hospitals with a profile of the data submitted. Providers may resubmit data or may provide written feedback to CHIA. Below is a summary of some of the key feedback received.

- Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital (Org Id 25):
  - Noted discrepancies with Patient Homeless Status for all quarters of FY20. Due to a mapping issue, no patients were identified as homeless. This finding was discovered too late for FY20 data resubmissions but has been corrected for FY21.

End User Support

Data documentation for Case Mix data releases can be accessed at **http://www.chiamass.gov/case-mix-data/**. For more information about specific data elements, facility reporting, or other questions about the data, please contact CHIA by emailing **CaseMix.data@state.ma.us**.