

FY 2020 Hospital Inpatient Discharge Data

RELEASE NOTES

Background

These release notes provide information for users of the FY 2020 Hospital Inpatient Discharge Data (HIDD). The data includes inpatient discharges 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

- Hospital inpatient discharges were notably less the second half of FY20 due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- Lawrence General Hospital (Org Id 83) inadvertently excluded newborn discharges in their FY20 HIDD submissions. The data was resubmitted with corrections after the Final HIDD release was created.
- MetroWest Medical Center (Org Id 49), Leonard Morse Hospital Campus (Org Id 457) and Saint Vincent Hospital (Org Id 127) reported all hospital inpatient discharges with an Unknown Social Security Number. The data was resubmitted with corrections after the Final HIDD was created.
- Steward Norwood Hospital (Org Id 41) temporarily closed on June 29, 2020 due to flooding. HIDD was not reported for FY20 Quarter 4.
- Holyoke Medical Center (Org Id 77) closed their Birthing Center in April 2020.
- Falmouth Hospital (Org Id 40) closed their Maternity Unit & Nursery in April 2020. All patient services were transitioned to Cape Code Hospital (Org Id 39).
- Southcoast Hospitals Group – Tobey Hospital Campus (Org Id 145) closed their Obstetrics & Neonatal Unit in January 2020.
- 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). HIDD was only reported for the applicable FY20 Quarter 1 timeframe.
- Mass General Brigham Hospitals incorrectly coded the Payer Type on some discharges in FY20. This finding was discovered too late to correct with data resubmissions. The error reversed Health Safety Net as the primary payer and Medicaid as the secondary payer.
- Mass General Hospital (Org Id 91) and Brigham and Women's Hospital (Org Id 22) became participants in the Acute Hospital Care at Home program in Quarter 2 of FY20. Their reported HIDD data includes hospital at home inpatient discharges.
- Beth Israel Deaconess Hospitals – Milton (Org Id 98), Needham (Org Id 53) and Plymouth (Org Id 79) corrected their FY20 Source of Admission coding. Due to a mapping issue, admissions transferred from within the hospital ER were incorrectly categorized as directly referred to inpatient status by a Physician. The data was resubmitted with corrections for the Final HIDD release.
- MetroWest Medical Center (Org Id 49), Leonard Morse Hospital Campus (Org Id 457) and Saint Vincent Hospital (Org Id 127) corrected their FY20 Source of Admission coding. Due to a mapping issue, admissions transferred

from within the hospital ER were incorrectly categorized as directly referred to inpatient status by a Physician or Walk in/Self Referral. The data was resubmitted with corrections for the Final HIDD release.

FY 2020 – Provider Specific Notes

Prior to releasing the FY 2020 HIDD, 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:

- Southcoast Hospitals Group – Charlton Memorial Campus (Org Id 123), St. Luke’s Campus (Org Id 124 and Tobey Campus (Org Id 145):
 - Noted the validation reports for Source of Admission, Hispanic Indicator, ED Registration time and ED Registered Day of the Week do not reflect internal hospital records.
- Saint Vincent Hospital (Org Id 127):
 - Noted the Source of Admission validation report needs further review to ensure accuracy. The reported data passed validation thresholds.

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.