



Administrative Bulletin 15-09

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

Effective November 1, 2015

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 the availability of 2014 health care claims data for release from the Massachusetts All-Payer Claims Database (“MA APCD”), which release shall be known as “Release 4.0” and to also provide notice of new, deleted, and reclassified data elements within Release 4.0. Such changes can be found in the tables below. Release 4.0 contains 2010 to 2014 MA APCD data.

For a complete list of MA APCD Release 4.0 data elements available to Government Agencies in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.03 and to Payers, Providers and Provider Organizations in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.05, please see the “MA APCD Release 4.0 Data Element Specifications,” available on CHIA’s website. Any elements contained in Release 4.0 that must be removed to ensure a HIPAA “Safe Harbor” de-identified dataset¹ will not be available to Payers, Providers, Provider Organizations and Researchers requesting de-identified data in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.04.

Administrative Bulletin 15-09 also provides notice that a new MA APCD data file, the MassHealth Enhanced Eligibility file, is available to Government Agencies in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.03. This file, containing seventy-four new data elements, combines MMIS eligibility, managed care enrollment, long term care residency, Medicare eligibility and other member information into a single analytic resource, with non-overlapping effective dates, such that a comprehensive view of a member on any given day can be determined.

Additionally, this Administrative Bulletin provides notice of a change to the MA APCD data elements available to qualified individuals in accordance with the procedures outlined in 957 CMR 5.06. In Release 4.0, only CHIA’s Limited Data Sets (LDS) will be available to such qualified individuals. For a complete list of the MA APCD data elements included in the CHIA LDS, please see the “MA APCD Release 4.0 Data Element Specifications (for LDS),” also available on CHIA’s website.

¹ See 45 CFR Part 164.514(b).

RELEASE 4.0 CHANGES BY FILE TYPE

Dental Claims

Data Element Reclassified as Level 3 in 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
3	DC016	Member ZIP Code

Data Element Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-DC7	Member ZIP code (5 digits)

Data Elements Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-DC7	Release ID
2	DC002	National Plan ID
3	Derived-DC14	Member Census Tract

Medical Claims

Data Element Reclassified as Level 3 in 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
3	MC016	Member ZIP Code

Data Elements Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-MC7	Member ZIP Code (5 digits)
2	Derived-MC15	Fully Denied Claim
2	MC246	MassHealth Claim Type Indicator

Data Elements Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-MC7	Release ID
2	MC002	National Plan ID
3	Derived-MC17	Member Census Tract

Member Eligibility

Data Elements Reclassified as Level 3 in 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
3	ME017	Member ZIP Code
3	ME110	Subscriber ZIP Code

Data Elements Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-ME8	Member ZIP Code (first 5 digits)
2	Derived-ME9	Subscriber ZIP Code (first 5 digits)

Data Elements Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-ME7	Release ID
2	ME002	National Plan ID

Pharmacy Claims

Data Element Reclassified as Level 3 in 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
3	PC016	Member ZIP Code

Data Element Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PC7	Member ZIP Code (5 digits)

Data Elements Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PC8	Release ID
2	PC002	National Plan ID
3	Derived-PC15	Member Census Tract

Product

Data Element Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PR3	Product Delegate

Data Element Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PR2	Submission Year and Month

Provider

Data Element Added to 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PV9	Provider Delegate

Data Element Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
2	Derived-PV4	Submission Year and Month

Benefit Control Plan

Data Element Removed from 4.0

Level	Data Element Source	Data Element Name
3	Derived-BP05	ReleaseID