

## Submitting ED and AS Data

This issue of Quick Notes includes some tips to ensure accurate reporting of your ED and AS data. We have also included the proposed web entry form, file layout, and system requirements for submitting ED and AS data.

Medical Information Reporting for California (MIRCal) is a secure web-based application for healthcare facilities and/or their designated agents (vendor) to submit patient level data to OSHPD. There are two ways to submit data through MIRCal, both via the internet:

- Using the file submission function, you will send a report that includes records of all encounters that occurred in each calendar quarter. The report must be in the OSHPD-defined fixed length file format. A condensed file layout is included in this issue.
- Using the online record entry function, you will enter individual records directly online using the web entry form available in MIRCal. A condensed example of this form is included in this issue. Please note, this is not the actual form and should not be used for official use.

Full definitions of the mandated data elements are proposed in the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 7, Chapter 10 *Health Facility Data*, Article 8 *Patient Data Reporting Requirements*. The text of regulation draft and all associated documents are available in the "What's New" section of the OSHPD website at www.oshpd.ca.gov/hid/MIRCal. Here you will also find the new (April 2004) *Format and File Specifications for MIRCal Online Transmission – ED and AS Data*. Hospitals, please note there is a difference between the current inpatient data content and the new outpatient data content is consistent with HIPAA standards.



## Tips For ED and AS Data Submission

- 1. Submission requirements include using a fixed length file format.
- 2. Unknown Social Security Numbers must be reported as 00000001.
- Unknown ZIP Codes must be reported as 99999. There are no generic zip codes for homeless or foreign patients.
- 4. For online file submission, dates are to be reported in the CCYYMMDD format (e.g., a date of birth of 04/15/2004 would be 20040415).
- 5. For online web entry of individual records, dates are to be reported in the MMDDCCYY format (e.g., 04152004)
- Service date is the "begin date" when service was provided.

- 7. Unknown Race or Unknown Ethnicity must be reported as 99.
- 8. Values for Disposition and Expected Source of Payment are in the regulation definitions and on the web entry abstract reporting forms.
- ICD-9-CM codes are to be reported for all diagnoses and external causes of injury (E-codes). The file layout allows spaces for future transition to ICD-10-CM code lengths.
- 10. No fields (such as diagnoses or dates) should include decimal points or any special characters.
- 11. CPT-4 codes are to be reported for all procedures.
- 12. National Provider Identifier Number is a placeholder for the future.



### Minimum PC System Requirements for MIRCal Online Transmission

- 1. Access to a personal computer (with the following minimum configuration)
  - 300MHz processor, 64 MB RAM, 4 GB hard drive (at least 500MB free)
  - High speed Internet connection (preferred) or 56k modem or faster
  - Microsoft Internet Explorer version 5.0 (or higher)
  - 128-bit Secure Socket Layer (SSL). You can confirm that this component of your Microsoft Internet Explorer (version 5.0 or higher) browser is installed by opening your browser and clicking on the Help menu then on About Internet Explorer. Within the pop-up window it should state "Cipher Strength: 128-bit." This component must be installed for you to access the MIRCal system.
  - Adobe Acrobat Reader version 4.0 (or higher). This is a FREE product that can be downloaded from the Internet.
  - Virus Checking Software
  - File Compression Program. MIRCal accepts files that are 3MB or less. Data files that are more than 3MB must be zipped in order to be submitted successfully. The following compression applications are supported and can be obtained from the manufacturer's website: Winzip, Pkzip, or gzip.

Optional

- CD-ROM
- 2. Internet access through an Internet Service Provider (ISP).
- 3. E-mail account. MIRCal sends e-mail reminders and notices to the facility's primary contact and administrator.



#### Important Announcement!

With the addition of our new outpatient data collection programs, we could no longer remain as the Patient *Discharge* Data Section. We are now officially the Patient Data Section (PDS).

#### Contact Us

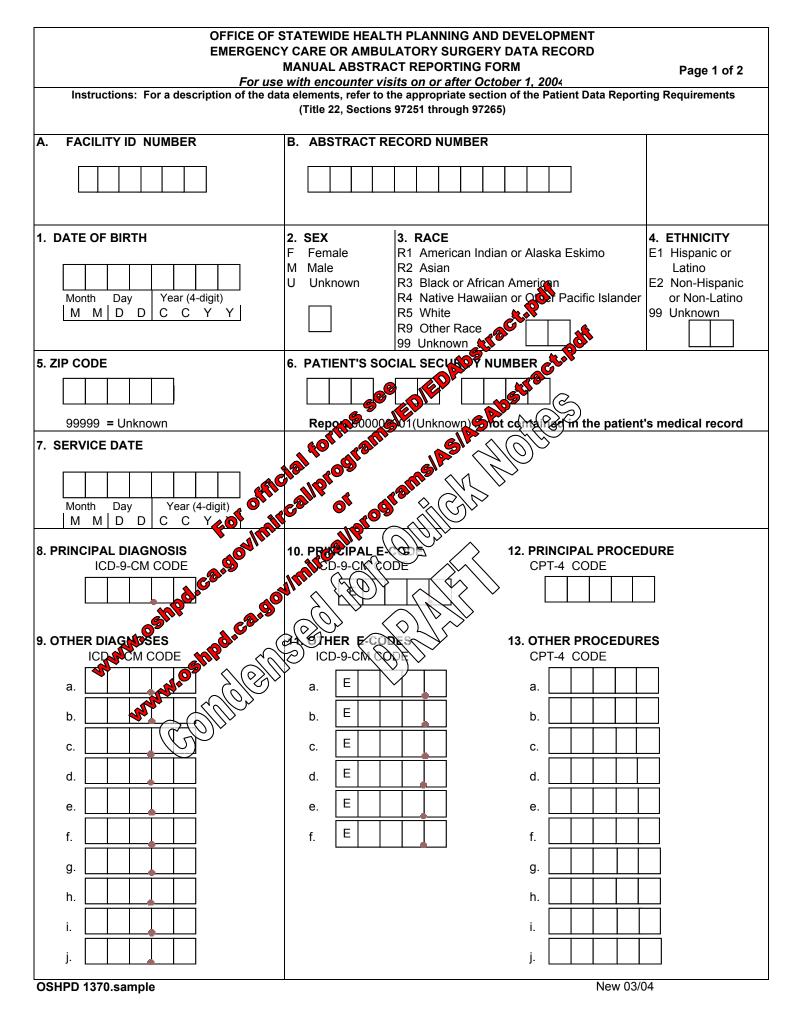
For questions or comments, please contact us by using any of the methods shown in the upper righthand corner of the front page.

#### CHIA 2004 Convention

Visit OSHPD representatives in the exhibit hall at the California Health Information Association (**CHIA**) annual convention June 14-16 in Rancho Mirage, California. A Patient Data Section representative will be speaking at the vendors' showcase on the 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. For more information about CHIA and the conference, visit their web site at:

http://www.californiahia.org/control.cfm

Next Issue: Regulations



FULL VERSION WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON ON THE MIRCAL WEB SITE

OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT EMERGENCY CARE OR AMBULATORY SURGERY DATA RECORD										
MANUAL ABSTRACT REPORTING FORM Page 2 of 2										
For use with encounter visits on or after October 1, 2004										
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# Proposed Fixed Length File Layout EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT and AMBULATORY SURGERY DATA

No.	Field	Beginning Position	Ending Position	Length	Туре	Content	Content Form
1	OSHPD FACILITY ID NUMBER	1	6	6	NUMERIC	999999	Left justified
2	ABSTRACT RECORD NUMBER (AKA: Medical Record Number)	7	18	12	TEXT	xxxxxxxxxxx	Left justified, blank filled
3	PATIENT SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN)	19	27	9	NUMERIC	999999999	Left justified
4	ZIP CODE (PATIENT)	28	32	5	TEXT	99999	Left justified
5	DATE OF BIRTH	33	40	8	DATE		Left justified
6	SEX	41	41	1	TEXT	M, F, U	Left justified, upper case
7	RACE	42	43	2		R A, R3, R4, R9, 99	Left justified, upper case
8	ETHNICITY	44	45		TEN	E1, E2, 99 (0)	Left justified, upper case
9	SERVICE DATE	46	53	218	CHATE ,	CCLIWWDD	Left justified
10	DISPOSITION OF PATIENT	54	55 0	22	TEXT		Left justified, upper case
11	EXPECTED SOURCE OF PAYMENT (ESOP)	56	550 1057 6340 715		(BR)	XX	Left justified, upper case
12	PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS		21110	RY C	TEXT	X9899 or 99999	Left justified, blank filled, upper case
13	OTHER DIAGNOSES 01-24	65	71	Jon	TEXT	X9999 or 99999	Left justified, blank filled, upper case
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43	OTHER PROCEDURES 01-20	273	277	5	TEXT	9999X or 99999	Left justified, upper case
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63	NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER NUMBER	373	382	10	NUMERIC	9999999999	Left justified