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Attention: ESIS Submission Officers - For Action
 ESIS Software Suppliers - For Action

The Health Data Standards and Systems Unit has produced Issue 28 of the Health Data Standards & Systems (HDSS) Bulletin in electronic format only. The Bulletin has been posted onto our website at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/hdss/bulletin.htm and can be viewed as both a browseable and downloadable file. To view the complete subject index for every edition of the HDSS Bulletin, please refer to www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/hdss/bulindex.htm. A table illustrating previously released HDSS Bulletins and the dataset to which they relate can also be located at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/hdss/buldata.htm

Bulletin 25 was issued in hard copy format to VEMD representatives on 4 September 2001. Bulletins 26 and 27 were released to PRS/2 representatives on 5 and 7 September 2001. Please access the HDSS website for appropriate details.

Individuals who have previously provided us with their email address will also receive an emailed copy of Bulletin 28.

Bulletin 28 provides information regarding some important ESIS issues including:

- ESIS File Consolidation
- Amendments to ESIS Edits / Business Rules for 2001-2002
- Principal Prescribed Procedure Code 031 – Herniorrhaphy
- ESIS Edit Reports
- Review of Principal Prescribed Procedure listing

Please download the document from our web site. If you do not have internet access at your hospital, please contact the HDSS Help Desk to obtain a hard copy of this Bulletin. It is essential that this document be distributed to relevant staff in your organisation.

Yours faithfully,

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Elective Surgery Information System (ESIS)

28.1 ESIS File Consolidation

The final consolidation date for 2000-2001 ESIS data is 21st September 2001. Please ensure that all data for the 2000-2001 financial year are cleared by this date.

28.2 Amendments to ESIS Edits/Business Rules for 2001-2002

The following amendments have been made to the ESIS Version 4.0 User Manual.

Replacement pages are also attached for insertion into your Manual.

Summary of amendments:

Section 6 – Editing

Edit	Change	Change in intent
S268 Pg 6-47	Change description to read: This patient is <i>Not ready for care</i>, however the <i>Reason for Not Ready for Care Status</i> has not been reported.	N
S333 Pg 6-73	Change typographical error shown as TYPE 1 (HIGH PRIORITY REJECTION) to a TYPE 3 (WARNING)	N

Section 6 of the ESIS manual, incorporating these updates, can be located on the web at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/esis4/index.htm

28.3. Principal Prescribed Procedure Code 031 - *Herniorrhaphy*

Principal Prescribed Procedure code 031 – *Herniorrhaphy* as listed in Version 1.0 of the ESIS manual, effective 1 July 1998, is no longer a valid code and will be rejected by DHS.

Please utilise code 196 – *Inguinal Herniorrhaphy* or 197 – *Other Herniorrhaphy* as listed in Version 2.0, 3.0 and 4.0 ESIS User Manuals.

28.4 ESIS Edit Reports

Hospitals are reminded that the following edit reports are provided to the hospital (via return email), following the submission and processing of ESIS data:

Report	Description	File name (Refer to File naming convention, page 4-6)
Loaded total monthly return (including records with errors)	The full file of records processed by ESIS for the current month.	<u>e</u> mmynnnn.dbf
Summary list of edits	The number of each Type 1, Type 2 and Type 3 edits (including the edit description).	<u>m</u> mmynnnn.dbf
Records with Type 1, Type 2 and Type 3 edits	Records reported to ESIS which have failed edits. This file can include records that have not been removed from the waiting list, but are not reported in this month's submission.	<u>r</u> mmynnnn.dbf

Please access each of these files to determine which edits are still applicable to your data.

It is recommended when accessing the 'r' file that the rejections listed in the 'Message 1' column be considered first. Correction of these rejections may result in the amendment of the edit listed in columns 'Message 2', 'Message 3' etc.

For example;

Correction of S298 - *Invalid Removal Date* in the 'Message 1' column, may fix edit, S336 – *Total Not Ready for Care Days Mismatch*, as listed in 'Message 2'.

28.5 Review of Principal Prescribed Procedure list

The ESIS Technical Reference Group is currently undertaking a review of the *Principal Prescribed Procedure* (PPP) listing for the 2002-2003 financial year.

Please review the current PPP listing and indicate whether your hospital believes additional PPP codes are required, or whether particular PPP codes should be excluded. Please also review the PPP list by *Surgical Specialty* and advise whether you believe current PPP codes are recorded under the appropriate *Surgical Specialty*.

Forward your recommendations via email to jenelle.hurley@dhs.vic.gov.au and these will be discussed at the next ESIS Technical Reference Group meeting.

Software Supplier Effectiveness Review

As previously indicated the Department would like to collect information regarding the 2001-2002 software upgrade process for ESIS. The questionnaire was distributed to all software suppliers and hospitals involved in the collection.

It is anticipated that the review will provide the Department, Software Suppliers and hospitals, with a means for comparing the effectiveness of software upgrades. By releasing the questionnaire in concurrence with the 'Specifications for Revisions' documents it was expected that both hospitals and software companies would be in a position to complete the questionnaire as each stage of the upgrade is undertaken.

Once the process is finalised, and the questionnaires are returned to the Department, it is intended that the results will be published and forwarded to each site and software company for comparison.

Many hospitals and software suppliers have already forwarded a completed return. HDSS would like to remind those software suppliers and hospitals who have yet to complete the reviews, to do so as soon as possible.

Copies of the relevant questionnaires can be viewed and printed from the HDSS website at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/hdss/esis.htm

HDSS Bulletins by Dataset

The following table illustrates previously released HDSS Bulletins and the dataset to which they relate.

Contact the HDSS Helpdesk to request any previously released HDSS Bulletins.

HDSS Bulletin No:	Date released:	Dataset:			
		VAED / PRS/2	VEMD	ESIS	Other info
Bulletin 1	01 July 1999	✓	✓	✓	
Bulletin 2	15 July 1999	✓			
Bulletin 3	02 August 1999	✓	✓	✓	
Bulletin 4	09 September 1999		✓	✓	
Bulletin 5	08 October 1999	✓	✓	✓	
Bulletin 6	13 October 1999	✓			
Bulletin 7	09 November 1999	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 8	24 December 1999	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 9	10 March 2000	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 10	26 April 2000	✓			
Bulletin 11	16 May 2000	✓			
Bulletin 12	28 June 2000	✓	✓		
Bulletin 13	19 July 2000	✓			
Bulletin 14	20 July 2000	✓			
Bulletin 15	08 August 2000	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 16	25 September 2000	✓	✓		
Bulletin 17	29 September 2000			✓	
Bulletin 18	18 October 2000			✓	
Bulletin 19	27 October 2000	✓	✓	✓	
Bulletin 20	05 April 2001	✓		✓	✓
Bulletin 21	27 April 2001	✓			✓
Bulletin 22	22 May 2001	✓		✓	
Bulletin 23	18 June 2001	✓		✓	
Bulletin 24	30 July 2001	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 25	03 September 2001			✓	
Bulletin 26	05 September 2001	✓			✓
Bulletin 27	07 September 2001	✓			
Bulletin 28	14 September 2001			✓	

HDSS Contact Details

The Health Data Standards and Systems (HDSS) Unit of the Acute Health Division manages three Victorian hospital data collections:

- Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)
- Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD)
- Elective Surgery Information System (ESIS).

The *Health Data Standards and Systems Bulletin*, produced on an ad hoc basis by HDSS, provides:

- Answers to common questions recently directed to the HDSS Help Desk,
- Directives for implementation of revisions to data collection specifications (VAED, VEMD, ESIS), including notification of amendments to specified data collection reference tables,
- Feedback on selected data quality studies undertaken, and
- Information on upcoming events.

HDSS Bulletin Web Site www.dhs.vic.gov.au/ahs/hdss/bulletin.htm

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