

# Bulletin

## Health Data Standards and Systems

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Attention: Health Information Managers - For action  
VAED/ESIS/VEMD Submission officers - For action  
VAED/ESIS/VEMD Software suppliers - For action  
Emergency Department Directors – For action

Issue 76 of the Health Data Standards & Systems (HDSS) Bulletin has been published in electronic format only. It has been posted onto our website at <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/bulletin/76-031104.pdf> and can be viewed as a downloadable file. To view the subject index for every edition of the bulletin, please refer to: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/bulletin/bulindex.htm>

Bulletin 76 provides information regarding:

- Postcode Updates
- Requests for Proposals for Revision for 2005-06 (VAED, ESIS and VEMD), and the HDSS Forum
- Campuses approved to report CAMHS episodes

Please download the document from our web site. If you do not have Internet access, 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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# Global update

## 76.1 Postcode Updates

An updated version of the 2004-05 Postcode File has been posted onto the HDSS Website:  
<http://hdss.health.vic.gov.au/reffiles/index.htm>

This file reflects the new addition:

<b>Suburb/Locality</b>	<b>Postcode</b>
Mount Dispersion	2738

## 76.2 Requests for Proposals for Revision for 2005-06 (VAED, ESIS and VEMD), and the HDSS Forum

The process and timeframe for proposing changes to the VAED, ESIS and VEMD datasets, including the timing of the HDSS Forum, will differ this year compared to the most recent years.

The timeframe for the process is as follows:

Date	Action
3 November 2004	Request for Proposals for Revisions to VAED, ESIS, and VEMD for 1 July 2005 distributed.
26 November 2004	Deadline for acceptance of Proposals for Revisions for 1 July 2005.
10 December 2004	<i>Proposals for Revisions for 1 July 2005</i> documents for VAED, ESIS and VEMD distributed.
10 December 2004 – 1 February	HDSS will liaise with proposers of changes to prepare documentation for final approval, and for the HDSS Forum.
28 January 2005	Comments on proposals should be provided by this time at the latest.
4-11 February 2005	HDSS Forum held to discuss proposed revisions to VAED, ESIS and VEMD.
End of February 2005	<p><i>Final Specifications for Revisions for 1 July 2005</i> documents for VAED, ESIS and VEMD to be distributed.</p> <p>Note: In the past, the VAED has released a separate document detailing changes to edits, edit tables and supplementary code lists. Depending on the extent of the changes to VAED, this may occur again. Release would be approximately early April 2005.</p>

Please note that:

- There will be greater scrutiny of all proposals this year, including the need to demonstrate clear business justification for all changes. All proposals will need to be fully costed, meaning funding streams will need to be identified and confirmed, before a proposal is considered for acceptance. Final acceptance of all proposals is dependent on the Executive Director, Metropolitan Health and Aged Care Services, Shane Solomon.
- Proposals for revision to ESIS are welcome. Note: the change to Registration Date proposed in the *Specifications for Revision to ESIS for 1 July 2004* (March 2004), and subsequently deferred until 1 July 2005, will be going ahead. As previously documented, this is not a change to the data item or the edits, but a change to the business rules determining the dates reported.

However, as the new file structure is being introduced on 1 January 2005, it is highly unlikely that any other significant changes will be accepted, as there is a strong preference to maintain stability in the new system for at least 18 months.

The proforma for submitting proposals for any of the data collections has been attached to this email. It can also be downloaded from the HDSS Website at <http://hdss.health.vic.gov.au/> or emailed out on request by contacting the HDSS Help Desk.

# Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)

## 76.3 Campuses approved to report CAMHS episodes

The following additional hospitals are now approved to report Care Type 5K *Mental Health Service and Psychogeriatric Program – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)*.

- Ballarat Health Services [Base Campus]
- La Trobe Regional Hospital [Traralgon]

# HDSS Bulletin by dataset

This table lists the most recent HDSS Bulletins, and identifies the dataset to which they relate. All previous bulletins are on the website at:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/bulletin/bulindex.htm>

If you are unable to access the website, please 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 76	3 November 2004	✓			✓
Bulletin 75	26 October 2004	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 74	20 October 2004			✓	
Bulletin 73	13 September 2004	✓			✓
Bulletin 72	8 September 2004	✓		✓	✓
Bulletin 71	5 August 2004		✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 70	5 August 2004	✓			
Bulletin 69	9 July 2004	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 68	16 June 2004	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 67	28 May 2004	✓	✓		
Bulletin 66	30 April 2004	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 65	08 April 2004	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 64	25 February 2004	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 63	26 November 2003	✓			✓
Bulletin 62	10 October 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 61	16 September 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 60	26 August 2003	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 59	05 August 2003	✓	✓		✓
Bulletin 58	22 July 2003	✓			✓
Bulletin 57	01 July 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 56	11 June 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 55	29 May 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 54	07 April 2003	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 53	19 February 2003	✓	✓		
Bulletin 52	20 January 2003	✓	✓		
Bulletin 51	20 December 2002	✓			✓
Bulletin 50	11 November 2002	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 49	17 October 2002	✓		✓	✓
Bulletin 48	04 October 2002	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 47	12 September 2002	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 46	23 August 2002	✓		✓	
Bulletin 45	13 August 2002	✓	✓	✓	
Bulletin 44	06 August 2002	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 43	19 July 2002	✓		✓	
Bulletin 42	12 July 2002	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bulletin 41	04 July 2002	✓	✓		✓

# HDSS contact details

The Health Data Standards and Systems (HDSS) Unit of the Metropolitan Health and Aged Care Division has responsibility for maintaining data standards for five Victorian health data collections:

- Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)
- Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD)
- Elective Surgery Information System (ESIS)
- Agency Information Management System (AIMS)
- Client Management Interface (CMI)(for Mental Health clients).

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 Helpdesk;
- Communication regarding the implementation of revisions to data collection specifications, including notification of amendments to specified data collection reference tables;
- Feedback on selected data quality studies undertaken; and,
- Information on upcoming events.

HDSS Web Site <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/>

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