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Attention: Health Information Managers – For Action
VAED/ESIS/VEMD/VINAH Submission Officers – For Action
VAED/ESIS/VEMD/VINAH Software suppliers – For Action
Emergency Department Directors – For Action

This edition of the Health Data Standards and Systems (HDSS) Bulletin has been published in electronic format only. It has been posted on our website at: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/bulletin/125-191107.pdf> and can be viewed as a downloadable file.

This bulletin provides information regarding:

- Release of the *Proposals for Revisions to the Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset for 1 July 2008*.
- Release of the *Proposals for Revisions to the Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset for 1 July 2008*.
- Release of the *Proposals for Revisions to the Elective Surgery Information System for 1 July 2008*.
- DHS circular update.
- Australian Government circular update.
- New PRS/2 edit regarding Account Classes.
- PRS/2 testing.

Please download the document from our website. 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

125.1 DHS circular update

The following circulars have been released, and can be found at:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hospitalcirculars/>

Hospital Circular 22/2007

Subject:

1. Highly Specialised Drugs Program

125.2 Australian Government circular update

The following circulars have been released:

PHI 72/07	Increase in Patient Contribution for Nursing Home Type Patients in Western Australia
PHI 71/07	New Arrangements for Compliance under Sections 96-5 and 96-10 of the Private Health Insurance Act 2007
PHI 70/07	Correction to PHI Circular 67/07 and new facility for private health insurance purposes in New South Wales
PHI 69/07	July 2008 Protheses List – Application and Benefit Negotiation Workshops
PHI 68/07	July 2008 Protheses List – Application Forms
PHI 67/07	Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) Rules 2007
PHI 66/07	Nursing Home Type Patients in South Australia
PHI 65/07	New Hospitals under the Private Health Insurance Act 2007

Private Health Insurance circulars can be found at:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/wcms/publishing.nsf/Content/health-phicirculars2007-index1>

To subscribe to the circulars, email your subscription details to Private Health Insurance Branch at privatehealth@health.gov.au

125.3 Release of *Proposals for Revisions* documents

Hospitals are advised of the release of the following documents relating to HDSS managed datasets:

- *Proposals for Revisions to PRS/2 and the Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset for 1 July 2008.*
- *Proposals for Revisions to the Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset for 1 July 2008.*
- *Proposals for Revisions to the Elective Surgery Information Systems for 1 July 2008.*

These documents have been distributed with this Bulletin and are available for downloading from www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss.

Please circulate these documents to relevant staff within your organisation, and ensure that your software provider has also received a copy.

A feedback proforma is provided on the last page of the document. Feedback can be forwarded to the HDSS Help Desk (HDSS.Helpdesk@dhs.vic.gov.au) and must be received before 30 November 2007.

Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)

125.4 New Edit 637 Illegal Combination of Account Classes

Edit 637 was introduced on 23 October 2007. It rejects the episode record when a public Account Class (M*) is reported in the same episode with any compensable Account Class (W*, V*, T*, A*, S*, C*, O*, or J*). The whole of a compensable episode must be covered by the same payer.

125.5 Testing Notification Form

All hospitals and facilities are reminded that PRS/2 testing is required whenever there is a changeover of, or a significant upgrade to, your software system.

Section 10 of the VAED manual contains a Testing Notification Form which must be completed and returned to HDSS. A Word version of the form has now been made available on our website:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/vaed/2007-08/manual/index.htm>

An email to HDSS.Helpdesk@dhs.vic.gov.au with the completed form as an attachment is the preferred method of communication. If email is not available, a faxed copy of the form will be accepted.

Contact Details

The Health Data Standards and Systems (HDSS) Unit of the Metropolitan and Aged Care Services 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)
- Victorian Integrated Non-Admitted Health Minimum Dataset (VINAH)

The HDSS Bulletin, produced on an ad hoc basis, 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.

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