

# Bulletin

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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

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This bulletin provides information regarding:

- Hospital Code Table Updates
- VAED: Supplementary Code Lists Updates
- VAED: Amendment to Edit 635
- VEMD: Addenda to Specifications for Revisions – File naming convention
- VEMD: Errata to Specifications for Revisions – Edit E372

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# Global Update

## 128.1 Hospital Code Table Updates

An updated version of the Hospital Code Table file, including the details below, has been posted onto the HDSS Website:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/reffiles/index.htm>

### Hospital Closure

The following hospital has closed.

Name	Campus code	Effective date
Taburn Specialist Medical Centre	7860	21 Dec 2007

The excel file contains multiple worksheets that categorise public, private and non-Victorian hospitals, both in alphabetical and numerical order.

# Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)

## 128.2 Supplementary Code Lists Updates

An updated version of the Supplementary Code Lists file, including the details below, has been posted onto the HDSS Website:

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/reffiles/index.htm>

### Program Approval

The following hospital(s) have been granted approval for the Rural Patient Initiative Program (Funding Arrangement 5) services.

Name	Campus code	Effective date
Latrobe Regional Hospital	2440	1 July 2007
Northeast Health Wangaratta	1150	1 July 2007
Wimmera Health Care Group - Horsham	2170	1 July 2007

## 128.3 Amendment to Edit 635

Edit 635 has been amended to trigger for patients under 54 years of age at admission, rather than 55. Patients who turn age 55 up until 30 June 2008 may be included in the program and therefore some patients may be 54 years of age on admission.

### 635 NBCSP but Age < 55 54 years

**Effect** REJECTION

**Problem** The episode record has Contract/Spoke ID 0110 indicating that the patient is participating in the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program, but the Age at Admission is less than 55 54 years.

**Remedy** Only patients turning 55 or 65 years between 1 May 2006 and 30 June 2008 are invited to participate in the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program. Either the Date of Birth is incorrect or the patient should not be reported using Contract/Spoke ID 0100.

## Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD)

### 128.4 File naming convention—addenda to the *Specification for Revisions to the Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset for 1 July 2008*.

The following information regarding changes to the File Naming Convention for VEMD submissions was omitted from the Specification for Revisions document published in January 2008.

Hospitals are advised to ensure that software is updated as necessary.

File Naming Convention	AAAABnna.txt		
Where:	AAAA	=	Campus Code (for example: 1010)
	B	=	Version of the dataset (2008-09 is version 13. Code '3' will be used)
	nn	=	Month of Transmission
	a	=	Data Submission Indicator (1 <sup>st</sup> submission 07a, 2 <sup>nd</sup> 07b)
2008-09 Example: Text extract: 1010307a.txt Zip file with 128 bit AES encryption and password supplied by DHS: 1010307a.zip			

### 128.5 Edit E372 Age greater than 113—errata to the *Specification for Revisions to the Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset for 1 July 2008*.

The *Specification for Revisions to the Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset for 1 July 2008* included an amendment to edit 372. This amendment should be disregarded. Edit 372 will remain as published in HDSS Bulletin 117 which was released on 17 July 2007.

## 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)

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- 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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