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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:

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Global Update

151.1 Hospital Code Table update

An updated version of the Hospital Code Table file, including the details below, will be posted to the HDSS website at: <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/reffiles/index.htm>

Hospital name change

The following facilities have changed their names:

| Old name | New name | Campus code | Effective date |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Vaucluse Hospital | Brunswick Private Hospital | 6220 | 20 October 2009 |
| Centre of Cosmetic and Plastic Surgery | Tarietta Day Surgery | 7180 | 20 October 2009 |

151.2 Department of Health Circular update

The following departmental hospital circulars have been released since the publication of HDSS Bulletin 150 on 30 October 2009.

They are available at <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hospitalcirculars/>

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| Publication Number 28 / 2009 - 26 October 2009 |
| Date issued: 26 October 2009 |
| Subject: Changes to the Highly Specialised Drugs Program |
| Publication Number 29 / 2009 - 29 October 2009 |
| Date issued: 29 October 2009 |
| Subject: Security Sensitive Biological Agents (SSBA) Regulatory Scheme |

151.3 Australian Government Circular update

The following circulars have been released since the publication of HDSS Bulletin 150 on 30 October 2009.

Private Health Insurance circulars can be found at:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-phicirculars2009-index1>

To subscribe to the circulars, email your subscription details to Private Health Insurance Branch at:

privatehealth@health.gov.au

- PHI 77/09 Private Health Insurance Rebate Tiers Implementation Working Group**
- PHI 76/09 Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) Amendment Rules 2009 (No.7)**
- PHI 75/09 National Joint Replacement Register Levy Rules – Exposure Draft**
- PHI 74/09 Cataract Surgery**
- PHI 73/09 Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) Amendment Rules 2009 (No. 6)**
- PHI 72/09 Private Hospital Name Changes – Victoria**
- PHI 71/09 Lifetime Health Cover Loading and Ambulance Cover**

151.4 Errata – Medicare numbers and babies

Please note that the advice published in article 150.4 Medicare numbers and Babies regarding VAED and VEMD **also applies to the ESIS** data collection.

Medicare numbers for babies can be reported using one of the following two options:

Option one - continue with current format

Report the mother's Medicare number, with the eleventh character as a zero (0), and Medicare Suffix BAB.

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Mother's Medicare number | 1234567890 2 |
| Baby's Medicare number | 1234567890 0 |
| Medicare Suffix | BAB |

Option two

Report the exact Medicare number of the mother for the baby when the baby does not have its own Medicare number (as shown below).

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Mother's Medicare number | 1234567890 2 |
| Baby's Medicare number | 1234567890 2 |
| Medicare Suffix | BAB |

Article 150.4 also advised incorrectly that VEMD edit E364 will be deleted.

The correct edit VEMD to be deleted is **E365 – Medicare Suffix 'BAB'; Medicare Number Last Digit Not Zero**.

In line with this advice, the Reporting Guides for Medicare Number and Medicare Suffix have been updated in the following data collection manuals:

- VAED Manual – Section 3
- VEMD Manual – Section 3
- ESIS Manual – Section 3. Please note, the ESIS Manual 2009-10 will be released shortly on the HDSS website.

151.5 Errata – Data reform implementation date is 2011

Please note that the advice published in article 150.3 Data reform – release of draft documents for comment, contained an incorrect date for implementation.

The article should have read "... [the] Victorian Health Integrated Minimum Dataset (VHI MDS) which is planned for implementation from **1 July 2011**."

Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset (VAED)

151.6 Updated - VAED late data exemption request form

An updated VAED late data exemption request form was published on 9 November 2009 on the HDSS website at <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/vaed/index.htm>

Updates have been made to the Manager details on the form and the layout has changed slightly. There are minor wording changes regarding the granting of exemptions.

151.7 Procedure Start Date/Time procedure codes

Due to an oversight, a number of Procedure Start Date/Time procedure codes were not uploaded to the PRS/2 processing data base. This has triggered rejection **657 Procedure Start Date/Time** for some sites.

The list of Procedure Start Date/Time codes was updated on 5 November 2009. HDA apologises for the inconvenience caused. Sites can resubmit their data to clear this rejection.

Please note: Data are unaffected from sites that have been using the Procedure Block numbers for [ACHI block numbers for Procedure Start Datetime](#) (Excel File 2038KB) – Updated 8 October 2009.

151.8 Errata - VAED manual Section 3: Admission Source and Separation Mode

Section 3 Data Definitions Admission Source and Separation Mode both have been amended to reflect that admissions / separations from Palliative Care are valid statistical admissions/separations. The updated Section 3 was published on the HDSS website on 18 November 2009.

Please see details below:

Admission Source

Reporting guide **S Statistical Admission (change in Care Type within this hospital)**

Assign this code when a new episode of care has commenced within the same hospital stay on the same hospital campus.

~~Includes:~~

- ~~• Statistical admission to Palliative Care (Care Type 8) only if the change is from Nursing Home Type (Care Types F, 1 or 5T).~~

Excludes:

- Change from or to Unqualified newborn (Care Type U) as a Statistical Separation or a Statistical Admission. Changes between Qualified and Unqualified status of newborns are recorded in Status Segments using the Qualification Status field. Refer to Section 4: Newborn.
- Change between Rehabilitation Program/Units: Levels 1, 2, 3 or Paediatric, Care Types (2, 6, 7, P).
- ~~• Change from Palliative Care (Care Type 8) as a Statistical Separation Admission, unless the change is from or to Nursing Home Type (Care Types F, 1 or 5T).~~

Separation Mode

Reporting guide **S Statistical Separation (change in Care Type within this hospital)**

Assign this code when a new episode of care (change in Care Type) occurs within the same hospital stay.

~~Includes:~~

- ~~• Statistical separation from Palliative Care (Care Type 8) only if the change is to Nursing Home Type (Care Type F, 1, 5T).~~

It is not permissible to:

- Change to Alcohol and Drug Program Care Type following another episode of care (for public hospitals).
- Change between Rehabilitation Program/Units: Levels 1, 2 or 3 Care Types (2, 6 or 7).
- Change from or to Unqualified newborn (Care Type U) as a Statistical Separation or a Statistical Admission. Changes between Qualified and Unqualified status of newborns are recorded in Status Segments using the Qualification Status field. Refer to Section 2: Newborns.
- ~~• Change to Palliative Care (Care Type 8) as a Statistical Admission, unless the change is from Nursing Home Type (Care Type F, 1, 5T).~~

Elective Surgery Information System (ESIS)

151.9 Clarification of Reporting Guide for Event Value

Health Data Acquisition has received a number of queries about the reporting guide for event value. The following clarification details the department's expectations for health services.

The reporting guide for Event Value states:

"Intra Episode Events may occur multiple times within a waiting episode, but there can only be one event per episode per day for Readiness or Clinical Urgency or MAPT. For example, only one change in MAPT, Urgency and Readiness events can be reported per episode per day."

A patient cannot have multiple changes of these event types on the same day, for example, two readiness events on the same day.

Set SAD and Reason SAD changed can be reported as many times as they occur on the same day regardless of other event types. For example, Reason SAD changed, Set SAD and Readiness event all reported on 12/11/09.

Please note that the ESIS Manual for 2009-10 will be released shortly on the HDSS website.

Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset (VEMD)

151.10 New version VEMD Editor 14 1.1.1

An updated VEMD Editor v14 for 2009-10 was published on 6 November 2009. This update includes changes to the postcode/locality file and deletion of Edit E365 - Medicare Suffix 'BAB'; Medicare Number Last Digit Not Zero as highlighted in HDSS Bulletin 150 and Errata 151.5 in this Bulletin issue.

It is available at <http://www.health.vic.gov.au/hdss/vemd/index.htm>

151.11 Updated - VEMD manual data collection form

The VEMD Manual Data collection form has been updated to include information to enable calculation of the Mental Health KPI. Sites who are sending manual data and have not yet received the updated form should contact:

HDSS.helpdesk@dhs.vic.gov.au or

SUBMIT.VEMD@dhs.vic.gov.au

Contact Details

The Health Information Section of the Metropolitan and Aged Care Services Division is responsible 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 Health Information Section produces the HDSS Bulletin on an ad hoc basis to provide:

- 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
- information on upcoming events.

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

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