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RELEASE OF FINAL DATA SPECIFICATIONS FOR HCP AND PHDB 2011-12 DATA COLLECTIONS

This circular releases the final specifications for the Hospital Casemix Protocol (HCP) and Private Hospitals Data Bureau (PHDB) data collections. Minor edits have been made to coding descriptions, error codes, and the Guide for Use.

Development of changes to the HCP and PHDB data specifications has involved consultation and advice from insurers, service providers and software vendors.

There is minimal amendment to the specifications for 2011/12. The only changes to be made are those that will clarify parts of the specifications and improve data quality.

The data specifications can be found on the department's website:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-casemix-data-collections-about-HCP>

The following attachments accompany this circular:

- A HCP – Hospital to Insurer data specifications 2011/12
- B HCP1 (admitted hospital treatment) – Insurer to Department data specifications 2011/12
- C HCP2 (other types of hospital treatment) – Insurer to Department data specifications 2011/12
- D GT-Dental – Insurer to Department data specifications 2011/12
- E PHDB – Hospital to Department 2011/12 data specifications

Any questions relating to the final data specifications should be sent to hcp@health.gov.au

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