

EXHIBIT B

SECTION SPECIFIC UPDATES

CCR Section 97212 Definitions, as used in this Article.

Section 97212 text has been modified to reflect non-substantive changes to subsections (o) and (t) that were approved October 2, 2013 (OAL File # 2013-0827-01N).

CCR Section 97215 Format.

When these regulations were noticed we anticipated using the September 24, 2012 versions of both Format and File Specifications documents. However those versions had to be updated to incorporate the non-substantive AB 1382 terminology changes to the names of some data elements to reflect ICD-10 nomenclature. The updated versions are dated January 1, 2014. It is the January 1, 2014 versions that facilities will be required to use with the ICD-10 transition and that are incorporated by reference in this section.

In the Format and File Specifications documents the only changes are to the names of data elements not to the reporting requirements or the data specifications, therefore these changes are nonsubstantial changes as defined in Title 1, CCR, §40.

Section 97215 (a)

Subsection (a) of 97215 formally incorporates by reference the updated "Format and File Specifications for MIRCal Online Transmission: Inpatient Data" documentation.

Section 97215 (b) and (c)

Subsection (b) of 97215 formally incorporates by reference the updated "Format and File Specifications for MIRCal Online Transmission: Emergency Care and Ambulatory Surgery Data" documentation.

Updating the names of the data elements to be consistent with ICD-10 terminology requires a revision of the document; the revision date is January 1, 2014. These changes will not cause any confusion as the statutory changes were made to follow the nomenclature of the industry. Because the terminology update does not change the proposed ICD-10 reporting requirements the changes are nonsubstantial changes as defined in Title 1, CCR, §40.

CCR Section 97227 Definition of Data Element for Inpatients—External Causes of Morbidity and Present on Admission Indicator.

Subsection (a)(2) was written using the term "causes of injury" because that was the term in statute at the time. As a result of AB 1382, this paragraph has been reworded. The rewording caused no changes in reporting requirements. As explained above, the updates are nonsubstantial changes. A typographical error misstating the end of the range of codes describing Causes of Morbidity as V99 was corrected to Y99.

This change will not change the data element reporting – both first and additional external causes of morbidity are still reported. This change was simply made to follow the nomenclature of the industry, and will not cause any confusion. There will be no effect on hospital operations or business practices, or on the reporting obligations of the hospitals.

This change does not materially alter any requirement, right, responsibility, condition, prescription or other regulatory element of the provision. This text alteration is a nonsubstantial change as defined in Title 1, CCR, §40.

CCR Section 97244 Method of Submission.

This section cross-references Format and File Specification documentation referenced and incorporated by reference in section 97215. Please refer to the explanation of changes to Section 97215. At the time of notice it was anticipated that the appropriate new version would be the September 24, 2012 version. However non-substantive updates had to be made to that version. Therefore the version that will be used is dated January 1, 2014. Please see explanation under the explanation of changes to Section 97215.

CCR Section 97260 Definition of Data Element for ED and AS—External Causes of Morbidity.

Prior to AB 1382, Health and Safety Code Sections 128736 and 128737 each identified “principal external cause of injury” and “other external cause of injury” separately. AB 1382 eliminated the distinction in both sections and instead used the single ICD-10 term “external causes of morbidity”, which includes both the principal and other external causes of morbidity. Therefore subsection (b) has been updated to apply to all external causes of morbidity codes and a corresponding change was made to Section 97261.

This change will not change the data element reporting – both the first and other external causes of morbidity are still reported. This change was simply made to follow the nomenclature of the industry, and will not cause any confusion. There will be no effect on hospital operations or business practices, or on the reporting obligations of the hospitals.

This change does not materially alter any requirement, right, responsibility, condition, prescription or other regulatory element of the provision. This text alteration is a nonsubstantial change as defined in Title 1, CCR, §40.

CCR Section 97261 Definition of Data Element for ED and AS—Other External Cause of Injury.

As proposed, section (b) stated an October 1, 2014 implementation date for coding with ICD-10. However, AB 1382 eliminated the need for a separate “other cause of injury” data element by creating a single external causes of morbidity data element. Therefore, with the implementation of ICD-10, Section 97261(b) will be subsumed into Section 97260(b).

This change, with the above described update to Section 97260 will not change the data element reporting – both the first and other external causes of morbidity are still reported. This change was simply made to follow the nomenclature of the industry, and will not cause any confusion. There will be no effect on hospital operations or business practices, or on the reporting obligations of the hospitals.

This change does not materially alter any requirement, right, responsibility, condition, prescription or other regulatory element of the provision. This text alteration is a nonsubstantial change as defined in Title 1, CCR, §40.