

IP Inpatient Discharges

ED Emergency Department

AS Ambulatory Surgery



Tell Us How We Are Doing. Take Our 2 Minute Survey Online.

OSHPD is interested in your opinion and feedback. We would like to hear your opinion about the MIRCal system and your experience reporting ED and AS data. Our survey takes less than 2 minutes and can be accessed at www.oshpd.ca.gov/MIRCal. We will publish our survey results in an upcoming Quick Notes. Make sure we hear from you!

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CHIA Convention Recap

Patient Data Section of OSHPD participated in the California Health Information Association (CHIA) State Convention and Exhibit during the last week of May in Monterey, California. CHIA's objectives are to provide CHIA members and others with presentations that include information they can use in daily operations, in planning for future programs and services, and in professional development. The theme was, "Waves of Innovation: A Sea of Opportunities".

Our presentation, "Emergency Department (ED) and Ambulatory Surgery (AS) Data Reporting to OSHPD" covered the frequently asked questions on reporting periods, due dates, types of facilities to report ambulatory surgery data, locations required for reporting ambulatory surgery procedures, types of emergency departments to report emergency care data, requirements for reporting ED encounters and AS encounters, service dates, observations, E-codes, CPT codes, HCPCS G codes, modifiers, cancelled procedures, crosswalks, and number of extension days for 2005. We also covered security reminders about passwords, licensing information in ALIRTS web site, and future edits. The handouts included interesting preliminary data findings from facilities that were approved or below error tolerance level between April 11th through May 16th. You can access this presentation under What's New in the MIRCal web site at www.oshpd.ca.gov/MIRCal/new.

Our OSHPD booth conveyed our mission to plan and support the development of health care systems, and to provide equitable health care accessibility for the people of California. The booth had displays of analysts' pictures, materials announcing the approval of the ED and AS regulations as of May 5, 2005, and a prize wheel for giving out post-its, notepads, and mini-highlighters. Thanks to all of those who stopped by and chatted with us!

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Don't Delay! Submit Today!

As of July 11th, MIRCal has been open to accept the second quarter (April 1 through June 30, 2005) of ED and AS encounter data. ED and AS data is due to OSHPD by August 14, 2005.

MIRCal is also open to accept the first semiannual (January 1 through June 30, 2005) IP report. IP is due to OSHPD by September 30, 2005.

Submitting early gives your facility ample time to correct your data as well as address any unforeseen problems. Have you submitted your records? Log on and submit today!

ED & AS Data Submissions Were A Success!

- ❖ The MIRCal system opened on April 11, 2005, to all ED & AS facilities for the first time to begin reporting their January – March 2005 records to OSHPD.
- ❖ Congratulations to **Huntington Beach Hospital** whose ED & AS data were the first to be approved on April 12th.
- ❖ Congratulations to **Sutter North Procedure Center**. They are the first freestanding ambulatory surgical clinic to receive "Approved" status. Their data was approved on April 13th.
- ❖ 340 ED facilities reported a total of 2,137,740 records and 808 AS facilities reported a total of 692,126 records.
- ❖ A special "**thank you**" to all facilities that made the collection of ED & AS data a true accomplishment!

CASA 2005 17th Annual Conference

Visit OSHPD representatives at the California Ambulatory Surgery Association (CASA) Annual Conference September 7-9, 2005, in Sacramento, CA. One of our staff will be presenting "Success Along the MIRCal Path" on September 8th at 10:15am. For more information about CASA and the conference, visit their web site at www.casurgery.org.

**You Are Invited to Open House
September 7, 2005
11:00am – 12:00pm**

While you are attending the CASA Convention in Sacramento, CA, the Patient Data Section would like to cordially invite you to attend our Open House on Wednesday, September 7, 2005. This would be a great time to meet the analysts who work with you on the Medical Information Reporting for California (MIRCal) and Automated Licensing Information for Reporting Tracking System (ALIRTS). Come tour our office. Refreshments will be served. We are located at 818 K Street, Room 100, a short walk from the Convention Center. Maps will be provided at the convention.





Helpful Information Found in the ED and AS Reporting Manual

Procedures:

Did you know there are clarifications provided for reporting procedures? For example, a table is provided describing what procedure codes are to be reported to OSHPD. This is a result of your frequently asked questions.

Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)			
	Terminology	Codes	For OSHPD
Level I	"CPT"		
	Category I	00001-99999	Report
	Category II	0001F-9999F	Do not report*
	Category III	0001T-9999T	Report
	Modifiers	-00 thru -99	Do not report*
	Terminology	Codes	For OSHPD
Level II	"National Codes" or "HCPCS"	A0000-V9999	Do Not Report*
	Modifiers	-AA thru -ZZ, -A thru -Z, and -A1 thru -Z9	Do Not Report*
* "Do Not Report" will cause an error, if reported to OSHPD.			

Disposition:

Did you know there are examples provided for reporting patient's disposition? One example scenario explains what disposition code to use for reporting patient's who left without being seen by a doctor. This is a result of your frequently asked questions.

EXAMPLE 14: DISPOSITION OF PATIENT LEFT WITHOUT BEING SEEN

Amy leaves your Emergency Room before being seen by a provider. The correct disposition would be: No record reported to OSHPD. No encounter took place because there was no face-to-face contact between the patient and the provider.

Be sure to check out the new ED and AS Reporting Manual, First Edition on our web site.



Updated and New Reporting Manuals Available Online

The *California Inpatient Discharge Data Reporting Manual, 4th Edition* and the *California Emergency Department and Ambulatory Surgery Data Reporting Manual, 1st Edition* are now posted on our web site. These manuals have a wealth of information such as recently adopted regulations, clarifications and examples. Also the *ICD-9-CM Coding Edit Manual, Seventh Edition* has been updated with code changes and edit revisions. The manuals should be used as primary resources for reporting to OSHPD. Please see the MIRCAl Resources web page to view and print the manuals.

www.oshpd.ca.gov/MIRCAl/resources.htm

**** IMPORTANT DATES ****

IP Due Dates*:

Jan 1, 2005 - June 30, 2005	Due September 30, 2005
July 1, 2005 - Dec 31, 2005	Due March 31, 2006

ED & AS Due Dates*:

Apr 1, 2005 - June 30, 2005	Due August 14, 2005
July 1, 2005 - Sept 30, 2005	Due November 14, 2005
Oct 1, 2005 - Dec 31, 2005	Due February 14, 2006

IP, ED & AS Extension Days:

A maximum of 14 extension days for each 2005 report.

* *Report Periods & Due Dates Calendar for IP, ED & AS can be found on the MIRCAl web site.*