

**90-590 Maine Health Data Organization  
Basis Statement**

**Chapter 241: Uniform Reporting System for Hospital Inpatient  
Data Sets and Hospital Outpatient Data Sets**  
*(Routine Technical Rule)*

The Maine Health Data Organization is authorized by statute to collect health care data. Chapter 241 governs the provisions for filing hospital inpatient data sets and hospital data outpatient data service sets. The provisions include identification of the organizations required to report; requirements for the content, form, medium, and time for filing the data; standards for the data reported; and compliance provisions.

The proposed changes update links to several source code resources, clarifies the description of valid codes for race and ethnicity data elements, and modifies descriptions for several other data elements to more accurately reflect the requirement.

The MHDO Board met on May 6, 2021 and authorized the MHDO to initiate rulemaking to Chapter 241. A public hearing was held on September 23, 2021 with a public comment period of October 4, 2021. No public comments were received.

The following represent the changes to the rule and the rationale for these changes:

**Appendix A Source Codes** (page 8)

- Changed broken link to obtain the Physicians' Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Manual to that of the American Medical Association's home page where the manual can then be located.
- Changed the Source under the National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) to UB-04 Data Specifications Manual
- Changed the broken link to obtain the UB-04 Data Specifications Manual to NUBC's home page where the manual can then be located.

**Justification:** To maintain the accuracy and usefulness of the Source Codes information the proposed changes are necessary.

### **Appendix B-1 Inpatient Data Submission Specifications (page 14)**

- Record Type 20 Table: IP2017 (Race) - added a statement clarifying when value “8” for Unknown should and should not be used. Also to leave the field blank if no data are available.
- Record Type 20 Table: IP2018 (Ethnicity) - added the code of “7 - Patient Elected Not to Answer”. This code is present for the Race field, so should be for Ethnicity as well. Also a statement has been added clarifying when value “8” for Unknown should and should not be used.
- Record Type 80 Table: IP8009 - corrected the fields and values that determine when IP8009 must be populated.
- Record Type 80 Table: IP8010 - corrected the fields and values that determine when IP8010 must be populated.

**Justification:** Proposed Changes are clarifications that will improve the consistency of the data submissions and overall quality of the data.

### **Appendix B-2 Inpatient Data Record Mapping to National Standards (page 31)**

- Record Type 90: IP9004 - added clause to acknowledge a value may not be present.
- Record Type 90: IP9005 - added clause to acknowledge a value may not be present.

**Justification:** Proposed Changes are clarifications that will improve the consistency of the data submissions and overall quality of the data.

### **Appendix C-1 Outpatient Data Submission Specification (page 46)**

- Record Type 20 Table: OP2016 (Race) - added a statement clarifying when value “8” for Unknown should and should not be used. Also to leave the field blank if no data are available.
- Record Type 20 Table: OP2017 (Ethnicity) - added the code of “7 - Patient Elected Not to Answer”. This code is present for the Race field, so should be for Ethnicity as well. Also a statement has been added clarifying when value “8” for Unknown should and should not be used.
- Record Type 40 Table: OP4005 - clarified the need for this field. Also corrected the Rule paragraph referred to.
- Record Type 40 Table: OP4006 - changed description to more closely match the CMS-1500 definition.
- Record Type 61 Table: Place of Service data elements OP6125, OP6127 and OP6129 have the description changed to more closely match the CMS-1500 definition.
- Record Type 61 Table: Notes at the very bottom have been changed since revenue code 0001 is no longer necessary; however some hospitals still utilize it.
- Record Type 80 Table: OP8009 - corrected the fields and values that determine when OP8009 must be populated.

- Record Type 80 Table: OP8010 - corrected the fields and values that determine when OP8010 must be populated.
- Record Type 90 Table: OP9004 - description change since revenue code 0001 is no longer necessary; however some hospitals still utilize it.

**Justification:** Proposed Changes are clarifications that will improve the consistency of the data submissions and overall quality of the data.

**Appendix C-2 Outpatient Data Record Type 01 Mapping to National Standards (page 67)**

- Record Type 40 Table: OP4005 - clarified the need for this field.
- Record Type 90 Table: OP9004 - clause added since revenue code 0001 is no longer necessary; however some hospitals still utilize it.

**Justification:** Proposed Changes are clarifications that will improve the consistency of the data submissions and overall quality of the data.

**Statutory Authority:** 22 M.R.S.A., Chapter 1683, §8704, sub-§4 and §8708

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