



# PROGRAM ASSISTANCE LETTER

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**TO:** Health Center Program Grantees  
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National Cooperative Agreements

## **I. BACKGROUND**

In this Program Assistance Letter, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is providing information on the changes to the Uniform Data System (UDS) for calendar year (CY) 2010. These include modifications to:

- Provide a revised definition of agriculture in the UDS Manual;
- Report full time equivalents (FTEs) for ophthalmologists, optometrists, and optometric assistants;
- Combine reporting of Symptomatic and Asymptomatic HIV;
- Report Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C patients, visits and tests; and
- Report comprehensive and intermediate eye exam patients and visits.

HRSA collects data annually from section 330-funded health centers through the UDS. The data are reviewed to ensure compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements; improve health center performance and operations; and report overall program accomplishments. The data help to identify trends over time, enabling HRSA to establish or expand targeted programs and identify effective services and interventions to improve the health of underserved communities and vulnerable populations. UDS data are compared with national data to compare differences between the U.S. population at large and those individuals and families who rely on the health care safety net for primary care. UDS data also inform Health Center Program grantees, partners, and communities about health centers and their patients.

## **II. CHANGES FOR CY 2010 UDS REPORTING**

The following changes have been made to UDS Tables for CY 2010.

### **A. Table 4: Characteristics of Special Populations, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers – Revised Agriculture Definition**

The definition of agricultural workers is being changed to align with the Health Center Program statute (section 330(g) of the Public Health Service Act). The following definition will be included in the CY 2010 UDS Manual:

- Agriculture. The term "agriculture" means farming in all its branches, including--
  - (i) cultivation and tillage of the soil;
  - (ii) the production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any commodity grown on, in, or as an adjunct to or part of a commodity grown in or on, the land; and
  - (iii) any practice (including preparation and processing for market and delivery to storage or to market or to carriers for transportation to market) performed by a farmer or on a farm incident to or in conjunction with an activity described in clause (ii).

The impact of this change is likely to increase the number of agriculture workers that are reported because the definition of farming is broader than in previous UDS Manuals.

**B. Table 5: Staffing and Utilization – Addition of Types of Vision Services Providers**

Vision care is a primary care service that has been selected for reporting in the UDS because this care reduces disabilities, costs, and deaths associated with a number of eye diseases and disorders that disproportionately burden target populations served by health centers. The following data elements for vision services providers have been added to UDS Table 5: Staffing and Utilization:

- Line 22a, Ophthalmologist – number of FTEs
- Line 22b, Optometrist – number of FTEs
- Line 22c, Optometric Assistant – number of FTEs
- Line 22d, Total Vision Services – clinic visits and patients

As identified below, eye exams provided by vision service providers are also reported in the UDS because they provide links to early detection, care, treatment and prevention of those who suffer from eye disease and chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, thyroid disease and arthritis. These exams also provide opportunities to promote behavioral changes linked to eye health (e.g., cigarette smoking, excessive use of alcohol).

**C. Table 6A: Selected Diagnoses and Services Rendered**

**1) Combine Symptomatic and Asymptomatic HIV**

People with HIV are reported to go back and forth between symptomatic and asymptomatic during the course of the disease. This creates the likelihood of duplicate reporting of the same patient during the reporting year. Therefore, lines 1 and 2 of Table 6A are combined into a single line on the UDS.

**2) Addition of Data Elements for Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C**

Viral hepatitis is the leading cause of liver cancer and the most common reason for liver transplantation. In the United States, an estimated 1.2 million Americans are living with chronic Hepatitis B and 3.2 million Americans are living with chronic Hepatitis C. Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C have been reported to have a disproportionate impact on minority populations. Lab

tests for these two conditions will assist providers in identifying health center patients that will benefit from treatment.

The following data elements for Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C have been added to Table 6A: Selected Diagnoses and Services Rendered:

- Line 4a: Hepatitis B, along with the applicable ICD-9-CM codes. This line provides the number of patients and visits with a primary diagnosis of Hepatitis B.
- Line 4b: Hepatitis C, along with the applicable ICD-9-CM codes. This line provides the number of patients and visits with a primary diagnosis of Hepatitis C.
- Line 21a: Hepatitis B test, along with the applicable CPT codes. The number of visits and patients receiving Hepatitis B tests are reported on this line.
- Line 21b: Hepatitis C test, along with the applicable CPT codes. The number of visits and patients receiving Hepatitis C tests are reported on this line.

### **3) Addition of Data Elements for Vision**

The following data element for comprehensive and intermediate eye exams has been added to Table 6A: Selected Diagnoses and Services Rendered:

- Line 26d: Comprehensive and Intermediate Eye Exams, along with the applicable ICD-9-CM codes (CPT 92002, 92004, 92012, 92014). This line provides the number of visits and patients receiving comprehensive eye exams.

These changes will be included in the 2010 UDS manual trainings, technical assistance, and frequently asked questions.

Please note that final rules for reporting with ICD-10 (International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision) codes were published on January 16, 2009. These rules provide that implementation of ICD-10 codes will be on or after October 1, 2013. While ICD-10 codes will apply to the 2013 Uniform Data System, providers are expected to meet Version 5010 electronic claims transactions standards effective January 2012, thereby setting the stage for ICD-10 reporting in 2013. We strongly encourage you to plan for the implementation of these changes in January 2012. HRSA will work with the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services in developing technical assistance resources for health centers on Version 5010 and ICD-10.

If you have any questions regarding changes to the 2010 UDS, please contact the Office of Quality and Data at [OQDComments@hrsa.gov](mailto:OQDComments@hrsa.gov) or 301-594-0818.

Sincerely,

/S/

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Attachment

**TABLE 5 – STAFFING AND UTILIZATION**

Personnel by Major Service Category		FTEs ( a )	Clinic Visits ( b )	Patients ( c )
1	Family Physicians			
2	General Practitioners			
3	Internists			
4	Obstetrician/Gynecologists			
5	Pediatricians			
6				
7	Other Specialty Physicians			
8	<b>Total Physicians (Lines 1 – 7)</b>			
9a	Nurse Practitioners			
9b	Physician Assistants			
10	Certified Nurse Midwives			
10a	<b>Total “Mid-Levels” (Lines 9a - 10)</b>			
11	Nurses			
12	Other Medical personnel			
13	Laboratory personnel			
14	X-ray personnel			
15	<b>Total Medical (Lines 8 + 10a through 14)</b>			
16	Dentists			
17	Dental Hygienists			
18	Dental Assistants, Aides, Techs			
19	<b>Total Dental Services (Lines 16 – 18)</b>			
20a	Psychiatrists			
20a1	Licensed Clinical Psychologists			
20a2	Licensed Clinical Social Workers			
20b	Other Licensed Mental Health Providers			
20c	Other Mental Health Staff			
20	<b>Mental Health (Lines 20a-c)</b>			
21	<b>Substance Abuse Services</b>			
22a	Ophthalmologists			

Personnel by Major Service Category		FTEs ( a )	Clinic Visits ( b )	Patients ( c )
22b	Optometrists			
22c	Optometric Assistant s			
22d	<b>Total Vision Services (Lines 22a-c)</b>			
22	<b>Other Professional Services (specify___)</b>			
23	<b>Pharmacy Personnel</b>			
24	Case Managers			
25	Patient / Community Education Specialists			
26	Outreach Workers			
27	Transportation Staff			
27a	Eligibility Assistance Workers			
27b	Interpretation Staff			
28	Other Enabling Services (specify___)			
29	<b>Total Enabling Services (Lines 24-28)</b>			
29a	<b>Other Programs / Services (specify___)</b>			
30a	Management and Support Staff			
30b	Fiscal and Billing Staff			
30c	IT Staff			
30	<b>Total Administrative Staff (Lines 30a-30c)</b>			
31	Facility Staff			
32	Patient Support Staff			
33	<b>Total Admin &amp; Facility (Lines 30 – 32)</b>			
34	<b>Total (Lines 15+19+20+21+22+23+29+29a+33)</b>			

**TABLE 6A – SELECTED DIAGNOSES AND SERVICES RENDERED**

Diagnostic Category	Applicable ICD-9-CM Code	Number of Visits by Primary Diagnosis (A)	Number of Patients with Primary Diagnosis (B)
<b>Selected Infectious and Parasitic Diseases</b>			
1, 2.	Symptomatic and Asymptomatic HIV	042.xx , 079.53, V08	
3.	Tuberculosis	010.xx – 018.xx	
4.	Syphilis and other sexually transmitted diseases	090.xx – 099.xx	
4a.	Hepatitis B	070.20,070.22, 070.30, 070.32	
4b.	Hepatitis C	070.41, 070.44, 070.51, 070.54, 070.70, 070.71	
<b>Selected Diseases of the Respiratory System</b>			
5.	Asthma	493.xx	
6.	Chronic bronchitis and emphysema	490.xx – 492.xx	
<b>Selected Other Medical Conditions</b>			
7.	Abnormal breast findings, female	174.xx; 198.81; 233.0x; 793.8x	
8.	Abnormal cervical findings	180.xx; 198.82; 233.1x; 795.0x	
9.	Diabetes mellitus	250.xx; 775.1x	
10.	Heart disease (selected)	391.xx – 392.0x 410.xx – 429.xx	
11.	Hypertension	401.xx – 405.xx	
12.	Contact dermatitis and other eczema	692.xx	
13.	Dehydration	276.5x	
14.	Exposure to heat or cold	991.xx – 992.xx	
14a.	Overweight and obesity	ICD9CM Code: 278.0 – 278.02 or V85.xx excluding V85.51 and V85.52	
15.	Otitis media and eustachian tube	381.xx – 382.xx	

Diagnostic Category		Applicable ICD-9-CM Code	Number of Visits by Primary Diagnosis (A)	Number of Patients with Primary Diagnosis (B)
	disorders			
16.	Selected perinatal medical conditions	770.xx; 771.xx; 773.xx; 774.xx – 779.xx (excluding 779.3x)		
17.	Lack of expected normal physiological development (such as delayed milestone; failure to gain weight; failure to thrive)-- does not include sexual or mental development; Nutritional deficiencies	260.xx – 269.xx; 779.3x; 783.3x – 783.4x		
<b>Selected Mental Health and Substance Abuse Conditions</b>				
18.	Alcohol related disorders	291.xx, 303.xx; 305.0x 357.5x		
19.	Other substance related disorders (excluding tobacco use disorders)	292.1x – 292.8x 304.xx, 305.2x – 305.9x 357.6x, 648.3x		
19a.	Tobacco use disorder	305.1		
20a.	Depression and other mood disorders	296.xx, 300.4 301.13, 311.xx		
20b.	Anxiety disorders including PTSD	300.0x, 300.21, 300.22, 300.23, 300.29, 300.3, 308.3, 309.81		
20c.	Attention deficit and disruptive behavior disorders	312.8x, 312.9x, 313.81, 314.xx		
20d.	Other mental disorders, excluding drug or alcohol dependence (includes mental retardation)	290.xx 293.xx – 302.xx (excluding 296.xx, 300.0x, 300.21, 300.22, 300.23, 300.29, 300.3, 300.4, 301.13); 306.xx - 319.xx (excluding 308.3, 309.81, 311.xx, 312.8x, 312.9x,313.81,314.xx)		
<b>Selected Diagnostic Tests/Screening/Preventive Services</b>				
21.	HIV test	<b>CPT-4:</b> 86689; 86701-86703; 87390-87391		
21a.	Hepatitis B test	<b>CPT-4:</b> 86704,86706, 87515-87517		
21b.	Hepatitis C test	<b>CPT-4:</b> 86803-86804, 87520-87522		
22.	Mammogram	<b>CPT-4:</b> 77055-77057 OR		

Diagnostic Category		Applicable ICD-9-CM Code	Number of Visits by Primary Diagnosis (A)	Number of Patients with Primary Diagnosis (B)
		<b>ICD-9:</b> V76.11; V76.12		
23.	Pap test	<b>CPT-4:</b> 88141-88155; 88164-88167 OR <b>ICD-9:</b> V72.3; V72.31; V76.2		
24.	Selected Immunizations: Hepatitis A, Hemophilus Influenza B (HiB), Influenza virus, Pneumococcal, Diptheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) (DTP) (DT), Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Poliovirus, Varicella, Hepatitis B Child)	<b>CPT-4:</b> 90633-90634, 90645 – 90648; 90657 – 90660; 90669; 90700 – 90702; 90704 – 90716; 90718; 90720-90721, 90723; 90743 – 90744; 90748		
24a.	Seasonal flu vaccine	<b>CPT-4:</b> 90655-90662		
24b.	H1N1 Flu vaccine	<b>CPT-4:</b> 90663; 90470		
25.	Contraceptive management	<b>ICD-9:</b> V25.xx		
26.	Health supervision of infant or child (ages 0 through 11)	<b>CPT-4:</b> 99391-99393; 99381-99383; 99431-99433 OR <b>ICD-9:</b> V20.xx; V29.xx		
26a.	Childhood lead test screening (9 to 72 months)	<b>CPT-4:</b> 83655		
26b.	Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral (SBIRT)	<b>CPT-4:</b> 99408-99409		
26c.	Smoke/tobacco counseling; Smoking cessation treatment	<b>CPT-4:</b> 99406 and 99407; S9075		
26d.	Comprehensive and intermediate eye exams	<b>CPT-4:</b> 92002, 92004, 92012, 92014		
<b>Selected Dental Services</b>				
27.	I. Emergency Services	<b>ADA:</b> D9110		
28.	II. Oral Exams	<b>ADA:</b> D0120, D0140, D0145, D0150, D0160, D0170, D0180		
29.	Prophylaxis – adult or child	<b>ADA:</b> D1110, D1120,		
30.	Sealants	<b>ADA:</b> D1351		
31.	Fluoride treatment – adult or	<b>ADA:</b> D1203, D1204, D1206		

	Diagnostic Category	Applicable ICD-9-CM Code	Number of Visits by Primary Diagnosis (A)	Number of Patients with Primary Diagnosis (B)
	child			
32.	III. Restorative Services	<b>ADA:</b> D21xx, D23xx, D27xx		
33.	IV. Oral Surgery (extractions and other surgical procedures)	<b>ADA:</b> D7111, D7140, D7210, D7220, D7230, D7240, D7241, D7250, D7260, D7261, D7270, D7272, D7280		
34.	V. Rehabilitative services (Endo, Perio, Prosth, Ortho)	<b>ADA:</b> D3xxx, D4xxx, D5xxx, D6xxx, D8xxx		

Note: Encounters and patients are reported by Primary Diagnosis for lines 1-20d.

Note: x denotes any number including the absence of a number in that place.

- I International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification, Volumes 1 and 2, 2008. American Medical Association.
- II Current Procedural Terminology, CPT 2008. American Medical Association.
- III Current Dental Terminology, CDT 2007 / 2008. American Dental Association.