

Notes from the OCCR Data Manager's Desk

NAACCR Version 13 Upgrade

The magnitude of changes being implemented in version 13 is relatively small. The major changes are new country and state data items added as part of an initiative to standardize to interoperable geographic area codes. Ten new items have been added for coding secondary diagnoses (the new name for comorbidities and complications) in ICD-10-CM. Cases diagnosed on or after January 1, 2013, must be collected and reported in accordance with the 2013 data standards. There are no changes to the Collaborative Stage for 2013. The current version CSv0204 will continue to be used until the next release (CSv0205) that will be effective in January 2014. Also, there are no changes to the Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules for 2013.



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Many facilities are nearing the end of reporting all 2012 cases. As a reminder, be sure and contact your software vendor to upgrade your software to version 13 before you start abstracting the 2013 cases. If you are a RMCDS user, please see information regarding the RMCDS upgrade below.

The OCCR will continue to accept records in version 12.2; however, please keep in mind that 2013 cases submitted to the OCCR in version 13 will not be processed until our database has been upgraded. You can expect a slight time lapse in receiving a response from your consultant regarding the number of cases processed. Also, it would be very helpful to list in the comment section of Web Plus if your file upload is in version 13. If you have any questions regarding the version 13 upgrade, please contact Paula Marshall at (405)271-9444, ext 57121 or at paulam@health.ok.gov.

Web Plus Upgrade to NAACCR Version 13

A full conversion of the Web Plus database and release of the NAACCR version 13 software is planned for July 2013. After the version 13 upgrade is completed, file uploads will have edits run automatically upon upload.

Version 12.2 uploaded files will still be accepted after our database has been upgraded; however, the running of edits will automatically be deferred and ran through edits manually. An edit report is created, an email is sent to the OCCR Administrator and the File Uploader notifying them that the edits have run, and the error report will be available for viewing with the next login to Web Plus. Once all errors have been corrected, the file will need to be uploaded again to the OCCR via Web Plus. Please contact Paula Marshall at (405)271-9444, ext 57121 or at paulam@health.ok.gov for any questions.

RMCDS Upgrade to NAACCR Version 13

All RMCDS users will be required to upgrade their system to version 13 before starting to abstract 2013 cases. This upgrade is a very short and simple procedure. You will see a few new variables relating to state and country codes on the updated screen.

Please contact Paula Marshall at (405)271-9444, ext 57121 or at paulam@health.ok.gov to schedule your upgrade and updated abstract screen.