



Oklahoma State Department of Health
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Dear Administrator,

The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) has updated administrative rules related to the Health Care Information Act (63 O.S. § 1-115 et seq.) in an effort to collect more timely data and fill a significant data gap related to health events, access to care and cost. Updates to OAC 310:9 include the requirement for more rapid reporting of the existing hospital discharge data types, the requirement for the submission of emergency department (ED) discharge data and it modernized existing rules related to notifications and reporting formats. Key changes are as follows:

- Discharge data providers (inpatient, outpatient surgery and ambulatory surgery center discharges) submit the required data within 60 days after the end of each calendar quarter, beginning in 2020 (Example: Jan-Mar 2020 discharge data are to be submitted by May 30th).
- Emergency department data is to be reported within 45 days (preferably 30) after the end of the submission period (example: January data must be submitted by March 15). *Please note: ED data correction or replacement files may be submitted within 60 days after the end of each calendar quarter (example: all quarter 1 resubmissions must be submitted by May 30). Error processing spreadsheets will be addressed on the same schedule as the inpatient and outpatient surgery data, at the end of each quarter.*

The submission manuals for all discharge data types (including newly required ED data) can be found on:

https://www.ok.gov/health/Data_and_Statistics/Center_For_Health_Statistics/Health_Care_Information/Hospital_Discharge_&_Outpatient_ASC_Surgery_Data/Data_Submissions_&_Training/index.html

OSDH is also piloting a RESTful API process for data submission with a few facilities. Once the pilot is complete we will notify facilities and open enrollment to all facilities wishing to use the new submission process.

Facilities are welcome (and encouraged) to begin the more frequent data submission and the submission of emergency department data prior to 2020. Facilities that would like to submit 2019 data through the discharge data collection process to meet the poisoning reportable conditions requirements (OAC 310:515-1-4) are welcome to do so.

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Sincerely,

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