

FINAL TEXT OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF
REGULATIONS, TITLE 22, DIVISION 7,
CHAPTER 10, HEALTH FACILITY DATA

ARTICLE 8: PATIENT DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

97240. Request for Modifications to Patient Data Reporting.

(a) Reporting facilities may file a request with the Office for modifications to Hospital Discharge Abstract Data, Emergency Care Data, or Ambulatory Surgery Data reporting requirements. The modification request shall be supported by a detailed justification of the hardship that full reporting of data would have on the reporting facility; an explanation of attempts to meet data reporting requirements; and a description of any other factors that might justify a modification. Modifications may be approved for no more than one year. ~~Each reporting facility with an approved modification must request a renewal of that approval 60 days prior to termination of the approval period in order to have the modification continue in force.~~ Modifications to the data reporting requirements must be approved before data to which they apply will be accepted. Any modifications to reporting requirements are subject to disclosure to data users.

(b) ~~The criteria to be considered and weighed by the Office in determining whether a modification to data reporting requirements may be granted are as follows:~~

~~(1) The modification would not impair the ability of either providers or consumers to make informed health care decisions.~~

~~(2) The modification would not deprive the public of data needed to make comparative choices with respect to scope or type of services or to how services are provided, and with respect to the manner of payment.~~

~~(3) The modification would not impair any of the goals of the Act.~~

In determining whether a modification to data reporting requirements will be approved, the Office shall consider the information provided pursuant to subsection (a) and evaluate whether the requested modifications would impair the Office's ability to process the data or interfere with the purposes of the data reporting programs under the Act.

(c) Reporting facilities that did not have any discharges or encounters that are required to be reported pursuant to Section 97213(a) for a specific report period must complete and submit a separate No Data to Report form (OSH-HID 772) as Revised January 2011 on or before the required due date of the report either by using the online screen available through the MIRCal system or by printing the online No Data to Report form and mailing or faxing it to the Office for that report period.

(d) Any facility that is not licensed to provide inpatient care, or does not provide Emergency Care encounters, or does not provide outpatient procedures, or is not licensed as a surgical clinic, and from whom such reporting is not therefore expected, is not required to file a No Data to Report form.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 128760 and 128810, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 128735, 128736, 128737 and 128760, Health and Safety Code.