

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND INFORMATION  
CALIFORNIA INPATIENT DATA REPORTING MANUAL, EIGHTH EDITION**

**DISCHARGE DATA ELEMENTS FOR INPATIENTS**

The discharge data set for Inpatients include the following data elements (in alphabetical order):

Admission Date  
Date of Birth  
Discharge Date  
Disposition of Patient  
Expected Source of Payment  
External Causes of Morbidity and Present on Admission Indicator  
Other Diagnoses and Present on Admission Indicator  
Other Procedures and Dates  
Patient Social Security Number  
Preferred Language Spoken  
Prehospital Care and Resuscitation (DNR – Do Not Resuscitate)  
Principal Diagnosis and Present on Admission Indicator  
Principal Procedure and Date  
Race  
Sex  
Source of Admission  
Total Charges  
Type of Admission  
ZIP Code

**Additional Reporting Requirements**

The reporting facility has the option to include the Abstract Record Number for use by HCAI and the reporting hospital to identify specific records for correction. If submitted, the abstract record number is deleted prior to release of public data.

The Facility Identification Number is a required part of the discharge data record. Using the reported data elements, HCAI computes and adds to the discharge data record the appropriate Medicare Severity-Diagnosis Related Group (MS-DRG) and Major Diagnostic Category (MDC), using the current version of the Grouper approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Type of Care is also a required part of the discharge record. Type of Care may be one of the following: Acute Care, Chemical Dependency Recovery Care, Psychiatric Care, Physical Rehabilitation Care, or Skilled Nursing/Intermediate Care.