# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE ACESS AND INFORMATION CALIFORNIA INPATIENT DATA REPORTING MANUAL, EIGHTH EDITION

## **PATIENT ADDRESS**

## Section 97219

(a) Effective with discharges on or after January 1, 2023, the patient's address shall be reported. The address shall include the address number and street name, city, state, and ZIP Code. Do not report the address of the hospital. If more than one address is available for the patient, report the address of the patient's usual residence. If exact address is unknown or the patient is experiencing homelessness, provide as much information as possible.

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|---|---|--|--|--|
| CITY  If the city is not part of the United States, leave blank |   |  |  |  |
| STATE   | ZIP CODE  XXXXX = Unknown  YYYYY = Does not reside in the U.S.  | COUNTRY CODE  Use an ISO 3166 alpha-2, two-digit country code from the list available at www.iso.org/iso-3166-country-codes.html |  |  |

- (1) The address number and street name shall be reported.
  - (A) If the address number and/or street name are unknown, leave blank.
  - (B) If the address is not part of the United States, leave blank.
- (2) The city shall be reported.
  - (A) If the city is unknown, leave blank.
  - (B) If the city is not part of the United States, leave blank.

#### DISCUSSION

- If the City of Residence is known, but not the street address, report a partial ZIP
  Code (the first 3 digits). In cases where the city has multiple ZIP Codes and the
  first 3 digits do not match, it is appropriate to report the city name and the ZIP Code
  as Unknown XXXXX.
  - (3) The state shall be reported using a standard two letter abbreviation.
    - (A) If the state is unknown, leave blank.
    - (B) If the state is not part of the United States, leave blank.

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- (4) The ZIP Code shall be reported using the unique code assigned to a specific geographic area by the United States Postal Service.
  - (A) If the patient has a 9-digit ZIP Code, only the first five digits shall be reported.
  - (B) Unknown ZIP Codes shall be reported as "XXXXX."
  - (C) ZIP Codes for persons who do not reside in the U.S. shall be reported as "YYYYY."

### DISCUSSION

- ZIP Codes may be verified by calling 1-800-ASK-USPS (1-800-275-8777).
- The web address for the United States Postal Service is www.USPS.com
  - (5) For patients with a non-US residence, report the country.

### DISCUSSION

Use an ISO 3166 alpha-2, two-digit country code from the list available at <a href="https://www.iso.org/iso-3166-country-codes.html">https://www.iso.org/iso-3166-country-codes.html</a>. Some common country codes are listed in the table below:

| Country:  | Code: | Country:          | Code: |
|-----------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Australia | AU    | Germany           | DE    |
| Canada    | CA    | Mexico            | MX    |
| China     | CN    | Philippines (the) | PH    |
| France    | FR    | United Kingdom    | GB    |

- (6) Indicate whether a patient was experiencing homelessness at the time of admission. This may include chronic, episodic, or transitional homelessness, or in temporary shelter:
  - (A) Include "Y" for patients experiencing homelessness.
  - (B) Include "N" for patients not experiencing homelessness.
  - (C) "U" for Unknown.

### DISCUSSION

- Report the patient's physical address. If a PO Box is the only address available, it may be reported. If the patient's address is not on file or is unattainable, you may report the address as unknown.
- If the patient is an inmate in short-term incarceration, it is appropriate to report their usual residential address. If the patient's address is not on file or is unattainable, you may report the address as unknown. If the patient is admitted from prison, report the physical address of the prison.

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