

# 2020-2021 QHAPDC File Format Summary of changes v1.1

Queensland Hospital  
Admitted Patient Data  
Collection (QHAPDC)

## Summary of changes

The following changes will be implemented in the Queensland Hospital Admitted Patient Data Collection (QHAPDC) for the 2020-2021 data collection period to meet Department of Health, State and National reporting requirements. These changes will be applied to the *public hospital services* and *private facility file formats* respectively as referenced in the table below.

Change Description	Reference Page/s
<p><b>1. Version 10.0 DRGs to be reported by facilities providing public hospital services</b> AR-DRG Version 10.0 Grouper will be used for allocating DRGs. Public hospitals, the Mater Hospital Brisbane and Mater Mothers' Hospital South Brisbane are required to provide Version 10.0 DRGs to align with the Queensland Department of Health Activity Based Funding (ABF) Model for admitted patient separations for 2020-2021.</p> <p><i>NB: Private facilities (excluding Mater Hospital Brisbane and Mater Mothers' Hospital South Brisbane) are not required to provide DRG codes.</i></p>	Public FF – 18
<p><b>2. New Account Class Codes (COVID-19)</b> A new National Partnership Agreement (NPA) has been signed between the Commonwealth and the State to support and fund Hospital and Health Services managing the system-wide response to the corona virus (COVID-19). To identify activity related to COVID-19 and support numerous departmental reporting requirements, the following Account Class codes have been created:</p> <p><b>New Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPECOV - GEN PUB ELIG COVID19</li> <li>• GPECOVSD - GEN PUB ELIG COVID19 SAME DAY</li> <li>• GPICOV - GEN PUBLIC INELIG COVID19</li> <li>• GPICOVSD - GEN PUBLIC INELIG COVID19 SAME DAY</li> </ul> <p>These codes were released to HBCIS on 27/03/2020 and can be used for admitted patient episodes of care separated on or after 1 January 2020.</p> <p><i>NB: The existing Funding Source code 01 – Health Service Budget (not covered elsewhere) is to be used in conjunction with these new account class codes.</i></p> <p><i>Further information regarding counting, coding and costing for COVID-19 will be provided in due course.</i></p>	Public FF – 15, 24
<p><b>3. New Mode of Separation codes - Residential aged care</b> In December 2019, the National Health Data and Information Standards Committee (NHDISC) endorsed reporting changes for the 2020-21 <i>admitted</i></p>	Public FF - 17

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<p><i>patient care national minimum data set</i> to address the lack of specificity in data collections for patients separated to residential care which has been identified as an area for improvement by the AIHW and IHPA.</p> <p><b>New Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21-Residential aged care service, which is not the usual place of residence.</li> <li>• 22-Residential aged care service, which is the usual place of residence.</li> </ul> <p><b>End Date Code</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15-Residential aged care service</li> </ul> <p>These changes are to be applied to admitted patient episodes separated on or after 1 July 2020. When a patient is separated to a residential aged care facility, either of these new codes should be selected. Code 01 – Home/usual residence should no longer be used.</p> <p><i>NB: Business rule change. The new mode of separation code '22' should be used for patients returning to residential aged care services in place of the existing code 01-Home/usual residence.</i></p>	<p>Private FF- 14</p>
<p><b>4. Transferring to Facility - Additional requirements</b> Hospitals are required to provide the facility code the patient is transferring to if the Mode of Separation is 12, 16, <b>21</b> or 31.</p> <p>Along with the changes to the 'mode of separation' codes for residential aged care services, the associated 'transferring to facility' details are to be provided for the codes above.</p> <p>This applies to admitted patient episodes separated on or after 1 July 2020.</p>	<p>Public FF - 18, 60 Private FF- 15, 42</p>
<p><b>5. Preferred Language - Additional reference code African Not Elsewhere Inc (Public Hospitals Only)</b> A new reference code is valid for episodes with a language code on or from 1 July 2020 as follows:</p> <p>9299 - Language code 86 - Coding index AFAR - Language Description African – Not Elsewhere Inc. - Mapped Code Description</p> <p><i>NB: For public hospital facilities the reference file update will be part of the HBCIS June release updates.</i></p> <p><i>This data item is not currently required to be provided by private facilities. However, they may wish to add reference code (929986 - AFAR) in their patient administration systems.</i></p>	<p>Public FF - 21, 61 Private FF- 16</p>
<p><b>6. Telehealth Event Type - Additional reference code Telehandover case conference (Public Hospitals Only)</b> A new reference code value is be added for Telehealth Event Type.</p>	<p>Public FF - 55</p>

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<p><b>New Code</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25-Telehandover case conference</li> </ul> <p>This will apply to public hospital telehealth events where the admitted patient episode was separated on or after 1 July 2020.</p>	
<p><b>7. Standard Unit Code – Shared reference file update</b> A new reference code value is be added to enable the recording of clinical toxicology standard units for admitted telehealth events.</p> <p><b>New Code</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTOX – Clinical Toxicology</li> </ul> <p>This new code will be available for selection in the <b>Provider Unit</b> field in the TID screen however as it a shared reference file with the HQI Standard Unit Code reference file, this means it will also available for mapping by sites in relation to their local to standard unit code mapping.</p> <p><i>NB: For public hospital facilities the reference file update will be part of the HBCIS June release updates. Private facilities do not report telehealth data but will be able to use this new code to report Standard Unit Code.</i></p>	<p>Public FF - 18, 25, 55</p> <p>Private FF- 15,19</p>
<p><b>8. DVA file number - Additional prefix 'V'</b> In November 2019, the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) announced a new war code for DVA clients to overcome file number limitations. New clients registering with DVA will now be allocated veteran cards prefixed with "V" (Veteran) rather than "SM" (Serving Member). Existing card numbers will not change. Also, the number of alpha characters DVA file number will not change.</p> <p>For example, in Queensland, a DVA file number on new veteran's cards will be prefixed by 'QV'.</p> <p>The new war reference code and prefixes will be valid for episodes with a DVA file number on or from 1 July 2020.</p> <p><i>NB: For public hospital facilities a corresponding update to allow the recording of the new prefixes is to occur in the HBCIS June release.</i></p>	<p>Public FF - 48, 78</p> <p>Private FF- 37,56</p>

In addition to these changes, there are amendments to validation rules and other incidental updates to both public and private file formats as follows:

Validation Rules and other incidental updates	Reference Page/s
<p><b>9. Smoking Status – Validation rule update (Public Hospitals only)</b> The validation rules have been updated to reflect current validation requirements for the reporting of smoking status.</p> <p>The reporting of the smoking status code must not be null if the care type &lt;&gt; '05 newborn', <b>'07 organ procurement - posthumous or 08 boarder'</b> if the age of patient at admission &gt;= 18 years and mode of separation &lt;&gt; '05 died in hospital'.</p>	<p>Public FF - 61</p>

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<p><b>10. Diagnosis Code Identifier– Additional validation rule</b>            An additional validation rule has been added for this data item for the reporting of the diagnosis code identifier.</p> <p>A diagnosis code identifier of 'PD', 'OD', 'EX' or 'M' cannot be used following a diagnosis code of 'PR'.</p>	Public FF – 69  Private FF- 49
<p><b>11. Terminology updates to conform to METeOR and QHDD</b>            Wording in both 2020/2021 File Format documents have been updated to align with the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare's repository for national meta data standards (METeOR) and Queensland Health Data Dictionary (QHDD) terminology.</p>	Throughout document
<p><b>12. Removal of Activity Code = 'P' HQI 'ACT' File (Public Hospitals only)</b>            The Activity Code 'P – Mental health phase of care' has been removed as an activity type from the public health services file format as these details are no longer required for reporting.</p>	N/A

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