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TITLE 410 INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Proposed Rule  
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DIGEST

Amends [410 IAC 1-2.4-6](#) to update the definition of Health Level 7. Amends [410 IAC 1-2.4-8](#) to provide a requirement that hospitals provide notice of the system being offline and to add additional data fields required to be reported by hospitals. Repeals [410 IAC 1-2.4-11](#). Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher.

[IC 4-22-2.1-5 Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses](#)

[410 IAC 1-2.4-6](#); [410 IAC 1-2.4-8](#); [410 IAC 1-2.4-11](#)

SECTION 1. [410 IAC 1-2.4-6](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

[410 IAC 1-2.4-6](#) "Health Level 7" or "HL7" defined

Authority: [IC 16-19-10-5](#); [IC 16-19-10-8](#)

Affected: [IC 16-19-10](#)

Sec. 6. "Health Level 7" or "HL7" means a health care information messaging and data exchange protocol developed by the Health Level 7 organization, and approved as an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standard for health-related information exchange, ~~In this rule, the reference to HL7 means versions 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5.~~ **and accepted as criteria for electronic transmission by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.**

*(Indiana State Department of Health; [410 IAC 1-2.4-6](#); filed Oct 11, 2005, 12:00 p.m.: 29 IR 798; readopted filed Jul 14, 2011, 11:42 a.m.: [20110810-IR-410110253RFA](#); readopted filed Sep 13, 2017, 4:08 p.m.: [20171011-IR-410170339RFA](#))*

SECTION 2. [410 IAC 1-2.4-8](#) IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

[410 IAC 1-2.4-8](#) Emergency department visit data reporting requirements

Authority: [IC 16-19-10-5](#); [IC 16-19-10-8](#)

Affected: [IC 16-19-10](#)

Sec. 8. (a) This rule applies only to hospitals with emergency departments.

(b) Hospitals with emergency departments shall report all of the emergency department visits at that hospital to the department or the department's designated agent as follows:

(1) Through electronic transfer by HL7 messaging or file transfer protocol. Electronic transfer **of a patient's data** shall occur immediately at the time of the emergency department visit if feasible, but not later than twenty-four (24) hours from the time of ~~the~~ **that patient's** visit.

~~(2) Any hospitals unable to comply with the electronic transfer requirements of this section and section 10 of this rule shall become compliant on or before January 1, 2011.~~

**(2) Hospitals with emergency departments shall provide notice one (1) week in advance of the reporting system being offline for twenty-four (24) hours or more for any reason such as system upgrade or transition if the event was planned. In the event of an unplanned system outage, hospitals with emergency departments shall make all possible attempts to bring the system back online in a timely manner.**

(c) The information that shall be provided to the department or to the department's designated agent under subsection (b) includes the following:

- (1) The name of the hospital or a unique identifier for the hospital approved by the department.
- (2) The patient's name and medical record number.
- (3) The patient's date of birth.
- (4) The patient's sex.

- (5) The street address of the patient's residence.
- (6) The patient's city of residence.
- (7) The patient's state of residence.
- (8) The zip code of the patient's residence.
- (9) The patient's county of residence.
- (10) The date and time of the emergency department visit.
- (11) The patient's chief complaint or complaints.
- (12) The patient's discharge diagnosis or diagnoses (provided at the time of transmission, but not later than seven (7) days from the time of the visit).**
- (13) The date and time of the patient's discharge.**
- (14) The discharge disposition of the patient.**
- (15) The patient's race.**
- (16) The patient's ethnicity.**
- (17) The triage notes (shall be a required field but may be empty if the hospital is unable to send the information).**
- (18) The patient care location name or unique identifier.**

(d) The hospital shall make use of fully automated systems that require no manual intervention to conduct this electronic transfer where possible.

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SECTION 3. [410 IAC 1-2.4-11](#) IS REPEALED.

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