

ENCLOSURE

Technical Notes for the Comprehensive Export of Patient
Registration Files

Missing or incorrect community of residence information on many of the records results in our inability to assign and count a user to the correct Area/service unit; consequently, the user is not counted in the user population at all.

Please keep in mind that sending accurate data to the NPIRS database ultimately impacts allocation of funds and the resources available for each facility.

Two RPMS patches will help to facilitate cleanup. It is important that these patches be installed promptly.

RPMS Patches

Patch #13 -

Will be distributed shortly, and will include a routine to facilitate correction of erroneous community data on all exports. This routine will generate a "Community/City Mismatch Report" that provides registration staff with a tool to improve the data quality in each RPMS database. If the City and the Community of Residence (Community of Residence being the information that is actually exported to the NPIRS database) do not match; the record should be checked for accuracy and, if necessary, a correction made to the record. The Patch release notes will provide information on how this report should be interpreted and used.

Patch #14 -

Will include the comprehensive patient registration export routine. It will also include an automatic correction to a community pointer problem.

Non-RPMS sites should identify issues relating to the re-export project. They will be assisted by the Patient Registration Re-Export Workgroup, along with Area statistical and information systems staff, who will provide the necessary assistance to complete the project.