



**Update**  
**June 3, 2005**

**Status of 1Q05 Data Collection:** Ninety-six hospitals have now submitted 1Q05 inpatient data through the new Wlpop system; an impressive **97 percent** of all current records are valid.

**Data Submitter User Group** Twenty-six hospital representatives took part in the most recent Data Submitter User Group (DSUG) conference call. Several issues and concerns related to the new Wlpop system were discussed. If you did not have the opportunity to participate, you can review a summary of the meeting (in addition to summaries of previous DSUG meetings) on our Web site: [http://www.whainfocenter.com/dsug\\_minutes.htm](http://www.whainfocenter.com/dsug_minutes.htm)

**Extension Deadline Looming:** Facilities that requested and were granted 30-day extensions for submission of 1Q05 data are reminded that the extension deadline is June 16.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you are having any difficulties with Wlpop data submission. The vast majority of issues brought to our attention are easily and quickly resolved. With all the additional data elements and the new file layout, it is easy to overlook some of the more basic requirements.

One common problem we have seen is that facilities have neglected to change their facility ID number in their data submission. The new facility numbers are included in the Wlpop Data Submission Manual (accessible through our Web site at <http://www.whainfocenter.com/wipop.htm>) for your reference. Data submissions will not be accepted into Wlpop with an invalid facility ID.

**4Q04 Data:** All 4Q04 data set orders were fulfilled the week of May 16. Direct purchasers and vendors should have received their data sets by May 20.

The PricePoint Web site ([www.wipricepoint.org](http://www.wipricepoint.org)) has been updated with 4Q04 data. The queries now cover all of calendar year 2004.

**Important Dates and Deadlines**

**June 16:** Extended deadline for submission of 1Q05 inpatient, ambulatory and emergency department data.