



**Update**  
**April 8, 2004**

**Status of 4Q03 Validation Process:** This week, WHA Information Center sent validation queries and instructions to facilities with records that contain possible errors. All corrections related to validation queries must be complete by **Friday, April 23**.

When the validation process is complete, facilities will receive an updated profile for 4Q03 and an affirmation statement. The affirmation statement certifies that the facility's 4Q03 data submission, as summarized in the profile, is correct and complete. It also certifies that the facility has reviewed the validation queries and has changed all records that were incorrect.

**Survey-Submission Deadlines Fast Approaching:** WHA Information Center has communicated instructions to all facilities (12/31 fiscal-year ends) on how to receive a User ID and temporary password for survey submissions. Please call Brian Competente at 268-1835 or 800-231-8340 to receive your password. Time is running out!

Fiscal Survey and Uncompensated Health Care Plan extension requests are due **April 19, 2004**. Annual Survey extension requests are due **April 20, 2004**. Submission deadlines for facilities that don't request an extension are April 29 and 30, respectively.

**Let's Do it Again:** The new quarterly data submission cycle has just started, but two facilities have already submitted 1Q04 data to WHA Information Center. The Center for Aesthetic and Plastic Surgery in Neenah is the first to close its quarter. Congratulations!

**Important Dates and Deadlines**

- April 19:** Deadline to request 30-day extension for 2003 Fiscal Survey and Uncompensated Health Care Plan (12/31 fiscal-year ends).
- April 20:** Deadline to request 30-day extension for 2003 Annual Survey of Hospitals (12/31 fiscal-year ends).
- April 23:** Deadline for correction of 4Q03 validation queries.
- April 29:** Standard deadline for submission of 2003 Fiscal Survey and Uncompensated Health Care Plan (12/31 fiscal-year ends).
- April 30:** Standard deadline for submission of 2003 Annual Survey of Hospitals (12/31 fiscal-year ends).