



2022 Fall Training:

WHAIC is pleased to announce that for the first time in nearly three years we will be hosting in-person training throughout the state. All sessions are held in the morning. Registration typically begins around 8:00 A.M and the program starts promptly at 9:00 AM till about 11:30 AM. A continental (mini) breakfast and beverages will be provided.

Data submission and WIpop training is an opportunity for you to get to know us here at the WHA Information Center (WHAIC) and better understand the statutory requirements in the data submission process, review the data submission file specifications, better understand the usefulness of the reports, review any new upcoming changes for the new year and the significance of signing off on the data and how the data is used.

We encourage you to speak with your team members, supervisors, and others to attend one of the four inperson sessions. Although there is some benefit in hosting virtual trainings (which we have not planned at this time), we feel in-person training allows us to have a more connected experience and gives you the opportunity to interact, ask questions and create a more positive experience in the data submission process.

The 2022 registration is now open and there is no cost to attend. Choose your preferred location to register. 2022 Annual Wipop Training: Pewaukee, WI

2022 Annual Wipop Training: Rice Lake, WI

2022 Annual Wipop Training: Green Bay, WI

*2022 Annual Wipop Training: Madison, WI * Note the Madison date change from 9/21 to 9/22/22

Wipop updates:

Place of Service Update: Effective with **Q322**, WHAIC has moved the (former) observation revenue code 0760 to the place of service 6 – Other Outpatient Hospital Data. The only revenue code that will be counted as true observation will be revenue code 0762.

Payer mapping: Effective with Q222 discharge data submissions, several new edits have been implemented to the payer codes that have been discontinued/eliminated since January 2021. Hence, it's imperative that the mapping is regularly reviewed and updated accordingly. Also, be sure to review the mapping of health plans that are no longer in business and/or transitioned to other payers such as Physicians Plus, Aspirus, and Gundersen Health plan to the appropriate respective categories as per the Appendix 7.3.

Payer Update: Effective with Q122 discharge data release, the name of the mapped payer will be included in the data. Once the payer mapping is included in the data release, I may be contacting facilities for clarification on payer mapping if needed. And, of course, once we release the data, it often leads to new suggestions, ideas, and request for a bit more mapping modification. Please be patient and we ask for understanding with us as we try to refine our datasets.

2023 Potential Data Focus: Mode of arrival, Marital Status, Language, inclusion of ICD-10 codes for Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) and of course continuing to monitor/update payer mapping.

Staff updates:

It comes with a heavy sigh that after 10 years with WHA Information Center, Suzy Staudenmayer has left the organization. Suzy has left to pursue and utilize her talents in a manner that is in-line with her current degree and master's program. Suzy was a valuable member of the team and will be greatly missed.

We will be announcing Suzy's replacement in the coming month, until then we ask that you have patience with us while we make this transition.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon!



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