

Data Points

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New Client Field – Military History

A Military History field has been added to the Client file for Fiscal Year 2010 (which began on July 1, 2009). It is meant to replace the existing Veteran Status field. The Military History field is optional for Fiscal Year 2010, but will be required beginning with July 2010 Client files. Centers that choose not to submit the Military History field for the first year must continue to provide values in the Veteran Status field.

Changes to Living Arrangements Field

Two new allowable values have been added to the Living Arrangements field in the Client file and in the Discharge file. The new codes are:

- 25 - Living in Residence of Family Member
- 26 - Living in Residence of Friend/Acquaintance

The following code is being dropped beginning with Fiscal Year 2011:

- 99 - Other

The reason the new codes were added was to provide an alternative to the use of code 99. That code needs to be dropped because there is no way to “crosswalk” that value to the allowable codes in the TEDS data sets that are submitted to SAMHSA.

Although Code 99 is still allowable through the end of Fiscal Year 2010, we strongly encourage centers to drop its use as soon as possible. Those values are causing problems in the TEDS data sets and are jeopardizing the State’s status with the SAMSHA’s data quality criteria.

Deletions to Event File

Centers may delete individual services from past data files by providing RDMC with a comma-separated text file containing a record for each service to be deleted. Each record in the file should contain the following eight fields to uniquely identify the service: Region Number, Patient Control Number, Service From Date, DMHMRS Modifier 1, Provider Number, Professional Staff ID, Place of Service, and Source of Pay 1. Each field value should be separated by a comma. Centers should contact their RDMC liaison prior to submitting an Event deletion file.

Fiscal Year 2010 CMHC Data Submission Guide

The 2010 Data Submission Guide is available at the MHMR web page. See http://www.mhmr.ky.gov/cmhc/cmhc_data_guide.asp. As usual, you will find a “Summary of Changes” link that itemizes the changes that are being made to the new version of the manual.