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To: Illinois ASTC COMPdata Data Coordinators

From: IHA COMPdata Customer Service Staff

Subject: Implementation of R6 Code for Race - Correction of Start date

***Changes are effective with January 1, 2014 Discharges***

**Effective January 1, 2014 Discharges:**

Correction to memo sent December, 2013. COMPdata has added a new Race Code to indicate a patient is reporting two or more races to begin with *Discharge Dates of January 1, 2014.*

* Race Code = R6 (2 or more races)

**What this means to you:**

* Approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH).
* The R6 code can be used on *data with a discharge date of* January 1, 2014.
* This approach will meet the Census Bureau’s and Meaningful Use Stage 2 requirements.

**Illinois Facilities using IDPH Software (open entry program) ONLY:**

* The program has been updated to accommodate the R6 code.
* You will need to download the updated program [Click here](http://www.compdatainfo.com/Data-Submission-Services/Illinois/IDPH-Reporting-Software.aspx)

Thank you for your support of IHA and COMPdata.

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