

## State-Wide Admitted and Residential Patient Master Financial Classification Code Set Update

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### PURPOSE

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### KEY INFORMATION

Led by the FAPIR Branch, key stakeholders have recently undertaken a major review process of existing fin class code set values and have approved the creation of a single state-wide admitted and residential patient financial classification code set to be implemented in a four-tranche rolling process.

These changes are necessary to ensure compliance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards and Services Australia's Medicare program.

There are several changes to the Financial Classification to:

- Retire some values,
- Add new values, and
- Update existing Fin Class descriptive labels.

Districts and Networks must implement the classification changes within source systems in four tranches, in accordance with the timeframes set by the FAPIR Branch, NSW Ministry of Health.

The classification changes must be applied to all new and current admissions on or after the implementation date set out for each applicable tranche in the following table:

Rollout Tranche	Implementation Date
1. Residential (Aged Care / Psych)	8 December 2020
2. Public / Miscellaneous	23 March 2021
3. Compensable and Medicare Ineligible	11 May 2021
4. Private	8 June 2021

No additional local values or changes to descriptions/labels may be undertaken within this code set unless formally approved in advance by the FAPIR Branch. Please refer to the NSW Health Information Bulletin *Management of State-Wide Master Inpatient Financial Classifications* ([IB2020\\_035](#)) for additional information.

### Financial Classification Implementation Advice

The following advice for the implementation of the financial classification changes should be read in conjunction with [IB2020\\_035](#) released by the Financial Accounting, Policy, Insurance and Revenue (FAPIR) Branch.

The financial classification changes apply to all admitted and residential patient data streams, including HIE and EDWARD, and require modification to source system configuration. It is the responsibility of Districts and Networks to instruct their source system support team to implement the changes outlined in this information bulletin.

Financial classification changes for each tranche must be implemented within source systems and made effective for all new and current admissions occurring on or after the implementation date set out for each applicable tranche in the above table.

These changes require the following tasks to be undertaken within source systems:

- Disabling the continued use and/or selection within the source system of codes being expired.
- Addition of new codes within source systems and code set aliasing, where necessary.
- Modification of existing code descriptive labels to align with descriptions found in the tranche and code set documents referred to below.
- Communication of changes to the source system's business users.

The complete list of Financial Classification codes can be found at:

[http://hird.health.nsw.gov.au/hird/view\\_domain\\_description.cfm?ItemID=46594](http://hird.health.nsw.gov.au/hird/view_domain_description.cfm?ItemID=46594)

Additional information can be found on the NSW Health Admitted Patient Data Collection [intranet page](#).

EDWARD extract source system build guides published on the ASK provide instructions for source system administrators in the code set aliasing requirements for EDWARD extracts.

- [iPM](#)
- [Cerner HNA Millennium](#)

Source system administrators must ensure that no localised changes are made within the source system to the admitted and residential patient financial classification code set.

To request a new Financial Classification code, or to make any changes to a Financial Classification code or descriptive label, Districts and Networks must complete an *Inpatient Financial Classifications Request Form* which can be found in [IB2020\\_035](#). All requests must be signed off by the District/Network Director of Finance prior to submission to the FAPIR Branch, NSW Ministry of Health.

### Clarification Advice

The Ministry of Health is available to provide clarification and advice.

For questions regarding the Financial Classification code set, definitions and business rules, please contact the FAPIR Branch.

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