

SPARCS Update

New York State Department of Health

December 2014

Office of Quality and Patient Safety

General Announcements

Happy Holidays!



The Office of Quality and Patient Safety, Bureau of Health Informatics, and SPARCS Operations wish everyone a healthy and happy holiday season.

ICD-10 Testing

ICD-10 is currently being tested internally. Once internal testing has been completed, it will be opened up to submitters.

Statistical Briefs

Statistical Brief #6, "New York State All Payer Hospital Mortality, 2009-2012," is now available for download from <http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/sb/>. This statistical brief provides a summary of hospital-based crude mortality in New York State based on hospital inpatient discharges for the four year period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2012.

SPARCS Data Collection Advisory Group

Previously, SPARCS Operations issued an invitation to anyone interested in joining the Data Collection Advisory Group. The group will be forming soon and the invitation is still open. If you are interested in collaborating on the data collection process or contributing to the improvement of SPARCS data, please let us know. If you have already notified us, there's no need to do so again. We will be reaching out to those who are interested soon.

Data Release

Year in Summary

During 2014, SPARCS Operations staff processed 111 new applications for SPARCS data and responded to 208 data requests.

Table of Contents

General Announcements

- Happy Holidays!
- ICD-10 Testing
- Statistical Briefs
- SPARCS Data Collection Advisory Group

Data Release

- Year in Summary
- Data Governance Committee
- Limited and Identifiable
- SPARCS Data on Health Data NY

Data Governance Committee

The SPARCS Data Governance Committee held a meeting on December 10, 2014. The following SPARCS data requests were presented at the meeting.

Request	Project Title	Organization
1110-06 (A)	An Analysis of NY State Hospital Utilization Rates for Ambulatory Care Sensitive Diagnoses by Community Socio-Economic Status and Access to Primary Care: Implications for Healthcare Reform	SUNY College at Old Westbury
1403-02 (A)	Determine the Rate of Revision and Explant of Laparoscopic Adjustable Gastric Banding	SUNY Stony Brook University Hospital
1412-01	Tracking Hospital for Special Surgery Patients Post-Discharge	Hospital for Special Surgery
1412-04	Outcomes Research in Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Gynecological Oncology. <i>Subproject 1</i> : 30-day post-hysterectomy admission (and readmission) among gynecological and oncological surgery patients	SUNY Stony Brook Department of Obstetrics
1412-05	Healthcare Costs and Burden Associated with Post-Operative Complications and Events	University of Rochester Medical Center
1412-06	New York Hospital Price Study	NYS Department of Financial Services

The next meeting of the SPARCS Data Governance Committee will be held on January 21, 2014.

Limited and Identifiable

SPARCS data request applications should be submitted to sparcs.requests@health.ny.gov. For the list of all approved identifiable data requests, visit the public website at <http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/dgc/>.

The following organizations received limited or identifiable SPARCS data files in November 2014:

Organization	Data File Type	Years
Bon Secours Health System	Limited	2012-2014
CUNY John Jay College	Identifiable	1982-2013
HealthCare Intelligence, LLC	Identifiable	2013-2014
Hospital for Special Surgery	Identifiable	2013
Intellimed International Corporation	Limited	2013
Mount Sinai Medical Center	Identifiable	2013
Mount Sinai School of Medicine	Limited	2012
National Bureau of Economic Research	Identifiable	2004-2007
NYU School of Medicine	Limited	1982-2013
Stony Brook University Medical Center	Identifiable	2000-2013
SUNY Binghamton	Identifiable	1990-2013
Truven Health Analytics-MMT	Identifiable	2013
University of Rochester Medical Center	Identifiable	2013
USA Today	Limited	2010-2013

SPARCS Data on Health Data NY

The following data files were released this year on New York State's open data portal – Health Data NY:

- Potentially Preventable Emergency Visit (PPV) Rates by Patient County and Patient Zip Code: Beginning 2011.
- Inpatient Prevention Quality Indicators (PQI) for Adult Discharges by Patient County and Patient Zip Code: Beginning 2009
- Inpatient Prevention Quality Indicators (PDI) for Pediatric Discharges by Patient County and Patient Zip Code: Beginning 2009
- Hospital Inpatient Potentially Preventable Readmission (PPR) Rates by Hospital: Beginning 2009
- Potentially Preventable Complications (PPCs) by Hospital: Beginning 2009
- Inpatient Quality Indicators (IQIs) and Patient Safety Indicators (PSIs) by Hospital: Beginning 2009
 - Volume Measures
 - County
 - Composite Measures
- Patient Safety Indicators (PSIs) by Hospital: Beginning 2009
 - Volume Measures
 - County
 - Composite Measures

We welcome comments and feedback. Please contact us at:

SPARCS Operations
Bureau of Health Informatics
Office of Quality and Patient Safety
New York State Department of Health
Empire State Plaza
Corning Tower, Room 878
Albany, New York 12237

Phone: (518) 473-8144

Fax: (518) 486-3518

Information: sparcs.submissions@health.ny.gov

Data Access: sparcs.requests@health.ny.gov

Listserv: sparcs-l@health.state.ny.us

Website: <http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/>

SPARCS Update newsletters are distributed electronically to individuals who have Health Commerce System (HCS) data upload access, subscribers to SPARCS-L, and other interested parties upon request.

*Updates are also available online at:
<http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/newsletters/>*