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All Data Submissions To Be Submitted Directly to Commonwealth Effective Immediately

Effective immediately all THCIC data submissions are to be sent to Commonwealth. Commonwealth will accept test submissions in the THCIC 837 and UB92T format beginning August 9th.

Hospitals that do not submit claims directly themselves to THCIC should give this notice to their submitting agent.

As part of the transition to Commonwealth, all submitting hospitals/vendors must enroll with Commonwealth as a submitting agent and submit a successful test. Upon enrollment, a submitter will be assigned a **Submitter ID and password** by Commonwealth. The Submitter ID and password are required for test submission. Instructions for applying for a Submitter ID and submitting "test" and "production" data are on the CCS web site at **www.thcichelp.com.**

Submitters that currently have test or production data at THIN, will need to submit the data to Commonwealth.

Submitters that encounter problems with enrollment and/or data submission should contact the helpdesk at 888-308-4953.

Important Phone Numbers
Commonwealth Clinical Systems (CCS)
　　　THCIC Helpdesk – 888-308-4953 or THCICHelp@comclin.net
　　　CCS web site – www.thcichelp.com (Please note that this is a new website for the
　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　THCIC help desk.)

TDH-Center for Health Statistics – 512-458-7261

THCIC Staff – 512-458-7111

Bruce Burns	extension 6431	Hospital data submission, 837 format issues
Sylvia Cook	extension 6438	Hospital reports, data use
Terry Salazar	extension 2352	Hospital data submission, correction and certification training
Dee Shaw	extension 3374	Hospital compliance, data sales
Ron Weiss	extension 6453	

THCIC fax – 512-458-7740

Reminders and Deadlines

The hospital discharge data schedule may be downloaded from
http://www.thcic.state.tx.us/hospitals/schedule/schedule.htm.

- 8/6/04 – THCIC Board meeting, 8:30a
- 9/1/04 – Cutoff for 1q04 and 2q04 initial submission