



CIHI Portal Release Notes: Release 15.1

Overview

The CIHI Portal team is pleased to announce the successful completion of Release 15.1. The highlights of this release include the following:

DAD

- Updated 2019–2020 Discharge Abstract Database (DAD) data, grouped with the 2019 Case Mix Group+ (CMG+) and Comprehensive Ambulatory Classification System (CACS) methodologies
- Added new 2020–2021 DAD data and removed 2013–2014 data
- Added new 2020 CMG+ and CACS methodologies and removed the 2018 CMG+ and CACS methodologies
- Grouped 2020–2021 data and regrouped 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data and open-year 2019–2020 data to the 2020 CMG+ and CACS methodologies

NACRS

- Updated 2019–2020 National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS) data, grouped with the 2019 CACS methodology
- Added new 2020–2021 NACRS data and removed 2013–2014 data
- Added new 2020 CACS methodology and removed the 2018 CACS methodology
- Regrouped 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data and open-year 2019–2020 data, and grouped 2020–2021 data to the 2020 CACS methodology
- Modified 2 attributes to provide French values when Portal's language is set to French





DAD environment update

The following section provides details on the data components that have been added to the data warehouse for use within the CIHI Portal DAD project.

Data components

The following data cuts were taken from the DAD production system and loaded in the CIHI Portal environment.

They contain DAD abstracts of Institution Type 1 (Acute Inpatient Care) or A (Day Surgery) that were submitted to and accepted by CIHI by 11:59 p.m. ET on the third business day of the month.

- Updated 2019–2020 DAD data, grouped with the 2019 CMG+ and CACS methodologies
- Added new 2020–2021 DAD data and removed 2013–2014 data

This data cut contains all 2020–2021 DAD abstracts that were submitted to and accepted by CIHI by 11:59 p.m. ET on the third business day of the month.

As part of the annual changes, the 2013–2014 data has been dropped from the Portal DAD project.

- Added new 2020 CMG+ and CACS methodologies and removed the 2018 CMG+ and CACS methodologies
The 2020 CMG+ and CACS methodologies are now available in the Portal DAD project.
- Grouped 2020–2021 data and regrouped 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data and open-year 2019–2020 data to the 2020 CMG+ and CACS methodologies

The 2020 groupers were applied to 2020–2021 open-year data.

The 2020 groupers were applied to the 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data.

The 2020 groupers were also applied to the 2019–2020 open-year data. We will continue to apply the 2020 groupers to the 2019–2020 open-year data until the database closes, and we will do the final release of regrouped 2019–2020 data in a later release.

Notes

- The 2019 groupers remain available for 2014–2015 to 2019–2020 data analyses.
- The 2018 grouper has been dropped from the Portal DAD project.
- Open-year data can change with each release, until the final release.
- You can choose a specific methodology by filtering on the Methodology Year attribute, which you can find here:

DAD\2. DAD Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. Case Mix

The Methodology Year prompt is also embedded in the CIHI Blank Report, which allows you to select a specific methodology when designing a report.



NACRS environment update

The following section provides details on the data components that have been added to the data warehouse for use within the CIHI Portal NACRS project.

Data components

In accordance with monthly NACRS ED Wait Time reporting requirements, the following data cuts were taken on the fourth business day of the month from the NACRS production system and loaded in the CIHI Portal environment.

They contain all NACRS abstracts (levels 1, 2 and 3) that were submitted to and accepted by CIHI by 11:59 p.m. ET on the third business day of the month.

- Updated 2019–2020 NACRS data, grouped with the 2019 CACS methodology
This data cut contains all 2019–2020 NACRS abstracts.
- Added new 2020–2021 NACRS data and removed 2013–2014 data
This data cut contains all 2020–2021 NACRS abstracts that were submitted to and accepted by CIHI by 11:59 p.m. ET on the third business day of the month.
As part of the annual changes, the 2013–2014 data has been dropped from the Portal NACRS project.
- Added new 2020 CACS methodology and removed the 2018 CACS methodology
The 2020 CACS methodology is now available in the Portal NACRS project.
- Regrouped 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data and open-year 2019–2020 data, and grouped 2020–2021 data to the 2020 CACS methodology
The 2020 grouper was applied to 2020–2021 open-year data.
The 2020 grouper was also applied to the 2015–2016 to 2018–2019 historical data.
The 2020 grouper was also applied to the 2019–2020 open-year data. We will continue to apply the 2020 grouper to the 2019–2020 open-year data until the database closes, and we will do the final release of regrouped 2019–2020 data in a later release.
- Modified 2 attributes to provide French values when Portal’s language is set to French
The following 2 attributes will now provide French values when Portal’s language is set to French:
 - Facility Administrative Region
 - Recipient Region



Notes

- The 2019 grouper remains available for 2014–2015 to 2019–2020 data analyses.
- The 2018 grouper has been dropped from the Portal NACRS project.
- Open-year data can change with each release, until the final release.
- You can choose a specific methodology by filtering on the Methodology Year attribute, which you can find here:

NACRS\4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS

The Methodology Year prompt is also embedded in the CIHI Blank Report, which allows you to select a specific methodology when designing a report.

- The Submission Level attribute (found in *NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\6. Submission Level*) can be used to filter and/or display all abstracts (levels 1, 2 and 3) currently available for reporting within CIHI Portal.

Please see the *NACRS Abstracting Manual* for information on the NACRS reporting levels and the differences between them.

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