

Patient Data System

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PDS Outpatient Data Collection® Solution

What is the PDS Outpatient Data Collection® Solution?

The Texas Hospital Association Patient Data System and Thomson Reuters have partnered to offer a data reporting solution for Texas hospitals that are subject to new mandatory outpatient data reporting requirements that begin Oct. 1, 2009.

Through the PDS Outpatient Data Collection Solution, participating hospitals can meet the state's reporting requirements easily and affordably.

What data are reported through this solution?

Texas Health Care Information Collection rules have been adopted that require many Texas hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers to begin reporting data to them on a wide range of surgical and radiological outpatient procedures. The THCIC lists specific revenue codes for which these facilities must report data. While many rural providers are exempt, hundreds of Texas health care facilities are impacted by this new requirement.

Data must be submitted beginning with services provided in the fourth quarter 2009, and are due to the THCIC no later than March 1, 2010.

How does the PDS solution help?

The PDS Outpatient Data Collection Solution reduces the burden for hospitals to meet this new requirement by collecting, processing and submitting participating hospitals' data directly to THCIC for them.

Does my hospital have to be a current PDS client?

No. This service is available to any Texas health care facility impacted by the outpatient reporting rules. If your hospital is a current PDS Care Comparison® (inpatient data reporting) client, simply complete an addendum to your existing Patient Data System agreement. New users can sign up for the Outpatient Data Collection Solution alone, or add the Care Comparison product at the same time.

Can I get analysis of the data?

Yes. Hospitals seeking more than the data submission service can opt also to receive the Market Expert® State Data Analyst, offered through PDS in partnership with Thomson Reuters. This powerful Web-based data reporting and modeling solution provides market and facility-specific utilization trends, market share, physician loyalty and financial analysis details.

What does the PDS Outpatient Data Collection Solution cost?

Contracts are for an initial three-year period, with annual fees based on net patient revenue. Participants are charged a one-time implementation fee of \$1,500, a \$1,000 savings off of Thomson's standard implementation fee.

Who do I contact?

For more information on the PDS Outpatient Data Collection Solution or Market Expert State Data Analyst, contact **Kent Stevens** at kstevens@tha.org or **512/465-1558**.