

# Monthly Asthma Report File

**Description:**

This file will contain a list of all members between the ages of 4 and 50 currently enrolled in an HMO who have had an asthma diagnosis in the current year or the previous year along with asthma related events during this time frame. Criteria to determine an asthma event is based on diagnosis codes, procedure codes, revenue codes and drug codes as specified in the HEDIS Technical Specifications.

**Data Source:**

Data from the interChange fee-for-service claims data as well as HMO Encounter data is used to identify asthmatic members and rendered services.

**File Name:**

The file name will be XXXAsthmaYYYYMM.txt where XXX is the three character abbreviation for the HMO, and YYYYMM is the year and month that the file was produced.

**Delivery Method:**

The file will be delivered to HMOs via secure file transfer accounts. A file for SSI members will be delivered to the HMO's SSI account and a file for BadgerCare Plus members will be delivered to the HMO's BCP account.

**Frequency:**

Monthly on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

**Format:**

Fixed-width ASCII text file. Character fields are left-justified, number fields are right-justified.

Field	Data type	Length	Field Description
Member ID	Character	12	The member's ForwardHealth identification number.
First Name	Character	15	First name of the member.
Middle Initial	Character	1	Middle initial of the member.
Last Name	Character	20	Last name of the member.
Birth Date	Character	8	Birth date of the member, in the format YYYYMMDD.
Age	Number	4	The members age as of the last day of the current month.
Last ER	Character	8	The most recent date the member was admitted to an emergency department with an asthma primary diagnosis in YYYYMMDD format.
ER Count	Number	4	The number of emergency department visits the member had in the past two years with an asthma primary diagnosis.
Last Inpatient	Character	8	The most recent date the member had an inpatient admission with an asthma primary diagnosis in YYYYMMDD format.
Inpatient Count	Number	4	The number of inpatient visits the member had in the past two years with an asthma primary diagnosis.
Last Rx	Character	8	The most recent date the member received an asthma maintenance medication in YYYYMMDD format.
Preferred Rx	Character	1	A 'Y' indicates whether the most recently dispensed drug is preferred for asthma treatment or a 'N' for non-preferred.
Rx Count	Number	4	The number of asthma medications that have been dispensed in the past two years.
Last Outpatient	Character	8	The most recent date the member had an outpatient visit with a listed asthma diagnosis in YYYYMMDD format.
Outpatient Count	Number	5	The number of outpatient visits with a listed asthma diagnosis in the past two years.