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Release of final 2018-19 data specifications for the HCP, HCP1, HCP2, GT-Dental, and PHDB data collections

This circular releases 2018-19 data specifications for the following Hospital Casemix Protocol and Private Hospital Data Bureau data collections, effective 1 July 2018:

- HCP - Hospital to Insurer;
- HCP1 - Insurer to Department;
- HCP2 - Insurer to Department;
- GT-Dental - Insurer to Department; and
- PHDB - Hospital to Department.

A list of changes for 2018-19 can be found on the Department's website alongside the data specifications (see links below). Any changes from the previous year's specifications are indicated in those documents in red text. The specifications and the associated Rules under the *Private Health Insurance Act 2007*, apply from 1 July 2018. The revised data specifications have been developed with the agreement and advice of insurers, service providers and software vendors.

The data specifications can be found on the Department's website at:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-casemix-data-collections-about-HCP>

and

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/health-casemix-data-collections-about-PHDB>

Any questions relating to the final data specifications should be sent to hcp@health.gov.au