

Site-Level Data File Specifications

AHRQ Medical Office Survey on Patient Safety Culture

Use these instructions if you are submitting data from one or more medical offices.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Step 1: Site-level data must be in Excel format (.xls, .xlsx).

Step 2: Include a header row with the variable name for each column.

Please include all variable names from the table below and ensure that each one is entered in the correct column. Failure to do so will result in delays in processing your data.

Step 3: Site IDs must match IDs in respondent-level data file.

Please enter a unique Site ID for each medical office. Make sure that each medical office's Site ID matches its Site ID in your respondent-level data file. This step is crucial for linking site-level and respondent-level data.

Step 4: File must contain one record for each medical office.

Enter each medical office in a separate row, including all required variables from the table below.

DEFINITION OF A MEDICAL OFFICE:

- *A **medical office** is defined as an outpatient facility in a specific location.*
- *Each **medical office** located in a building containing multiple medical offices is considered a separate medical office.*
- *Providers in a single **medical office** should share administrative and clinical support staff. If they do not share these staff, the offices should be considered separate offices.*

| Column | Variable Name | Variable Label | Type | Details/Comments |
|---|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|---|
| Column A* | SiteID | Site ID | Numeric | Unique Site ID matching respondent-level data file. |
| Column B* | SiteName | Site Name | Character | Please use a unique name for each medical office. |
| Column C* | Address1 | Street Address 1 | Character | |
| Column D | Address2 | Street Address 2 | Character | |
| Column E* | City | City | Character | |
| Column F* | State | State | Character | 2-character State abbreviation |
| Column G* | ZipCode | Zip Code | Character | 5-digit zip code (include leading zeroes) |
| Column H | ZipPlusFour | Zip Code +4 | Numeric | 4-digit zip code extension |
| You must enter the name, phone number, and email of the contact person at each medical office. | | | | |
| Column I* | Contact_First | Contact First Name | Character | |
| Column J* | Contact_Last | Contact Last Name | Character | |
| Column K* | Contact_Phone | Contact Phone # | Numeric | 10-digit phone number with no spaces or dashes |
| Column L | Contact_Ext | Contact Extension | Numeric | Phone number extension |
| Column M* | Contact_Email | Contact Email Address | Character | |

*Indicates required information for each medical office.

| Column | Variable Name | Variable Label | Type | Details/Comments |
|-----------|------------------|--|----------------|--|
| Column N* | Ownership | Which best describes the majority ownership of this medical office/practice? | Numeric (1-6) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provider(s) and/or Physician(s) 2. Hospital or Health System 3. University or Academic Medical Center 4. Community Health Center 5. Federal, state, or local government 6. Other |
| Column O* | Denominator | Total number of employees asked to complete the survey | Numeric | Must be 5 or more. |
| Column P* | SurveyMode | What was the mode used to administer the survey? | Numeric (1-4) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Paper 2. Web 3. Mixed mode (paper & web) 4. Other |
| Column Q* | EndMonth | End Month of Data Collection Completion | Numeric (1-12) | Month of data collection completion |
| Column R* | EndYear | End Year of Data Collection Completion | Numeric | Year of data collection completion (YYYY) |
| Column S* | Num_providers_wk | What is the total number of providers (MDs, DOs, PAs, NPs,) working in this medical office location during a typical week? | Numeric | Enter total number of providers working during a typical week (across all providers) |
| Column T* | Type_practice | Which of the following best describes the type of practice at this office location? | Numeric (1-2) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Single specialty 2. Multispecialty |

If single specialty ONLY, select one specialty from the list of specialties in Column U.

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| Column | Variable Name | Variable Label | Type | Details/Comments |
|------------|---------------|---|------|---|
| Column U** | Specialty | What is the specialty of the provider(s) at this office location? | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Allergy/Immunology 2. Anesthesiology 3. Cardiology 4. Child & Adolescent Psychiatry 5. Dermatology 6. Diagnostic Radiology 7. Emergency Medicine 8. Endocrinology/ Metabolism 9. Family Practice/Family Medicine 10. Forensic Pathology 11. Gastroenterology 12. General Practice 13. General Preventive Medicine 14. General Surgery 15. Geriatrics 16. Hematology/Oncology 17. Internal Medicine 18. Medical Genetics 19. Nephrology 20. Neurology 21. Nuclear Medicine 22. OB/GYN or GYN 23. Ophthalmology 24. Orthopedics 25. Otolaryngology 26. Pathology – Anatomic/Clinical 27. Pediatrics 28. Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation 29. Psychiatry 30. Public Health & Rehabilitation 31. Pulmonary Medicine 32. Radiology 33. Rheumatology 34. Surgery (All) 35. Urology 36. Vascular Medicine 37. Other specialty |

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** Required only for single specialty medical offices.