

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 12C and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) will hold a **remote public hearing on <u>Thursday</u>**, November 6, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. relative to the adoption of amendments to the following regulations:

957 CMR 2.00 - PAYER DATA REPORTING 957 CMR 8.00 - APCD AND CASE MIX DATA SUBMISSION 957 CMR 10.00 - HEALTH CARE PAYERS PREMIUMS AND CLAIMS DATA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The amended regulations govern CHIA's data reporting requirements for payers and providers. The proposed amendments align the penalty language in each of these regulations with changes made to M.G.L. c. 12C, § 11 by Chapters 342 and 343 of the Acts of 2024. The proposed amendments also clarify CHIA's process for providing detailed data reporting specifications to reporting entities. Additional changes to 957 CMR 2.00 clarify and add requirements for payer data reporting. Additional changes to 957 CMR 10.00 clarify and add requirements for health care payer premiums and claims data reporting.

It is anticipated that payers and providers will incur no additional administrative costs resulting from the proposed changes to this regulation. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns and no fiscal impact on small businesses.

If you plan to testify at the hearing, CHIA strongly encourages you to register in advance by emailing CHIA-Regulations@state.ma.us. Individuals may also submit written testimony to the same email address. Please include the name of the regulation in the subject line of your email. All submissions must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation (if applicable). Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to the Center for Health Information and Analysis, 501 Boylston Street, Suite 5100, Boston, MA 02116. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, November 17, 2025. This notice and copies of the proposed regulations may be viewed on CHIA's website at www.chiamass.gov/regulations.

To join the remote hearing online, go to:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89778087855?pwd=I7TKomgKliJPRCpIqbcmOZja58GWZz.1, and enter Meeting ID: 897 7808 7855 and Passcode: 609414.

To join the remote hearing by phone, call 1-646-518-9805 or 1-646-558-8656, and enter Meeting ID: 897 7808 7855 and Password: 609414 when prompted.

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

In order to accurately predict the impact the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation will have on small businesses, the promulgating authority must conduct a thorough analysis that not only considers the potential effects of the action but also quantifies the costs, if any, associated with each. The questions below are designed to aid promulgating authorities in conducting their analysis.

Agency Submitting Regulation: Center for Health Information and Analysis ("CHIA")

Subject Matter of Regulation: Payer and Provider Data Reporting; Monetary Penalties

Regulation No: 957 C.M.R. 2.00, 8.00, and 10.00.

Statutory Authority: M.G.L. c. 12C

Other Agencies Affected: None

Other Regulations That May Duplicate or Conflict with the Regulation: None

<u>Describe the Scope and Objectives of the Regulation</u>: Each regulation will be amended to align with changes made to M.G.L. c. 12C, § 11 by Chapters 342 and 343 of the Acts of 2024, which increased the amount of monetary penalties CHIA may impose for failure to comply with reporting requirements. Each regulation is also being amended to clarify CHIA's process for providing detailed data reporting specifications to reporting entities. Additional changes to 957 CMR 2.00 clarify and add requirements for payer data reporting. Additional changes to 957 CMR 10.00 clarify and add requirements for health care payer premiums and claims data reporting.

Business Industry(ies) Affected by the Regulation: Health care

<u>Types of Businesses Included in the Industry(ies)</u>: Private health care payers, providers, and provider organizations who are required to submit data to CHIA.

<u>Total Number of Small Businesses Included in the Regulated Industry(ies)</u> *Please see the attached guidance documents for assistance determining the total number of small businesses*: None.

Number of Small Businesses Potentially Subject to the Proposed Regulation: None.

Effective Date Used In Cost Estimate: September 18, 2025

Yes	No	*Note: For each question, please answer "yes" or "no" and offer a brief explanation. Please describe any facts, data, views, arguments, or other input from small businesses, organizations or any other sources that were used to quantify the impacts outlined below.
Yes	No x	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports? No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to create, file, or issue additional reports.
Yes	No x	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures? No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to implement additional recordkeeping procedures.

Yes	No	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight?
	X	No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to provide additional
		administrative oversight.
Yes	No	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the
	X	proposed regulation?
		No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to hire additional employees in
		order to comply with the proposed regulation.
Yes	No	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals
	X	(e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)?
		No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to hire other professionals.
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Yes	No	Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other
	X	capital investments in order to comply with the regulation?
		No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to purchase a product or make
		any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation.
Yes	No	Are performance standards more appropriate than design standards?
	X	No. The proposed regulations create uniform data reporting standards for each entity in a given
		category of data submitter to ensure Massachusetts has consistent, comprehensive health care
		databases.
Yes	No	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections, or
	X	other regulatory enforcement activities?
		No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to cooperate with audits,
		inspections, or other regulatory enforcement activities.
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Yes	No	Will the regulation have the effect of creating additional taxes and/or fees for small
	X	businesses?
		No. The proposed regulations will not create additional taxes and/or fees for small businesses.
Yes	No	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to
	X	date with regulatory requirements?
		No. The proposed regulations will not require small businesses to provide educational services
		to keep up to date with regulatory requirements.
Yes	No	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
	X	No. The proposed regulations are not likely to deter the formation of small businesses.
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Yes	No	Is the regulation likely to encourage the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts?
	X	No. The proposed regulations are not likely to encourage the formation of small businesses.
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Yes	No	Can the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for
	X	small businesses?
		No. The proposed regulations apply uniform reporting requirements to each entity in a given
		category of data submitter to ensure Massachusetts has consistent, comprehensive health care
		databases.
Yes	No	Can the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or
	X	reporting requirements for small businesses?
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		No. The regulation applies uniform schedules for each entity in a given category of data submitter to ensure Massachusetts has consistent, comprehensive health care databases.
Yes	No x	Can the compliance or reporting requirements be consolidated or simplified for small businesses? No. The regulation applies uniform reporting requirements to each entity in a given category of data submitter to ensure Massachusetts has consistent, comprehensive health care databases.
Yes	No x	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards? No. The proposed regulations create uniform data reporting standards for each entity in a given category of data submitter to ensure Massachusetts has consistent, comprehensive health care databases.
Yes	No x	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses? No. The proposed regulations are not expected to have an adverse impact on small businesses.
Yes	No x	Were any small businesses or small business organizations contacted during the preparation of this document? If so, please describe. No. The proposed regulations are not expected to affect small businesses.