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MEMORANDUM

TO: Triptaa Surve, Project Coordinator
Department of Health

FROM: April Simpson, Alaska Administrative Code Coordinator
Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE: November 24, 2026

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Health

Department of Health regulations re: Health Care Facility Discharge Data Reporting Requirements (7 AAC 27.660)

Attorney General File:	2026200259
Regulation Filed:	11/24/2026
Effective Date:	12/24/2026
Print:	260, January 2027

cc with enclosures: Legislation, Regulations, and Legislative Research Section
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November 20, 2026

The Honorable Nancy Dahlstrom
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Re: Approval and Submission of Regulations for Filing
7 AAC 27.660: DOH - Health Care Facility Discharge Data Reporting Requirements
Our file: 2026200259

Dear Lieutenant Governor Dahlstrom:

Pursuant to AS 44.62.060, the Department of Law has reviewed the enclosed regulations adopted by the Department of Health, concerning the incorporation by reference of the *Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting Program Guidelines*.

Our review examined each regulation for legality, existence of statutory authority, clarity, compliance with the *Drafting Manual for Administrative Regulations*, and conformance with the procedural requirements of AS 44.62.010 - 44.62.290.

Based upon this review, the Department of Law approves each regulation as to form and legality. This letter constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to accept the regulations for filing.

In the course of review, the regulations attorney made technical and conforming changes under AS 44.62.125. These changes are incorporated into the enclosed copy and do not alter the substantive effect or meaning of the regulations.

We hereby submit the regulations to you for filing under AS 44.62.040 on behalf of the Department of Health.

Sincerely,

CORI MILLS
ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL

By: Rebecca C. Polizzotto
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ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The attached regulations, dealing with Health Care Facility Discharge Data Reporting Requirements, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Health adopts under the authority of AS 18.05.040, AS 18.15.355, AS 18.15.360, AS 47.05.010, AS 47.07.070, and AS 47.07.073, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Although no public comments were received, the Department of Health paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Heidi Hedberg Digitally signed by Heidi Hedberg Date: 2026.11.19 13:57:04 -09'00'

Heidi Hedberg, Commissioner
Department of Health

FILING CERTIFICATION

April Simpson for

I, Nancy Dahlstrom, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on November 24, 2026, at 1:09 p.m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

for Lieutenant Governor Nancy Dahlstrom

Effective: December 24, 2026.

Register: 260, January 2027.

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, NANCY DAHLSTROM, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on May 15th, 2023.

NANCY DAHLSTROM
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

7 AAC 27.660(b) is amended to read:

(b) If a health care facility is required under (a) of this section to submit discharge data, the health care facility shall submit the data in a format **of the UB-04 form, adopted by reference** and with data elements described in the ***Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting Program Guidelines*** [*OFFICIAL UB-04 DATA SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL* 2018], adopted by reference. The health care facility shall submit the data on a quarterly basis, and not later than 60 days after the end of each calendar quarter.

(Eff. 12/13/2014, Register 212; am 5/13/2018, Register 226; am 12/24/2026, Register 260)

Authority: AS 18.05.040 AS 18.15.355 AS 18.15.360

Editor's note: The ***Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting Program Guidelines*** [*OFFICIAL UB-04 DATA SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL 2018*], adopted by reference in 7 AAC 27.660, may be reviewed at the Department of Health, Division of Public Health, Health Analytics and Vital Records (formerly, the Bureau of Vital Statistics), 5441 Commercial Boulevard, Juneau, AK 99801.

7 AAC 150.250(a)(8) is amended to read:

(8) transfer adjustments that are based on uniform billing discharge status codes, as set out in the **department's *Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting Program Guidelines*** [AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION'S OFFICIAL UB-04 DATA SPECIFICATION MANUAL, 2024 EDITION, ADOPTED BY REFERENCE IN 7 AAC 160.900(A)], and that are based on length of stay, prorate payments as follows:

. . .

Register 260, January 2027 HEALTH

(Eff. 1/1/2024, Register 248; am 12/24/2026, Register 260)

Authority: AS 47.05.010 AS 47.07.070 AS 47.07.073