

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit

Audit 2026 Orientation

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Indian Health Service
Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention



Today's Audit Topics



- Audit Cycle and related dates
- Overview
- Changes for Audit 2026
- Process and Methods
- WebAudit
- Data Quality Check Overview
- Resources and Audit Webpages

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Abbreviations

- **ADC** = Area Diabetes Consultant
- **AI/AN** = American Indian/Alaska Native
- **Audit** = IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit
- **BP** = Best Practice = SDPI Diabetes Best Practice
- **DDTP** = IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention
- **DMS** = RPMS Diabetes Management System
- **GPRA** = Government Performance and Results Act
- **EMR** = Electronic Medical Record (RPMS or other)
- **I/T/U** = IHS, Tribal, and Urban
- **RKM** = Required Key Measure
- **RPMS** = IHS Resource and Patient Management System
- **SDPI** = Special Diabetes Program for Indians
- **SOS** = SDPI Outcomes System

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit 2026 Cycle



Task	2025												2026											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Planning																								
Prepare documentation																								
Prepare programming specs																								
DMS programming & testing																								
DMS beta testing																								
WebAudit programming & testing																								
Non-RPMS programming & testing																								
Data submission																								
Data processing																								
SAS programming																								
Final report preparation																								



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Audits – Data Periods and Due Dates

Annual Audit: (submitted once per year)

- Data is submitted to and processed by DDTP (via WebAudit).
- **2026 Audit Data Collection Period: January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025**
- **Due date for audit data submission: March 31, 2026**
- Data will be “locked” by DDTP in mid April for all sites.
 - Programs can no longer modify data after this date.

Interim Audits*: (submitted any time through the year via WebAudit)

- Can be many times per year for SDPI (RKM), Area, or local use
- Period of care: Locally or Area determined
- Due date: Locally or Area determined

**Use of Audit tools for any purpose other than the “Annual” Audit.*

Audit Types: Annual vs. SDPI RKM Data vs. Interim



	Annual Audit	Interim for SDPI RKM	Interim Other
Frequency	Once per year	As many as needed	As many as needed
WebAudit Type	Annual	Interim	Interim
WebAudit Versions Available	Current year only	Current + previous year	Current + previous year
Conducted When	Feb through mid-March	One or more times a year	Any time of year
Period Covered	01/01/2025 – 12/31/2025	01/01/2026 – 12/31/2026	Locally determined
Due Date	03/31/2026	2026 Baseline: 2/27/26 2026 Final: 1/29/27	Determined by Area or program
Who is included	Electronic: All eligible DM patients Manual: All or sample of eligible DM patients	SDPI Target Group	Determined by Area or program
Data reviewed by DDTP	Yes	In SOS only	No
Data used for national reports	Yes	Yes (baseline & final only)	No

Audit Overview

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit



The IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit is a process to assess care and health outcomes for American Indians and Alaska Native people with diagnosed diabetes. IHS, Tribal, and Urban Indian health care facilities nationwide participate in this process each year by auditing medical records for their patients with diabetes.

- First Audits performed by Model Diabetes Programs in 1986 when the IHS Diabetes Standards of Care were developed
- Expanded to all 12 IHS areas using a centralized database in 1997

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit



Purpose:

- A process to work towards the goal of providing all patients with diabetes the highest quality of care, as outlined in the IHS Diabetes Standards of Care
- To assess the diabetes care provided at a facility, to identify strengths and potential areas for improvement
- To fulfill requirements of Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) grants which include participation in the Annual Audit
- To contribute to Area and IHS outcome measures and reports

IHS Diabetes Audit (main landing page)



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Diabetes WebAudit System

Additional Audit Information

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Clinical Resources

The IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit



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Click on the links below or left-hand menu to find information about different Audit topics. If you have questions or need further information, contact the [IHS Audit team](#).

IHS Diabetes Audit ★

- [Conducting an Audit](#)
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Diabetes WebAudit System ★

- [WebAudit Information and Account Requests](#)
- [WebAudit Login](#)

Additional Audit Information ★

- [Audit FAQ](#)
- [Audit Information RPMS/DMS](#)
- [Audit Information Other EMR](#)

Important Dates 📅

Annual Audit 2026

- Audit period end date:
December 31, 2025
- RPMS/DMS patch release:
January 22, 2026
- **Updated WebAudit open:**
February 17, 2026
- **Updated Due Date:**
March 31, 2026

<https://www.ihs.gov/Diabetes/audit/>

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Diabetes Standards of Care and Resources for Clinician and Educators

Diabetes Treatment Algorithms

Diabetes Education Lesson Plans

Diabetes Educator Tools


Kidney Health

Diabetes Standards of Care and Resources for Clinicians and Educators


Blood Pressure

Blood pressure (BP) control in people with diabetes is essential to reduce the risk of diabetes complications, including heart attack, stroke, heart failure, retinopathy, and kidney disease. Hypertension (HTN) or high BP is defined as a systolic BP greater than or equal to 130 mmHg or a diastolic BP greater than or equal to 80 mmHg. Hypertension in people with diabetes is common and often requires multiple medications to achieve targeted goals.


Clinical Practice Recommendations




Clinician & Educator Resources



Patient Education Resources



CME Training



Resource Links

Diabetes Care Topics
» [View All Topics](#)

Recommendations At-a-Glance for All Topics
» [Online version](#)
» [Print version](#) [PDF – 269 KB]

<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/clinician-resources/soc/blood-pressure1/>

Audit Participation

- **Participants in the Annual Diabetes Audits include:**
 - I/T/U health care facilities associated with an SDPI grant and others.
 - IHS Service Units that have historically participated in the Audit.
- **Different types of facilities:**
 - Clinics
 - Health Stations
 - Hospitals
- **Vary in size:** <25 to >5000 patients with diabetes
- **Use a variety of EMR systems:** RPMS and others
 - NextGen, Athena, Cerner, Allscripts, EPIC, and more

What does the Audit measure?



IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit, 2026

NOTE: It is highly recommended that you review the [Audit 2026 Instructions](#) prior to conducting an Audit.

Audit Period Ending Date: 12 / 31 / 2025

Facility Name: _____

Reviewer Initials: _____

State of residence: _____

Month/Year of Birth: ____ / ____

Sex: ☐ Male
☐ Female
☐ Unknown

Date of Diabetes Diagnosis: ____ / ____ / ____

DM Type: ☐ Type 1
☐ Type 2

Tobacco/Nicotine Use (during Audit period)

Tobacco
Screened for tobacco use:
☐ Yes
☐ No
If ☐ Yes:
Tobacco user:
☐ Yes
☐ No
Tobacco cessation counseling/education received:
☐ Yes
☐ No

Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)*
Screened for ENDS use:
☐ Yes
☐ No
If ☐ Yes:
ENDS user:
☐ Yes
☐ No

*ENDS include vapes, e-cigarettes, vape pens, smoke pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pipes which contain nicotine

Vital Statistics

Height (last recorded): ____ ft ____ in

Weight (last in Audit period): ____ lbs

Hypertension (documented diagnosis ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Blood pressure (last 3 during Audit period):
Systolic Diastolic
1. ____ / ____ mmHg
2. ____ / ____ mmHg
3. ____ / ____ mmHg

Examinations (during Audit period)
Foot (comprehensive or "complete", including evaluation of sensation and vascular status):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Eye (dilated exam or retinal imaging):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Dental:
☐ Yes
☐ No

Depression
Screened for depression (during Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Depression on active diagnosis (during Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Education (during Audit period)
Nutrition:
☐ RD
☐ Both RD and Other
☐ Other
☐ None
Physical activity:
☐ Yes
☐ No
Other diabetes:
☐ Yes
☐ No

Diabetes Therapy
Select all prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):
☐ None of the following
☐ Insulin
☐ Metformin (Glucophage, Glucophage XL) ☐ Sulfonylurea (glipizide, glimepiride, glipizide XL)
☐ DPP-4 inhibitor (sitagliptin [Osetron], linagliptin [Lincress], saxagliptin [Onglyse], vildagliptin [Vildagliptin])
☐ GLP-1 receptor agonist (liraglutide [Victoza], semaglutide [Ozempic, Rybelsus], dulaglutide [Trulicity], exenatide [Byetta, Bydureon], lixisenatide [Aldurion], tildaprilide [Aldurion])
☐ SGLT-2 inhibitor (empagliflozin [Jardiance], canagliflozin [Invokana], dapagliflozin [Farxiga], ertugliflozin [Stegade])
☐ Pioglitazone (Actos) or rosiglitazone (Avandia)
☐ Thiazolidine (Glucophage, Glucophage XL)
☐ Acarbose (Dacose) or miglitol (GlucoBay)
☐ Repaglinide (Prandin) or nateglinide (Starlin)
☐ Pramlintide (Symlin)
☐ Bromocriptine (Cycloset)
☐ Colesevelam (Welchol)

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Audit Form (Page 1)

- Type of Diabetes and Date of Diagnosis
- Tobacco/Nicotine Use
- Height and weight
- Blood pressure
- Exams – foot, eye, dental
- Depression
- Education
- Diabetes Therapy

What does the Audit measure?



Audit Form (Page 2)

- Other medications
- Hepatitis C
- Immunizations
 - RSV - new
- Laboratory test results: A1C, lipids, kidney function
 - Creatinine - removed
- Comorbidities: CVD, TB, retinopathy, amputation

There are changes (almost) every year!

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ACE Inhibitor or ARB
Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Commonly prescribed medications include:
ACE inhibitors (lisinopril, captopril, enalapril, fosinopril, lisinopril, ramipril)
ARBs (losartan, valsartan, irbesartan, olmesartan, telmisartan, candesartan)

Aspirin or Other Antiplatelet/Anticoagulant Therapy
Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Commonly prescribed medications include:
Antiplatelets: aspirin (low-dose), dipyridamol (Pletal), clopidogrel (Plavix), ticagrelor (Brilinta)
Anticoagulants: warfarin (Coumadin), dabigatran (Pravda), rivaroxaban (Xarelto), apixiban (Eliquis), edoxaban (Lixiana)

Statin Therapy
Prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Allergy/intolerance/contraindication
Commonly prescribed medications include: atorvastatin, rosuvastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, fluvastatin, lovastatin, pitavastatin, cerivastatin, ezetimibe, dalcipon

Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)
Diagnosed (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Tuberculosis (TB)
TB diagnosis (latent or active) documented (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
TB test done (most recent):
☐ Skin test (PPD)
☐ Blood test (T-SPOT, T-STAT)
☐ No test documented
TB test result:
☐ Positive
☐ Negative
☐ No result documented
If TB diagnosed and/or test result positive, treatment initiated (e.g., isoniazid, rifampin, rifapentine, others):
☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unknown
If TB result negative, test date:
Date: ____/____/____

Hepatitis C (HCV)
HCV diagnosed (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
If not diagnosed with HCV, screened at least once (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Retinopathy
Diagnosed (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Amputation
Lower extremity (ever), any type (e.g., toe, partial foot, above or below knee):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Immunizations
Influenza vaccine (during Audit period):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Pneumococcal (PCV15, PCV20, PCV21, or PPSV23) (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Td, Tdap, DTaP, or DT (in past 10 years):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Tdap (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Hepatitis B complete series (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Immune (based on lab report)
Shingrix (recombinant zoster vaccine [RZV]) complete series (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine (ever):
☐ Yes
☐ No

Laboratory Data (most recent result during Audit period)
A1C: ____ %
A1C Date obtained: ____/____/____
Total Cholesterol: ____ mg/dL
HDL Cholesterol: ____ mg/dL
LDL Cholesterol: ____ mg/dL
Triglycerides: ____ mg/dL
eGFR: ____ mL/min/1.73 m²
Creatinine: ____ mg/dL
(Creatinine not obtained is not documented)

Local Questions (Optional)
Socioeconomic:
SES: ____
Race: ____
Ethnicity: ____
Language: ____
Religion: ____
Marital status: ____
Employment: ____
Insurance: ____
Housing: ____
Food security: ____
Transportation: ____
Social support: ____
Stress: ____
Mental health: ____
Substance use: ____
Other: ____

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Data measures collected during the Audit period:	Data measures with exceptions for collection dates/period:
Weight	Height (<i>last ever</i>)
Blood pressure	Tuberculosis (<i>ever</i>) e.g., diagnosis, test, result, treatment
Exams	Diabetes Therapy - Medications (<i>prescribed as of end of the Audit period</i>)
Tobacco and Depression screening	Other Medications (<i>prescribed as of end of the Audit period</i>)
Education	Health conditions (<i>ever</i>) e.g., HTN, CVD, Retinopathy, Amputation
Immunizations – only influenza	Immunizations - except flu
Laboratory tests	

Look for key words, such as: **“Audit period”, “ever”**

Data Collections: Measures

- For most measures one response is selected or provided for each patient.

Examinations (during Audit period)

Foot (comprehensive or “complete”, including evaluation of sensation and vascular status):

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Eye (dilated exam or retinal imaging):

☐ 1 Yes

☒ 2 No

Dental:

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No



Depression

Screened for depression (during Audit period):

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Depression an active diagnosis (during Audit period):

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Data Collection: Special Cases

Skip patterns: Some items will be “skipped” based on response to previous item.


- HCV screening (example)

Hepatitis C (HCV)

HCV diagnosed (ever):

☐1 Yes

☒2 No



→ If not diagnosed with HCV, screened at least once (ever):

☒1 Yes

☐2 No

Data Collection: Special Cases

Skip patterns: Some items will be “skipped” based on response to previous item.

- Tobacco/ENDS screening
- Tobacco/ENDS use
- Tobacco cessation

Tobacco/Nicotine Use (during Audit period)

Tobacco

Screened for tobacco use:

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Tobacco user:

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Tobacco cessation counseling/education received:

☒ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)*

Screened for ENDS use:

☐ 1 Yes

☒ 2 No

ENDS user:

☐ 1 Yes

☐ 2 No

*ENDS include: vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pipes which contain nicotine.

Data Collection: Special Cases

Diabetes therapy: Select **all** that apply.

Note: 1 = None of the following

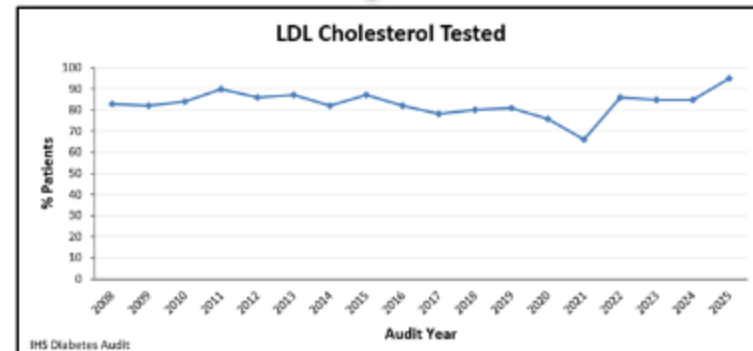
- Indicates patient **is not** on any diabetes medications
- No other boxes should be checked

Diabetes Therapy

Select **all** prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):

- ☐ 1 None of the following
- ☐ 2 Insulin
- ☒ 3 Metformin [*Glucophage*, others]
- ☐ 4 Sulfonylurea [glipizide, glyburide, glimepiride]
- ☐ 5 DPP-4 inhibitor [alogliptin (*Nesina*), linagliptin (*Tradjenta*), saxagliptin (*Onglyza*), sitagliptin (*Januvia*)]
- ☒ 6 GLP-1 receptor agonist [dulaglutide (*Trulicity*), exenatide (*Byetta*, *Bydureon*), liraglutide (*Victoza*, *Saxenda*), lixisenatide (*Adlyxin*), semaglutide (*Ozempic*, *Rybelsus*, *Wegovy*)]
- ☐ 7 SGLT-2 inhibitor [bexagliflozin (*Brenzavvy*), canagliflozin (*Invokana*), dapagliflozin (*Farxiga*), empagliflozin (*Jardiance*), ertugliflozin (*Steglatro*), sotagliflozin (*Inpefa*)]
- ☐ 8 Pioglitazone [*Actos*] or rosiglitazone [*Avandia*]
- ☐ 9 Tirzepatide [*Mounjaro*, *Zepbound*]
- ☐ 10 Acarbose [*Precose*] or miglitol [*Glyset*]
- ☐ 11 Repaglinide [*Prandin*] or nateglinide [*Starlix*]
- ☐ 12 Pramlintide [*Symlin*]
- ☐ 13 Bromocriptine [*Cycloset*]
- ☐ 14 Colesevelam [*Welchol*]

Output=reports and graphs



Audit Report (Output)



Sample page from WebAudit

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit - WebAudit					
Facility: Test02 Sample Data					
Annual Audit					
75 charts were audited from 75 patients determined to be eligible by Test02 Sample Data. Unless otherwise specified, time period for each item is the 12-month Audit Period.					
	# of Patients (Numerator)	# Considered (Denominator)	Percent	Area Percent	IHS Percent
Sex					
Male	47	75	63%	99%	44%
Female	28	75	37%	99%	56%
Unknown	0	75	0%	99%	0%
Age					
< 20 years	1	75	1%	99%	1%
20-44 years	20	75	27%	99%	16%
45-64 years	32	75	43%	99%	46%
≥ 65 years	22	75	29%	99%	36%
Diabetes Type					
Type 1	5	75	7%	99%	1%
Type 2	70	75	93%	99%	99%
Duration of Diabetes					
< 1 year	2	75	3%	99%	5%
< 10 years	48	75	64%	99%	47%
≥ 10 years	13	75	17%	99%	45%
Diagnosis date not recorded	14	75	19%	99%	7%
Body Mass Index (BMI) Category					
Normal (BMI < 25.0)	9	75	12%	99%	11%
Overweight (BMI 25.0-29.9)	17	75	23%	99%	24%
Obese (BMI ≥ 30.0)	40	75	53%	99%	63%
Height or weight missing	9	75	12%	99%	2%
Severely obese (BMI ≥ 40.0)	6	75	8%	99%	18%

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What's New for Audit 2026

What's New for Audit 2026

1. **Changes to Audit Form and Reports** integrated throughout
2. **Logic changes:** immunizations, others
 - Changes in the Data File Specifications
3. **Find additional details and information:**
 - 2026 DMS User Manual for Version 2.0 Patch 19 (**pending**)
 - 2026 Audit Instructions (**pending**)

Logic and Reporting Changes for Audit 2026



- **Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Report**

- Added "CKD and GLP-1 receptor agonist and/or SGLT-2 inhibitor currently prescribed" to report

- **Immunizations**

- Added respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine
- Added respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) to immunizations report

- **Laboratory tests**

- Removed serum creatinine from form and data specifications

- **Other**

- RPMS: added new tool PAR Possible INA, LTF, TRANS Pts to move to Active
- Changed Birth Sex to Sex in reports
- Minor Changes to label and formatting on the form and reports

Audit Form Changes



Immunizations

Influenza vaccine (during Audit period):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Pneumococcal [PCV15, PCV20, PCV21, or PPSV23] (ever):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Td, Tdap, DTaP, or DT (in past 10 years):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Tdap (ever):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Hepatitis B complete series (ever):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No
☐ 3 Immune (based on lab report)

Updated
description

Shingrix/recombinant zoster vaccine [RZV] complete series

(ever):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Respiratory syncytial virus [RSV] vaccine (ever):

- ☐ 1 Yes
☐ 2 No

Added
vaccine

Laboratory Data (most recent result during Audit period)

A1C: _____ %

A1C Date obtained: ____/____/____

Total Cholesterol: _____ mg/dL

HDL Cholesterol: _____ mg/dL

LDL Cholesterol: _____ mg/dL

Triglycerides: _____ mg/dL

~~Serum Creatinine: _____ mg/dL~~

Removed
creatinine

eGFR: _____ mL/min/1.73 m²

Quant UACR*: _____ mg/g

(*Quantitative urine albumin-to-creatinine ratio)

Chronic Kidney Disease: Change in report section



Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) (In age ≥ 18 years)

CKD ²	18	74	24%
CKD ² and mean BP <130/<80	2	18	11%
CKD ² and mean BP <140/<90	13	18	72%
CKD ² and ACE inhibitor or ARB currently prescribed	12	18	67%
CKD ² and GLP-1 receptor agonist currently prescribed	9	18	50%
CKD ² and SGLT-2 inhibitor currently prescribed	6	18	33%
CKD Stage			
Normal: eGFR ≥ 60 mL/min and UACR <30 mg/g	16	74	22%
Stages 1 and 2: eGFR ≥ 60 mL/min and UACR ≥ 30 mg/g	10	74	14%
Stage 3: eGFR 30-59 mL/min	5	74	7%
Stage 4: eGFR 15-29 mL/min	1	74	1%
Stage 5: eGFR <15 mL/min	2	74	3%
Undetermined	39	74	53%

Add: CKD² and GLP-1 receptor agonist and/or SGLT-2 inhibitor currently prescribed

Data File Specifications for 2026



List of Audit Data Fields

Order	Field Name	Description	Timeframe	Format/Values/Units	Comments
1	AUDITDATE	Ending date of the one-year Audit period: 12/31/2025 for Annual Audit 2026	N/A	mm/dd/yyyy	
2	FACILITYNA	Name or abbreviation for the facility	N/A	Character (max length=20)	For confirmation purposes only, since the WebAudit will automatically supply and display the name.
3	REVIEWER	Reviewer's initials	N/A	Character (max length=3)	
4	STATE	Postal abbreviation for last known state of residence	N/A	Character (max length=2)	Do not populate if patient's address is outside of the US (e.g., in Canada).
5	MOB	Month of birth	N/A	# with value 1-12	
6	YOB	Year of birth	N/A	YYYY	
7	SEX	Birth Sex	N/A	# field with: 1=Male 2=Female 3=Unknown	
8	DODX	Date of diabetes diagnosis	N/A	mm/dd/yyyy	If only year is known, use value 07/01/yyyy. If only month and year are known, use 15 for the day. Leave blank if year or entire date is unknown.
9	DMTYPE	Diabetes type	N/A	# field with: 1=Type 1 2=Type 2 (or uncertain)	
10	TOBSCREEN	Screened for tobacco use	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	
11	TOBACCOUSE	Tobacco use	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	Populate only if TOBSCREEN value is 1=Yes.
12	TOBCOUNSEL	Tobacco cessation counseling/education received	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	Populate only if TOBSCREEN value is 1=Yes and TOBACCOUSE value is 1=Yes.
13	ENDSSCREEN	Screened for electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) use during Audit period	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	ENDS include: vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pipes. Limit to nicotine for Audit.



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Impact on Data File specifications

IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Data File Specifications for 2026

	Order	Field Name	Description	Timeframe	Format/Values/Units	Comments
New field →	66	RSVVAX	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine	Ever	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	
Remove field →	72	CREATVALUE	Serum creatinine value (mg/dL)	Most recent in Audit period	# with up to 2 decimal places	Round to 2 decimal places, if necessary.

Carefully review **2026 Audit Data File Specifications** before programming!

Impact on Data File specifications

- **Columns: 77 total (same number as 2025)**
 - 1-65 : No change
 - **66: New vaccine - Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine – called RSVVAX**
 - 66-71: shifted one place from previous year
 - **72: Removed serum creatinine**
 - 73-77: no changes

**Be sure to carefully review the Audit Data File Specifications
before programming!**

Audit Processes and Methods

From Patient Encounters to Audit Data

- **Throughout the year patient encounters take place: (visits)**
 - in-person or telehealth visits with providers
 - medication refills (pharmacy)
 - lab tests (laboratory)
 - immunizations (nurse visit, immunization clinics, pharmacy)
 - education (DSMES, MNT, other)
 - other (optometry, dental)
- **Visit information is documented in the EMR (or paper chart).**
 - Check with Health Information Management (HIM)
- **Look for other (historical) information that might be documented.**
 - TB diagnosed >10 years ago
 - History of lower extremity amputation

Before You Begin



- **Notify your** Area Diabetes Consultant that you are planning to start Audit activities.
 - Especially if new to submitting audit data
 - Changed from RPMS to other EMR during the Audit Period
- **Gather and review** resources and materials.
 - From DDTP: Audit resources webpage
 - **Local: Previous year's reports, site specific documentation, others**

Audit Resources

Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention (DDTP)

About Us

Search DDTP and SDPI

IHS Diabetes Audit

WebAudit Login

WebAudit Information and Account Requests

Audit 2025/2026 Resources

Conducting An Audit

Audit Training

Audit Information RPMS/DMS

Audit Information Other EMR

Audit Help and Support

Audit - FAQ

Clinical Training

Education Materials and Resources (Online Catalog)

Audit 2025/2026 Resources

Audit 2026 Resources

Instructions and Forms

Carefully read the Audit Instructions document and review the Audit Form before beginning your Audit, even if you have conducted an Audit before.

- [Audit 2026 Form](#) [PDF – 161 KB]
- Audit 2026 Instructions (pending) - *please refer to Audit 2025 instructions in the interim*

Checklists

To facilitate completion of all steps in the annual Audit process, refer to the appropriate checklist.

- [Audit 2026 Electronic Audit Checklist Non-RPMS/Other Electronic Medical Record Systems](#) [Word – 45 KB]
- [Audit 2026 Manual Checklist](#) [Word – 60 KB]
- Audit 2026 Electronic Audit Checklist RPMS (pending) - *please refer to Audit 2025 checklists in the interim*

Code lists

The Code Lists includes codes related to the audit data fields. This can serve as a starting point to help identify codes for non-RPMS sites and facilities for potential use. Site-specific codes need to be added.

- [Audit 2026 Code list Revised](#) [Excel – 449 KB]

For more information: [Audit 2026 Non-RPMS Orientation Part 1 and 2.](#)

Important Dates

Annual Audit 2026

- Audit period end date: **December 31, 2025**
- RPMS/DMS patch release: **January 22, 2026**
- WebAudit open: **February 2, 2026 (anticipated)**
- Due date: **March 20, 2026**

<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/audit-resources/>

Audit 2026 Instructions



- Detailed instruction guide for Manual, RPMS and non-RPMS users
- For use in conjunction with the Audit Checklists
- Includes a summary of changes for Audit 2026

**Indian Health Service
Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit**

**Audit 2026
Instructions**

Coming Soon
February 2026

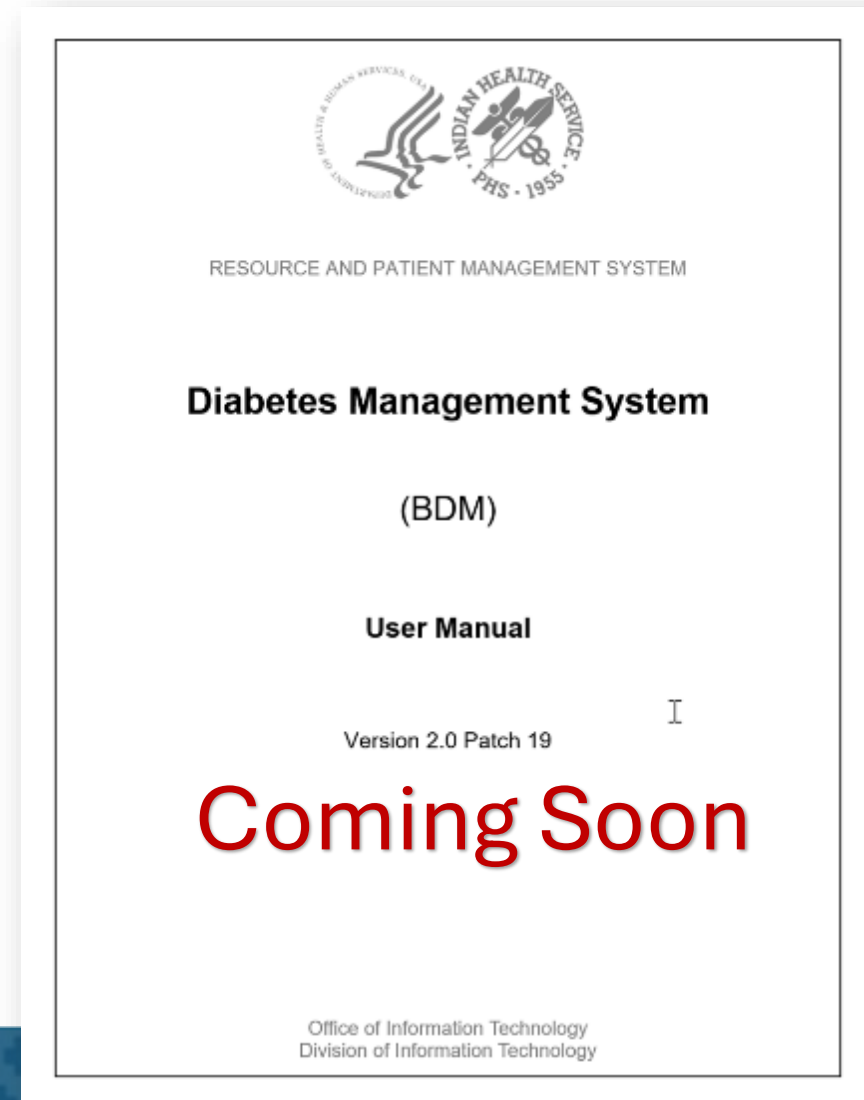
Indian Health Service
Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention
<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/>

2026 Diabetes Management System (DMS): User Manual



Provides instructions for set up and maintenance of RPMS/DMS:

- Taxonomies for Medications, Lab Tests, Health Factors, and Education topics
- Creation and use of Diabetes Registers
- Conducting an electronic Diabetes Audit
- Diabetes Audit Logic
- More



Take Time to Review the Audit Process

- **Review audit process for method(s) of submission**
 - Use available Audit Resources.
- **Update Registers or List**
 - Determine who should be audited – Audit Group.
- **Additional preparations**
 - **RPMS/DMS users:**
 - ✓ Review taxonomies and then update taxonomies, as needed.
 - ✓ BDM (DMS) v2. Patch 19 is installed
 - **Non-RPMS:**
 - ✓ Review updated Data File Specifications and Code List for audit measures for data capture and reporting.

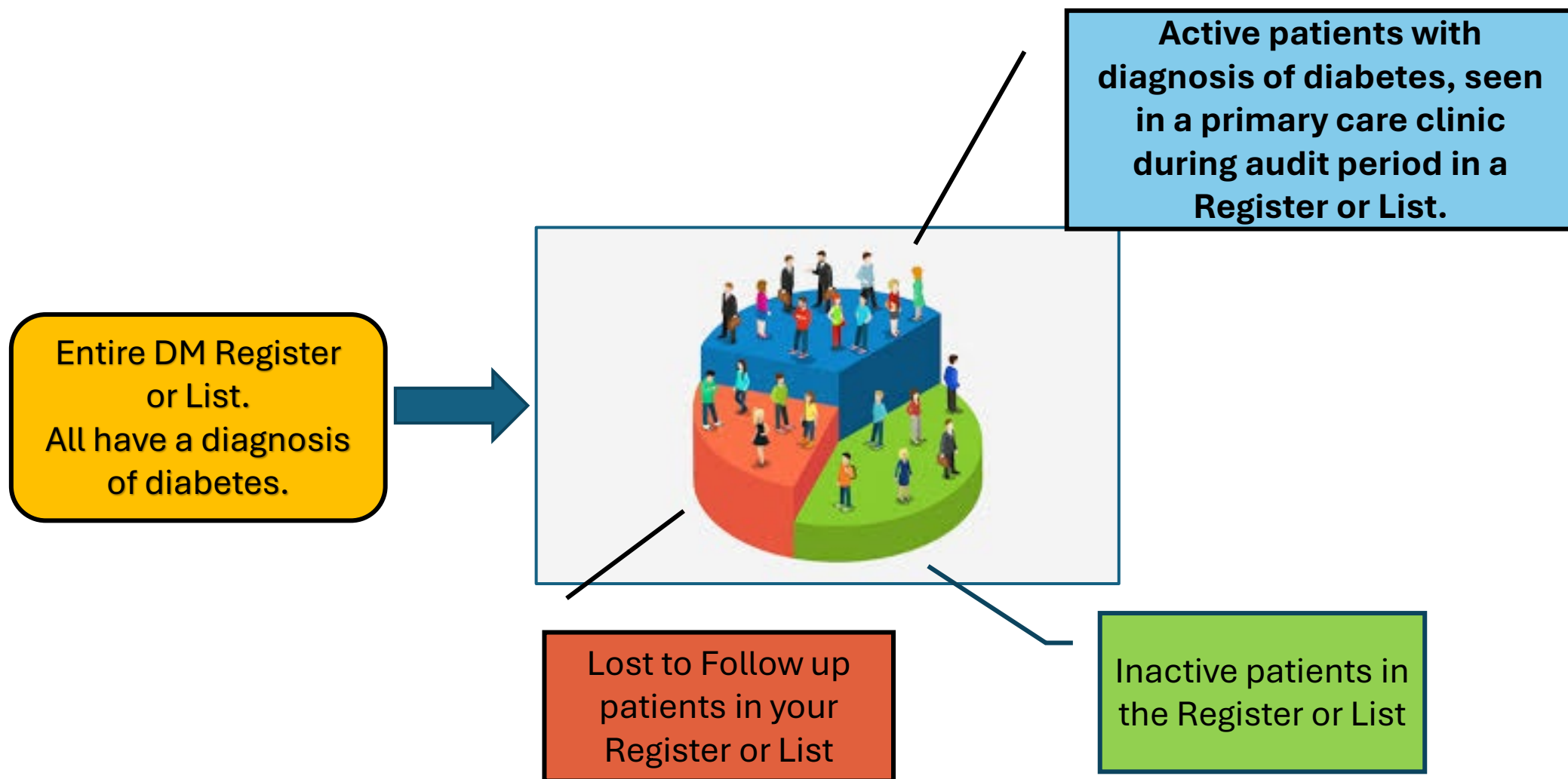
Review the Audit Process (cont.)

- **Create an Audit Data file (for the 12-month audit period).**
 - Create according to data file specifications. (non-RPMS)
 - Upload data file into the WebAudit program. (RPMS/Non-RPMS)
- **Review Audit Reports for all means of submission.**
 - Manual, DMS, other EMR
- **Correct or verify data in the Data Quality Check (DQC) Report.**
 - Note in the “Comments” section and change in the Record, if needed
- **Clean up audit data using:**
 - Data Quality Check Reports (WebAudit and DMS)
 - Trends Graph (WebAudit)
 - Annual Data Reports (WebAudit)

Identifying Patients to Audit



Identifying the correct group of people to audit is key!



Inclusion Criteria for 2026 DM Audit



Section 2. Identifying Patients to Audit: Inclusions and Exclusions

A critical task in performing the Audit is determining which people with diabetes to include.

General guidance for identifying these patients is provided below.

First, identify patients who meet **all** the following criteria:

1. Have a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus.
2. Are American Indian or Alaska Native.
3. Have **at least one visit** (in person or telehealth) with a diagnosis of diabetes as a purpose of visit to any of the following clinics during the one-year Audit period:
 - a. General
 - b. Diabetic
 - c. Internal Medicine
 - d. Pediatric
 - e. Well Child
 - f. Family Practice
 - g. Chronic Disease
 - h. Endocrinology
 - i. Pharmacy Primary Care Clinic (if your pharmacy clinic provides diabetes care)

- Non-RPMS programs will need to check with your organization to determine clinic equivalents and/or other potential primary care clinics.

Exclusion Criteria for 2026 DM Audit



Second, **exclude** patients who:

1. Received the majority of their primary care during the Audit period outside of your facility.
2. Are currently on dialysis AND received most of their primary care during the Audit period at the dialysis unit.
3. Died during the Audit period.
4. Were pregnant during any part of the Audit period.
5. Have prediabetes (as determined by documented diagnosis of prediabetes, impaired fasting glucose [IFG], impaired glucose tolerance [IGT], or elevated A1C level).
6. Moved permanently or temporarily during the Audit period.

Patients Eligible for the Annual Audit



Facility Information for Audit 2026
Facility: Test34
Annual Audit

Note:

- Click on the Submit button to save any changes or new information.

*** Required Fields**

Facility Name	Area	SU	Facility
Test34	TE	ST	34

*** Enter in the number of patients that are considered eligible (number of patients meeting inclusion criteria minus number of patients excluded) OR the number of people in your Target Group (if this Interim Audit is for SDPI Reporting)**

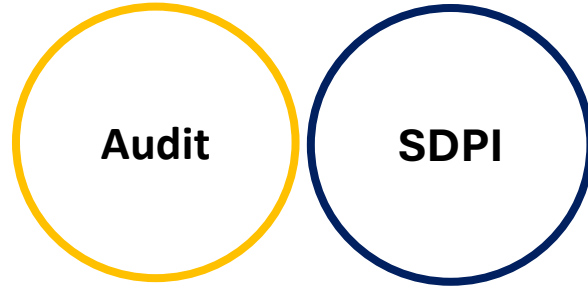
★

Number of Eligible Patients: # of patients meeting inclusion criteria minus # of patients excluded

★ This is the number to be entered in WebAudit Facility Information field.

Audit Group vs SDPI Target Group

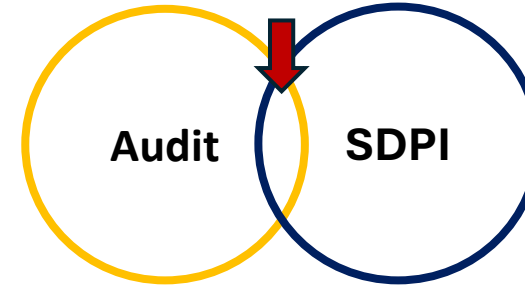
DM Audit Group vs SDPI Target Group: examples



1. No overlap: diabetes prevention only

SDPI Target Group Guidance:

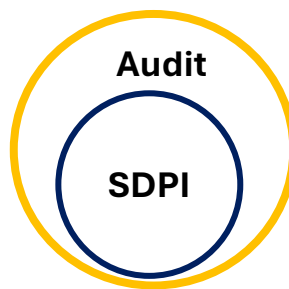
Select your Target Group from adults and/or youth who are at risk for developing diabetes.



2. Some overlap: education or tobacco use screening.

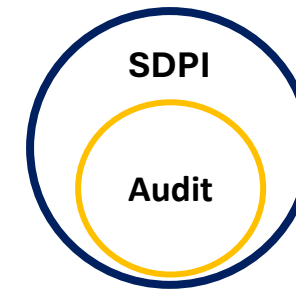
SDPI Target Group Guidance:

Select from adults and/or youth with diabetes or at risk for developing diabetes



3. SDPI subset of Audit Group

(SDPI includes only some diabetes patients)



4. Audit Group subset of SDPI

(SDPI includes all community members)

DM Audit Group vs SDPI Target Group: examples



5. Total overlap not likely.

a. Generally, SDPI Target Group number is fixed for the year.



b. People with diabetes are added or removed from the Diabetes Register/List during the year.

Manual Audit Data Submission

Manual Audit Data Entry



400 Diabetes Care and Assessment Audit - Nephrology
Part 1: Test 10 Sample Data
Audit Date: 1

75 charts were audited from 75 patients determined to be eligible by Test 10 Sample Data.
1,110 observations generated. Audit period for data entry is 12 months.

	# of Patients (Numerator)	# Completed (Denominator)	Percent	95% Lower	95% Upper
Sex					
Male	47	75	63%	50%	44%
Female	28	75	37%	50%	56%
Unknown	0	75	0%	0%	0%
Age					
< 20 years	1	75	1%	0%	3%
20-44 years	20	75	27%	50%	16%
45-64 years	32	75	43%	69%	66%
≥ 65 years	22	75	29%	69%	30%
Diabetes Type					
Type 1	9	75	12%	0%	3%
Type 2	70	75	93%	69%	96%
Duration of Diabetes					
< 2 year	2	75	3%	0%	5%
< 20 years	48	75	64%	50%	40%
≥ 20 years	13	75	17%	69%	65%
Diagnosed date not recorded	14	75	19%	69%	3%
Body Mass Index (BMI) Category					
Normal (BMI < 25.0)	9	75	12%	0%	13%
Overweight (BMI 25.0-29.9)	17	75	23%	69%	24%
Obese (BMI ≥ 30.0)	49	75	65%	69%	62%
Height or weight missing	9	75	12%	0%	3%
Severely obese (BMI ≥ 40.0)	9	75	12%	69%	16%

Manual Audit: Gather Data



- **Select charts to review for eligible patients according to 2026 Audit Instructions.**
 - All or a random sample
 - Random sample generally used for Manual Audits and larger audit populations
 - Use the Audit Sample Sizes chart to determine number of charts to audit.
 - ✓ **2026 Audit Instructions (pg. 9-12)**
 - The number needed statistically valid results depends on the number of patients at your facility that meet the eligibility criteria for the Audit.
- **Review medical record for each selected patient.**
- **Complete one Audit Form for each record.**
 - Check off every box on the form.
 - **Exception: Skip patterns**

Audit Sample Size – Random Sample



Table 2. Audit Sample Sizes

Population (# eligible people with diabetes)	90% Certainty Within 10% (Recommended)	90% Certainty Within 5%	95% Certainty Within 10%	95% Certainty Within 5%
<30	all	all	all	all
30	21	27	23	28
40	25	35	28	36
50	29	42	33	44
60	32	49	37	52
70	34	56	40	59
80	37	62	44	66
90	39	68	46	73
100	40	73	49	79
110	42	78	51	86
120	43	83	53	91
130	44	88	55	97
140	46	92	57	103
150	47	96	59	108
160	48	101	60	113
170	48	104	61	118
180	49	108	63	123
190	50	112	64	127
200	51	115	65	132
220	52	121	67	140
240	53	127	69	148

2026 Paper Audit Form



IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit, 2026

NOTE: It is highly recommended that you review the [Audit 2026 Instructions](#) prior to conducting an Audit.

Audit Period Ending Date: 12 / 31 / 2025

Facility Name: _____

Reviewer Initials: _____

State of residence: _____

Month/Year of Birth: ____/____

Sex: ☐ Male
☐ Female
☐ Unknown

Date of Diabetes Diagnosis: ____/____/____

DM Type: ☐ Type 1
☐ Type 2

Tobacco/Nicotine Use (during Audit period)

Tobacco

Screened for tobacco use:

☐ Yes
☐ No

→ Tobacco user:

☐ Yes
☐ No

→ Tobacco cessation counseling/education received:

☐ Yes
☐ No

Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)*

Screened for ENDS use:

☐ Yes
☐ No

→ ENDS user:

☐ Yes
☐ No

*ENDS include vapes, e-cigarettes, smoke pens, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pens which contain nicotine.

Vital Statistics

Height (last recorded): ____ ft ____ in

Weight (last in Audit period): ____ lbs

Hypertension (documented diagnosis ever):

☐ Yes
☐ No

Blood pressure (last 3 during Audit period):

Systolic Diastolic

1. ____/____ mmHg

2. ____/____ mmHg

3. ____/____ mmHg

Examinations (during Audit period)

Foot (comprehensive or "complete", including evaluation of sensation and vascular status):

☐ Yes
☐ No

Eye (dilated exam or retinal imaging):

☐ Yes
☐ No

Dental:

☐ Yes
☐ No

Depression

Screened for depression (during Audit period):

☐ Yes
☐ No

Depression an active diagnosis (during Audit period):

☐ Yes
☐ No

Education (during Audit period)

Nutrition:

☐ RD ☐ Both RD and Other
☐ Other
☐ None

Physical activity:

☐ Yes
☐ No

Other diabetes:

☐ Yes
☐ No

Diabetes Therapy

Select all prescribed (as of the end of the Audit period):

☐ None of the following

☐ Insulin

☐ Metformin (Glucophage, others)

☐ Sulfonylureas (glipizide, glyburide, glimepiride)

☐ DPP-4 inhibitor (sitagliptin (Onglyze), linagliptin (Traqva), saxagliptin (Tropis), alogliptin (Kosleva)

☐ GLP-1 receptor agonist (dulaglutide (Trulicity), semaglutide (Ozempic, Rybelsus), liraglutide (Victoza), exenatide (Byetta, Bydureon), lixisenatide (Alduract), tirzepatide (Mounstro, Zepbound), semaglutide (Wegovy)

☐ SGLT-2 inhibitor (dapagliflozin (Farxiga), empagliflozin (Jardiance), canagliflozin (Invokana), ertugliflozin (Stegade), sotagliflozin (Zynquista)

☐ Pioglitazone (Actos) or rosiglitazone (Avandia)

☐ Tirzepatide (Mounstro, Zepbound)

☐ Acarbose (Precose) or miglitol (Glyset)

☐ Repaglinide (Prandin) or nateglinide (Starlin)

☐ Pramlintide (Symlin)

☐ Bromocriptine (Cycloset)

☐ Colesevelam (Welchol)

CONTINUED ON PAGE 2. Be sure to complete both pages for all Audited patients.

Manual Audit: Data Entry



- **Data Entry into the WebAudit:**

- Do not submit anything other than a blank space for missing or unknown data (e.g., not 0).
- Examples: blood pressures and some lab values

Blood Pressure (last 3 during Audit period):

Systolic 1:	Diastolic 1
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Systolic 2	Diastolic 2
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Systolic 3	Diastolic 3
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

If there are no blood pressure measurements:
leave fields blank

Blood Pressure (last 3 during Audit period):

Systolic 1:	Diastolic 1
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Systolic 2	Diastolic 2
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Systolic 3	Diastolic 3
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Do not enter "0" if there are no values to enter.

Manual Audit Check List



IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention Annual Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit 2026

Manual Audit Checklist

Last updated: December 2025

Step	1.0 Preparation	Completed?
1.1	Let your Area Diabetes Consultants ¹ know that you are planning to start conducting your Audit.	
1.2	Review the detailed Audit 2026 Instructions ² with particular attention to the section on conducting a manual Audit.	
1.3	Review the Diabetes Registry or list of diabetes patients for your facility and update, as needed.	

Step	2.0 Complete Audit Forms	Completed?
2.1	From a list of eligible diabetes patients, randomly select the appropriate number of charts to review Audit 2026 Instructions ² , pp. 9-12.	
2.2	Download the Audit 2026 Form ³ and make as many copies of the form as you have charts to review.	
2.3	Perform the chart audits and complete a paper Audit form for each chart reviewed. Be sure to complete all relevant items.	

Step	3.0 Enter and Review Data via the WebAudit	Completed?
3.1	Request a WebAudit account if you do not already have one. For more information, visit the IHS Division of Diabetes Audit website ⁴ .	
3.2	Login to the WebAudit: Go to the Audit website ⁴ and click on the "Log in" button.	
3.3	Go to Facility Administration tab or icon to enter number of diabetes patients. Note: Enter the number of patients that meet the Audit inclusion and exclusion criteria (i.e., eligible patients).	
3.4	Go to Data Processing tab or icon to enter data for each completed Audit form. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click on Date Entry and under Audit Type: select Annual Audit Follow prompts to enter data. Use tab key to move to the next prompt. Save data entered. Go to the next record and repeat steps for each record to be entered. 	

Electronic Audit Data Submission

Electronic Data Submission



RPMS/DMS Programming

Other EMR Programming



AUDITDATE	FACILITYNA	REVIEWER	STATE	MOB	YOB	SEX	DOB	DMTYP	TOBScreen	TOBACCOUSE	TOBCOUNSEL	ENDS
12/31/2025	2013 DEMO	HOSPITAL	(LABNM	4	1950	1	2	2	2	5	8.00	1
12/31/2025	2013 DEMO	HOSPITAL	(LABNM	3	1964	1	05/15/1993	2	2	2	5	10.00
12/31/2025	2013 DEMO	HOSPITAL	(LABNM	9	1933	2	02/15/1992	2	2	2	5	1.00
12/31/2025	2013 DEMO	HOSPITAL	(LABNM	8	1979	2	2	2	2	4	8.00	2
12/31/2025	2013 DEMO	HOSPITAL	(LABNM	4	1993	2	05/13/2005	2	2	2	5	4.00



LIFE, Health, Safety and Comfort (LHSC) - Index, 0-100 Healthy "Good" Example Data Assum. 4.0%					
	1st Measure	2nd Measure	3rd Measure	4th Measure	5th Measure
Size					
Small	10	20	30%	40%	50%
Medium	20	30	40%	50%	60%
Large	30	40	50%	60%	70%
Age					
< 20 years	1	2	3%	4%	5%
20-40 years	2	3	4%	5%	6%
40-60 years	3	4	5%	6%	7%
> 60 years	4	5	6%	7%	8%
Location Type					
Type 1	1	2	3%	4%	5%
Type 2	2	3	4%	5%	6%
Duration of Duration					
< 1 year	1	2	3%	4%	5%
< 10 years	2	3	4%	5%	6%
> 10 years	3	4	5%	6%	7%
Frequency of occurrence	4	5	6%	7%	8%
Body Mass Index (BMI) Category					
Normal (18.5-24.9)	1	2	3%	4%	5%
Overweight (25.0-29.9)	2	3	4%	5%	6%
Obese (30.0-34.9)	3	4	5%	6%	7%
Extremely obese (35.0-39.9)	4	5	6%	7%	8%
Severely obese (40.0-49.9)	5	6	7%	8%	9%

Electronic Audits: RPMS vs. other EMRs

- Below are some specific examples. There are many other differences!
- Resources for both are available on the Audit website.

Activity	RPMS	Other EMR
Software programming: (done by)	IHS	Software company or vendor
Identify eligible patients	Registry or QMAN search	System dependent
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install DMS patch 19 • Update site-populated taxonomies • Review & update registry or create list of diabetes patients 	System dependent
Education documentation	RPMS-specific coding	System dependent

Tools for Other EMRs: Code List and Data File Specifications



- The Code List and Data File Specifications documents are useful for data capture and the creation of the Audit Data File.
- Example: Foot Exams

Code	Description	Code Type	RPMS Taxonomy	Notes
G9226	3 comp foot exam completed	CPT	BGP CPT FOOT EXAM	
2028F	FOOT EXAM PERFORMED	CPT	BGP CPT FOOT EXAM	
G0245	INITIAL FOOT EXAM PTLOPS	CPT	BGP CPT FOOT EXAM	
G0246	FOLLOWUP EVAL OF FOOT P LOPS	CPT	BGP CPT FOOT EXAM	

Data File Specifications for 2026



IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Data File Specifications for 2026

General Information

1. **Data File Format:** Delimited text, with the following general requirements.
 - a. Delimiter **must** be the ^ symbol, not a tab, space, or any other character.
 - b. Line 1 contains the Audit field names in the order they appear below.
 - c. Lines 2 and beyond contain the data, with each line representing a single record/patient.
 - d. All records must contain a value or a placeholder for all fields. If there is no value for a field (because data are missing or due to skip pattern), the place holder is one blank space between the delimiters (i.e., ^ ^). Use of ^^ with no blank space will cause an error in uploading the data file.
 - e. *Do not submit anything other than a blank space for missing or unknown data (e.g., not 0) or for skip patterns. Zero is an actual number and may be factored into calculations or may be considered a data outlier. This is a common data entry error.*
2. **Data Fields:**
 - a. A list of Audit 2026 fields and basic details/requirements for each is provided on subsequent pages of this document.
 - b. Extracting accurate data for many fields requires additional information, some of which is available in the Audit documentation.
 - c. Other information is specific to the health record system being used and must be determined locally, including documentation of medications and education.
3. **Additional Information and Resources**
 - a. Audit website: <https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/>
 - b. Contact the Audit team via email: diabetesaudit@ihs.gov

9-page document

Read through carefully.

Data File Specifications for 2026



List of Audit Data Fields

Order	Field Name	Description	Timeframe	Format/Values/Units	Comments
1	AUDITDATE	Ending date of the one-year Audit period: 12/31/2025 for Annual Audit 2026	N/A	mm/dd/yyyy	
2	FACILITYNA	Name or abbreviation for the facility	N/A	Character (max length=20)	For confirmation purposes only, since the WebAudit will automatically supply and display the name.
3	REVIEWER	Reviewer's initials	N/A	Character (max length=3)	
4	STATE	Postal abbreviation for last known state of residence	N/A	Character (max length=2)	Do not populate if patient's address is outside of the US (e.g., in Canada).
5	MOB	Month of birth	N/A	# with value 1-12	
6	YOB	Year of birth	N/A	YYYY	
7	SEX	Birth Sex	N/A	# field with: 1=Male 2=Female 3=Unknown	
8	DODX	Date of diabetes diagnosis	N/A	mm/dd/yyyy	If only year is known, use value 07/01/yyyy. If only month and year are known, use 15 for the day. Leave blank if year or entire date is unknown.
9	DMTYPE	Diabetes type	N/A	# field with: 1=Type 1 2=Type 2 (or uncertain)	
10	TOBSCREEN	Screened for tobacco use	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	
11	TOBACCOUSE	Tobacco use	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	Populate only if TOBSCREEN value is 1=Yes.
12	TOBCOUNSEL	Tobacco cessation counseling/education received	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	Populate only if TOBSCREEN value is 1=Yes and TOBACCOUSE value is 1=Yes.
13	ENDSSCREEN	Screened for electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) use during Audit period	Audit period	# field with: 1=Yes 2=No	ENDS include: vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pipes. Limit to nicotine for Audit.



There are changes every year!

Audit Data File: sample

```
dm audit 2026.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
AUDITDATE^FACILITYNA^REVIEWER^STATE^MOB^YOB^SEX^DODX^DMTYPE^TOBScreen^TOBACCUSE^TOBCOUNSEL^ENDSSCREEN^ENDSUSE^FEET^INCHES^WE
12/31/2025^2013 DEMO HOSPITAL (^LAB^NM^4^1950^1^ ^2^2^ ^ ^2^ ^5^8.00^ ^1^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^2^2^2^2^2^4^2^2^1^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^
12/31/2025^2013 DEMO HOSPITAL (^LAB^NM^3^1964^1^05/15/1993^2^2^ ^ ^2^ ^5^10.00^ ^1^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^2^2^2^2^2^4^2^2^1^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^
12/31/2025^2013 DEMO HOSPITAL (^LAB^NM^9^1933^2^02/15/1992^2^2^ ^ ^2^ ^5^1.00^ ^1^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^2^2^2^2^2^4^2^2^1^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^
12/31/2025^2013 DEMO HOSPITAL (^LAB^NM^8^1979^2^ ^2^2^ ^ ^2^ ^4^8.00^ ^2^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^2^2^2^2^2^4^2^2^1^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^
12/31/2025^2013 DEMO HOSPITAL (^LAB^NM^4^1993^2^05/13/2005^2^2^ ^ ^2^ ^5^4.00^ ^2^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^2^2^2^2^2^4^2^2^1^2^2^2^2^2^2^2^
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Blank space here = no value

Example: Skip pattern

Tobacco screen = 2 No; then Tobacco use = null

- Can be viewed using Notepad, Word, Excel or other software that allows viewing of text files
- The Audit export data file contains raw data; don't edit anything here.
- **Only the original text file can be uploaded into the WebAudit.**

2026 Electronic Audit Checklist: RPMS



IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention Annual Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit 2026

Electronic Audit Checklist: IHS Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS)
February 2026

Step	1.0 Preparation	Completed?
1.1	Let your Area Diabetes Consultant ¹ know that you are planning to start conducting the Audit.	
1.2	Review the detailed 2026 Audit Instructions ² with particular attention to the section on conducting an electronic audit using RPMS in appendix A. Note the Summary of Changes for Audit 2026 on pp. 3-4.	
1.3	Install the RPMS patch for Audit 2026: Diabetes Management System (DMS) Version 2.0, Patch 19 . Your facility's Clinical Application Coordinator (CAC) or local RPMS support team will need to do this.	
1.4	Determine that you have access to the Audit 2026: Diabetes Management System (DMS) program after logging into the RPMS system. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request local RPMS Security Keys, if needed• See Audit Instructions pp. xx for list of RPMS keys to request.	

Coming Soon

- Preparation
- Identifying patients for Inclusion in Your Audit
- Review of Data Quality in RPMS
- Create Audit data file
- Submit and Review Data via WebAudit
- Review Data Quality in WebAudit

2026 Audit Non-RPMS Checklist



IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention Annual Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit 2026

Audit Checklist: Electronic Medical Record (EMR) Systems Other than RPMS
October 2025

Notes:

- This checklist provides general guidance on programming for the [IHS Diabetes Audit](#)¹ (Audit). It does not provide detailed information for any particular EMR system.
- There is a separate checklist for conducting Audits using the IHS Resource and Patient Management System (RPMS).
- Follow HIPAA guidelines for patient data confidentiality.
- Contact the IHS Audit team (diabetesaudit@ihs.gov) with any questions or to request resources.

Step	1.0 Preparation	Completed?
1.1	Notify your Area Diabetes Consultant ² (ADC) that you are planning to start Audit activities.	
1.2	View recorded webinar: Audit 2026 Orientation for Non-RPMS Electronic Audits (available on the Audit training page ³).	
1.3	Gather and carefully review resources for current year (2026). These are available on the Audit resources page ⁴ and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit Form • Audit Instructions (pay particular attention to Appendix A: IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit Data File Specifications for 2026) • Excel file of code lists 	
1.4	Identify technical personnel, including programmers, for your facility. These individuals may be in-house or with an external EMR vendor.	
1.5	Connect programmer(s) to key staff at your facility with knowledge relevant to the Audit process. Consider including staff from multiple departments: diabetes and/or Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) program; information technology (IT), medical, nursing, pharmacy, lab, optometry, dental, health information management (HIM), billing and coding, quality improvement, and administration.	
1.6	Develop a strategic plan that may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team member assignment • Consistent and ongoing communication among team members • Testing plan • Timelines 	

- Preparation
- Programming for the Audit export/data file
- Programming for patient lists/groups
- Testing and Troubleshooting
- Create Audit data file
- Submit and Review Data via WebAudit
- Documentation

Diabetes WebAudit



The IHS Diabetes Care and Outcomes Audit is a process to assess care and health outcomes for American Indians and Alaska Natives with diagnosed diabetes. IHS, Tribal and Urban Indian health care facilities nationwide participate in this process each year by auditing medical records for their patients with diabetes.

Login

The Diabetes WebAudit System

- The **WebAudit** is a set of internet-based tools for Audit data entry, uploading files from electronic Audits, data processing, and reporting.
- Data submitted into the WebAudit for all data processing and report tools are the same.
- Data and reports from previous audits are retained in the system.
 - Audit Reports go back to 2008 for many sites.
- **At least one person from each facility has access.**
 - In general, individuals directly involved with conducting the Diabetes Audit.
- **Interim Audits** can be submitted at anytime.

WebAudit Access and More

- **WebAudit access**
 - New – Register for an IHS Web Account (system separate from WebAudit)
 - Request WebAudit access (SOS)
- **WebAudit – Username**
 - If you ever had access but don't remember your login info, contact us instead of creating a new account.
- **WebAudit – User tip**
 - **Login** – In your browser, bookmark the [Audit website](#) or [WebAudit login page](#).
 - **Data Entry** – Use the tab and number keys.

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Diabetes WebAudit System

The WebAudit is a set of internet-based tools for Audit data entry, uploading files from electronic Audits, data processing, and reporting. The WebAudit tools can be used to conduct the Annual Audit and Interim Audits throughout the year.

With the WebAudit's point-and-click interface, users can quickly and easily enter or upload Audit data into a secure, centralized database. They can then view and edit their data, check it for errors, or download it in Excel format for local use. Summary reports are also available for the current year and previous years. Graphs with results over time in Excel format are also available for download.



- **Requirements:** To use the WebAudit, you must have a computer with internet access and an internet browser, such as Microsoft Edge.
- **Documentation:** Once logged into the WebAudit, users will find brief instructions on each page.
- **Request Access:** Each user must have their own account.

1. [Register for an IHS Web Account](#), if you do not already have one. The Username and Password for this account are separate from the account you use to log in to your local network.
2. [Request WebAudit access](#). Type in the Username and Password for your IHS Web Account and follow the instructions to request access.
3. Most requests for WebAudit accounts will be approved in 24 hours or less. You will receive an email message when your request is approved.
4. Contact the [IHS Audit team](#) if you have any questions or problems.
5. If you already have a WebAudit account, log in and/or reset your password.

Log in

<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/webaudit-information-and-account-requests/>

Submit and Review Data via the WebAudit

	Step	WebAudit Tool(s)
1	Enter # eligible patients (NOT number Audited)	Enter Facility Info
2	Submit data (choose one) Electronic Audit Manual Audit	Upload Data Data Entry
3	Check data for potential errors → edit data as needed	Data Quality Check View/Edit Data
4	Review reports and graphs of results → edit data as needed	Audit Reports & Trends Graphs View/Edit Data
5	“Lock” data	Lock Facility Data
6	Complete Audit evaluation (optional)	Link on screen and in email

Step 1: Enter in the number of patients that are considered eligible (number of patients meeting inclusion criteria minus number of patients excluded) OR the number of people in your Target Group (if this Interim Audit is for SDPI Reporting)

Diabetes WebAudit: Main Page



Diabetes WebAudit

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Data Processing




[Data Entry](#)

Enter data from a manual Audit (paper Audit forms).




[Upload Data](#)

Upload Audit Data File from an electronic Audit.



[View/Edit Data](#)

View and edit data entered or uploaded.



[Data Quality Check](#)

Check for potential data errors in data entered or uploaded.

Hello |

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Sign Out

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Audit Reports

Onscreen and PDF reports for single years, including the main Audit Report, Means, and SDPI Key Measures reports.



Trends Graphs

Excel file with a trends table and graphs of results over time for selected report items.



Means Graphs

Excel file with a table of means and graphs of the means over time for selected Audit items.

Data Quality Check – Brief Overview

Data Quality Check



Checks each data item and looks for data that **might be** or **are definitely incorrect**.

- Two types of errors:
 - **Potential:** Value “might be” incorrect.
 - Example: values that are higher or lower than expected (e.g., A1c<2)
 - **Definite:** Value is “definitely incorrect” **according to Audit logic**.
 - May be found in dates and skip patterns
 - date of diagnosis is before date of birth
 - received cessation counseling but is not a current tobacco user
- Two report sections:
 - **Summary:** Number of errors for each data field
 - **List:** Details for each error

Data Quality Check



Review the Summary and then the List. Look for:

- **Large number** of errors for one or more fields. If found:
 - Stop and explore possible reasons.
 - Create and upload a new data file, if necessary.
- **Small number** of errors for one or more fields. If found:
 - Review each one.
 - Determine if corrections are necessary.
 - ✓ If needed, make corrections in WebAudit and note in Comments.
 - ✓ If no corrections are needed, note in Comments to verify information.

Data Quality Check Summary Report – WebAudit



There are 77 records for this facility.

137 Potential Data Errors were found.

Table sorted by Field Name ascending.

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Field Name ^ v	Number of Potential Errors
Date of Diabetes Diagnosis	35
DM Therapy: Insulin	1
ENDS user	10
Multiple – See error message	7
Tobacco Cessation Counseling	77
Tobacco user	7

Data Quality Check Details List – WebAudit



There are 2 records for this facility.

5 Potential Data Errors were found.

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Table sorted by Field Name ascending.

Edit	WebAudit ID	Yr/Mo of Birth	Sex	Date of Diagnosis	Field Name	Value	Error Type	Error Message	Comments
	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v		^ v		^ v
	1002	1960 / 7	F	06/01/1960	Date of Diabetes Diagnosis	06/01/1960	Definite	Date of Diagnosis is earlier than Date of Birth. You must check both dates and change one or both dates.	Add comment
	1002	1960 / 7	F	06/01/1960	DM Therapy: Insulin	2	Potential	Response for this medication is inconsistent with DM type 1. Check DM type and therapy and change one or both if necessary.	Add comment
	1001	1990 / 5	F	03/01/2022	ENDS use status	None	Potential	Missing value. Enter a value if possible.	Add comment

Adding comments for DQC



- Add comments for all Potential Data Errors to verify data that does not need to be corrected.
- If needed, correct data in the record and save.

- Do not add comments for DQC in the actual record in DQC → Edit **or** Data Entry → View/Edit Data
- When entered here it is not viewed in the DQC report.

List of Audit Potential Data Errors for 2026
Facility: Test20 SS
2026 Annual Audit

There are 977 records for this facility.
1888 Potential Data Errors were found.
Table sorted by Field Name ascending.

Show entries

Search:

Edit	WebAudit ID	Yr/Mo of Birth	Sex	Date of Diagnosis	Field Name	Value	Error Type	Error Message	Comments
	1941	1944 / 10	M	07/11/2012	A1C Date Obtained	06/11/2012	Potential	Date of HbA1c is more than 20 days earlier than Date of Diagnosis.	Add comment

Data Quality Check

Audit Potential Data Errors

Add a comment for WebAudit ID 1941:

+ Data Entry Instructions

You are now entering record 1 since you logged in.

Audit 2026
Facility: Test20 SS
Annual Audit

Local question:

Extended local question:

Comments

Type any additional information you would like to have about this record. This information is for your use only.

Comments:

Correcting a data value (Ex. BMI)



List of Audit Potential Data Errors for 2026

Facility: Test20 SS

2026 Annual Audit

There are 75 records for this facility.

27 Potential Data Errors were found.

Table sorted by WebAudit ID ascending.

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Edit	WebAudit ID	Yr/Mo of Birth	Sex	Date of Diagnosis	Field Name	Value	Error Type	Error Message	Comments
	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v		^ v		^ v
	1001	1958 / 8	M	07/15/1972	BMI	107.3	Potential	Value is unusually high (greater than 80). Check height and weight values and change one or the other if necessary.	Add comment
	1001	1958 / 8	M	07/15/1972	Height: feet	2.0	Potential	Value is unusually low (less than 4). Check this value and change if necessary.	<div>Review of chart shows height is 5 ft - 1in. (example)</div> <div> Edit Remove </div>



Correcting a data value (Ex. BMI)



In record # 1001:

*

Required Fields

WebAudit ID for this record	* Audit Period End Date	Facility Name	IHS Area Code	SU Code	Facility Code	Number of Eligible Patients
1001	<div>(mm/dd/yyyy)</div> <div>12/31/2024</div>	Test02 Sample Data	TE	ST	02	75

Vital Statistics

** Height (last ever):

Potential Error: BMI - Value is unusually high (greater than 80). Check height and weight values and change one or the other if necessary.

Potential Error: Height: feet - Value is unusually low (less than 4). Check this value and change if necessary.

feet

2

inches

11.00

Enter feet and inches OR inches only (e.g. 63 inches)

** Weight (last in Audit period):

Potential Error: BMI - Value is unusually high (greater than 80). Check height and weight values and change one or the other if necessary.

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Potential Error Comment: Height: feet - Review of chart shows height is 5 ft - 1in. (example)

Correcting a data value (Ex. BMI)



WebAudit ID for this record	* Audit Period End Date	Facility Name	IHS Area Code	SU Code	Facility Code	Number of Eligible Patients
1001	(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2025	Test02 Sample Data	TE	ST	02	75

Vital Statistics

** Height (last ever):

Potential Error: BMI - Value is unusually high (greater than 80). Check height and weight values and change one or the other if necessary.

Potential Error: Height: feet - Value is unusually low (less than 4). Check this value and change if necessary.

Potential Error Comment: Height: feet - Review of chart shows height is 5 ft - 1in. (example)

feet	inches
<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>



Enter feet and inches OR inches only (e.g. 63 inches)

** Weight (last in Audit period):

Potential Error: BMI - Value is unusually high (greater than 80). Check height and weight values and change one or the other if necessary.

Comments Section

Type any additional information you would like to have about this record. This information is for your use only.

Comments:



Save

Cancel

Next Steps:

- Enter correct value
- Scroll down to the bottom of page
- Hit Save

Note: Potential Error for this measure will also disappear off of the DQC.

Electronic Audits – Common Issue



Issue: Large number of patients missing all key data fields

List of Audit Potential Data Errors for 2026									
Facility: Test20 SS									
2026 Annual Audit									
	1019	1972 / 7	F	04/07/2021	Multiple – See error message	None	Potential	Record is missing data for ALL of the key fields: weight, blood pressure, A1C, LDL value, and uACR value.	No visit in 2025 noted in chart.
	1047	1973 / 5	M		Multiple – See error message	None	Potential	Record is missing data for ALL of the key fields: weight, blood pressure, A1C, LDL value, and uACR value.	"Telehealth visit for DM Care"

Potential issue could result from:

- patients not truly eligible (should be removed) OR
- patients only having telehealth visits during Audit period (okay).

Note: If necessary, create and upload a new data file.

Removal of a record



After verifying that the record should be removed → Data processing → View/Edit Data

List of Records for Audit 2026







Facility: Test20 SS

Annual Audit

75 Records.

Download Data in Excel

List sorted by Entry Date ascending.

Edit	Remove	WebAudit ID	Year/Month of Birth	Sex	Date of Diagnosis	Entry Date	Modified Date	Audit Date
		^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v	^ v
		1018	1951 / 5	Male	01/08/2016	03/02/2025 9:07 PM	03/02/2025 9:07 PM	12/31/2024
		1019	1972 / 7	Female	04/07/2021	03/02/2025 9:07 PM	03/02/2025 9:07 PM	12/31/2024
		1047	1973 / 5	Male		03/02/2025 9:07 PM	03/02/2025 9:07 PM	12/31/2024

Additional Tips

- **Start early!**
- **Maintain DM Registers or Lists.**
 - Having an updated Register makes identifying those eligible for the DM Audit easier.
 - RPMS: View your Master List and share with others.
 - Update quarterly.
 - Programs transitioning to other EMRs from RPMS run a Master List and save.
- **Use those Audit Check Lists.**
- **Data clean up is an important step.**

Review the WebAudit reports – especially the Data Quality Report.
Makes data clean up easier for ADCs and DDTP
Provides a better understanding about your data

Audit Data Security



Manual Audits: Paper forms contain patient data and should be handled according to facility policies.

Electronic Audits

- RPMS/DMS Audit data files and some reports contain patient data and should be handled according to facility policies.
- Save DMS Audit files in a secure location, as instructed by your facility.

WebAudit

- Do not give your username/password to anyone.
- Lock your workstation or log out if you need to do something else.
- Handle files and documents with patient data (from View/Download Data or Data Quality Check tool) according to facility policies.

Audit Support



- **Area Diabetes Consultants**
 - Area Audit Support
 - Link to access ADC list: [Area Diabetes Consultants](#)
- **DDTP Audit team**
 - WebAudit & general questions
 - Email: diabetesaudit@ihs.gov (goes to Devina Boga and Dorinda Wiley-Bradley)
- **RPMS (OIT Service Desk):** <https://www.ihs.gov/Helpdesk/>
 - Specific to RPMS: DMS (BDM) and Visual DMS program support
 - Installation, program functionalities and service issues
 - On this webpage page go to: [IHS IT Self-Service Portal](#)

Audit Resources



- **IHS Diabetes Audit**
 - Materials: Form, Instructions, Checklists, RPMS/DMS documentation
 - Training: Live, recorded, DMS
 - Other information and resources
 - **Website:** <https://www.ihs.gov/Diabetes/audit/>
- **Other:**
 - RPMS DMS recorded trainings
 - **Link:** <https://www.ihs.gov/rpms/training/recording-and-material-library/>

Upcoming Audit 2026 Webinars



- **2026 Audit Reports - February 24, 2026**
 - Overview of changes to Audit Reports for 2026 and guidance for reading and reviewing Audit reports

Please visit the Audit Training webpage for more information:
<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/audit/audittrain/>

All Webinars will be recorded.

Thank you for attending today's session.

We look forward to seeing your data!

Questions?