

Calendar (CA) Section
November 14, 2017

MEPS P21R5/P22R3/P23R1

The MEPS instrument design changed beginning in Spring of 2018, affecting Panel 23 Round 1, Panel 22 Round 3, and Panel 21 Round 5, and affected the 2017 MEPS data files. The MEPS website releases the consolidated CAPI survey instruments each year for the Rounds 1 through 3 for the first year panel and Rounds 3 through 5 for the second year panel to accompany data releases. For the Full-Year 2017 PUFs, the Panel 22 Round 3 and Panel 21 Round 5 data were transformed to the degree possible to conform to the previous year (2016) design. For this reason, we are releasing 2016 CAPI survey instruments, updated to reflect 2017 dates, and **users should note that not all changes to the instrument administered in the Spring of 2018 will be reflected in these documents.**

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BOX_01

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| IF ROUND 1 OR IF RESPONDENT FOR THIS ROUND IS NOT |
| THE SAME AS THE RESPONDENT FOR THE PREVIOUS ROUND, |
| GO TO CA01 |

| IF NOT ROUND 1 AND IF RESPONDENT FOR THIS ROUND |
| IS SAME AS RESPONDENT FOR THE PREVIOUS ROUND, |
| CONTINUE WITH BOX_02 |

BOX_02

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| IF NOT ROUND 1 AND RESPONDENT USED ANY CALENDAR |
| DURING THE PREVIOUS ROUND'S INTERVIEW - CL67 IS |
| CODED '1' (YES) FOR USE OF MONTHLY PLANNER, HEALTH |
| EVENTS WORKSHEET, RECORD FILE, OR OTHER CALENDAR, |
| GO TO CA02 |

| OTHERWISE, CONTINUE WITH CA01 |

CA01
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The next questions are about health care received {since {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}/between {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD} and {END DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}}. Some of these questions ask for information which may be difficult to remember. It is important to get complete and accurate information, so please take your time and feel free to refer to any records you may have.

TYPES OF RECORDS THAT ARE HELPFUL (USE RECORDS JOB AID IN QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE AS NEEDED):

- Any kind of calendar or electronic calendar that you regularly use to keep track of health care appointments. (If you wrote things down on the monthly planner we mailed you, we can use that.)
- Any records that might help you remember health care received without an appointment, such as a health insurance statement, or a payment record like a credit card statement or checkbook log.

ASK RESPONDENT TO GET RECORD KEEPING MATERIALS IF NOT ALREADY OUT.

HAS MEPS RECORD KEEPING MATERIALS 1 {CA03}
HAS SOME OTHER TYPE OF RECORD KEEPING
MATERIALS 2 {CA03}
DOES NOT HAVE RECORDS 3 {CA04}
WILL NOT USE RECORDS 4 {CA04}

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| DISPLAY 'since {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}' |  
| IF NOT ROUND 5. DISPLAY 'between {START DATE OF |  
| REFERENCE PERIOD} and {END DATE OF REFERENCE |  
| PERIOD}' IF ROUND 5. |  
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| FOR 'START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD', DISPLAY THE |  
| START DATE OF THE CURRENT INTERVIEW AS MM/DD/YYYY. |  
| FOR 'END DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD', DISPLAY THE RU |  
| END DATE FOR ROUND 5 AS MM/DD/YYYY. |  
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CA02
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The next questions are about health care received {since {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}/between {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD} and {END DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}}. As you may remember from the last interview, some of these questions ask for information which may be difficult to remember.

TYPES OF RECORDS THAT ARE HELPFUL (USE RECORDS JOB AID IN QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE AS NEEDED):

- Any kind of calendar or electronic calendar that you regularly use to keep track of health care appointments. (If you wrote things down on the monthly planner we mailed you, we can use that.)
- Any records that might help you remember health care received without an appointment, such as a health insurance statement, or a payment record like a credit card statement or checkbook log.

THANK RESPONDENT FOR USING RECORDS DURING THE PREVIOUS INTERVIEW.
ASK RESPONDENT TO GET RECORD KEEPING MATERIALS IF NOT ALREADY OUT.

HAS MEPS RECORD KEEPING MATERIALS..... 1 {CA03}
HAS SOME OTHER TYPE OF RECORD KEEPING
MATERIALS 2 {CA03}
DOES NOT HAVE RECORDS 3 {CA04}
WILL NOT USE RECORDS 4 {CA04}

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| DISPLAY 'since {START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD}' |  
| IF NOT ROUND 5. DISPLAY 'between {START DATE OF |  
| REFERENCE PERIOD} and {END DATE OF REFERENCE |  
| PERIOD}' IF ROUND 5. |  
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| FOR 'START DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD', DISPLAY THE |  
| START DATE OF THE CURRENT INTERVIEW AS MM/DD/YYYY. |  
| FOR 'END DATE OF REFERENCE PERIOD', DISPLAY THE RU |  
| END DATE FOR ROUND 5 AS MM/DD/YYYY. |  
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CA03

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Has anyone in the family been keeping records of **all** visits to medical providers and medical places, **most** of the visits, only **some** of the visits, or have no records been kept?

IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN RU: Do you have records that cover health care received for **each** person (in your family)?

PROBE AS NEEDED TO ESTABLISH HOW WELL THE RESPONDENT'S RECORDS COVER THE HEALTH CARE VISITS FOR ALL FAMILY MEMBERS.

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| ALL VISITS RECORDED | 1 | {BOX_05} |
| MOST VISITS RECORDED | 2 | {BOX_05} |
| SOME VISITS RECORDED | 3 | {CA04} |
| NO RECORDS KEPT..... | 4 | {CA04} |
| VOLUNTEERED: NO EVENTS TO RECORD | 5 | {BOX_05} |
| REF | -7 | {CA04} |
| DK | -8 | {CA04} |

[Code One]

| THE COMPUTER SUMMARY ITEMS (BOX_03 - CA05) WERE |
| REMOVED IN PANEL 12 ROUND 2. STARTING IN |
| PANEL 13, THESE ITEMS WILL BE OMITTED IN ALL |
| ROUNDS. |

CA04
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GIVE RESPONDENT A MONTHLY PLANNER (CALENDAR).

Through the rest of the interview, there are questions that will ask for dates. When you do not remember the date, we can refer to this calendar for help.

CIRCLE {TODAY'S DATE/12/31/{YEAR}} {AND DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW}.

PRESS ENTER OR SELECT NEXT PAGE TO CONTINUE.

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| DISPLAY 'TODAY'S DATE' IF NOT ROUND 5. DISPLAY |  
| '12/31/{YEAR}' IF ROUND 5. FOR {YEAR} DISPLAY |  
| SECOND YEAR OF PANEL. |  
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| DISPLAY 'AND DATE OF LAST INTERVIEW' IF NOT |  
| ROUND 1. OTHERWISE, USE A NULL DISPLAY. |  
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| THE COMPUTER SUMMARY ITEMS (BOX_03 - CA05) WERE |  
| REMOVED IN PANEL 12 ROUND 2. STARTING IN |  
| PANEL 13, THESE ITEMS WILL BE OMITTED IN ALL |  
| ROUNDS. |  
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| GO TO BOX_05 |  
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| GO TO NEXT QUESTIONNAIRE SECTION |  
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