

Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

This file contains information about the respondents' use of all types of medical services and about their usual source of medical care. This file also contains the sample people's assessment of the quality of the medical care that they receive.

RIC	1	2			C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1			C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT		C Unique SP Identification Number
			14,916		LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
ERVISIT	12	2	YES1FMT	AC1	N Since refer date did SP go ER for care?
			10,300		. Inapplicable
			18		-8 Don't know
			1,113		1 Yes
			3,485		2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

ERAPPT	14	2	YES1FMT	AC3	N Have appointment for recent visit to ER
			10,897		. Inapplicable
			2		-9 Not ascertained
			55		-8 Don't know
			1		-7 Refused
			285		1 Yes
			3,676		2 No

Note: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview

ERDRTEL	16	2	YES1FMT	AC4	N Did a Dr tell SP to go to ER for visit?
			11,182		. Inapplicable
			2		-9 Not ascertained
			85		-8 Don't know
			1		-7 Refused
			850		1 Yes
			2,796		2 No

Note: Inapplicable if ERAPPT is not equal to . or 1

D_ERVIS	18	4	MINFMT	AC5	N Mins altogether for ER visit
			10,898		. Inapplicable
			2		-9 Not ascertained
			608		-8 Don't know
			1		-7 Refused
			583		0-60 up to 1 hour
			690		61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
			563		121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
			506		181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
			329		241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
			261		301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
			108		361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
			144		421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
			223		More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_ERWAIT	22	4	SECFMT			AC6	N Mins wait altogether before see ER Dr
				10,897			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				527			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,964			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				562			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				154			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				336			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				10			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				80			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				12			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				133			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				238			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

ERADMT	26	2	YES1FMT			AC7	N Was SP admitted to hospital from ER?
				13,803			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				505			1 Yes
				605			2 No

Note: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where ERVISIT = 1

OPDVISIT	28	2	YES1FMT			AC8	N Since reference date did SP go to OPD?
				10,300			. Inapplicable
				19			-8 Don't know
				1,379			1 Yes
				3,218			2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

OPDMCOND	30	2	IND1FMT			AC9	N Reason for OPD visit - medical condition
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,613			1 Indicated
				2,957			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview

OPDTESTS	32	2	IND1FMT			AC9	N Reason for OPD visit - tests
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,106			1 Indicated
				2,464			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OPDFOLUP	34	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - follow-up
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				522			1 Indicated
				5,048			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDCHKUP	36	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - checkup
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				607			1 Indicated
				4,963			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDRFRL	38	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - referral
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				41			1 Indicated
				5,529			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDSURGY	40	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - surgery
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				404			1 Indicated
				5,166			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDPSHOT	42	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - preventative shot
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				10			1 Indicated
				5,560			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OPDTSHOT	44	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - treatment shot
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				34			1 Indicated
				5,536			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDPMED	46	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - medication
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				17			1 Indicated
				5,553			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDOTHER	48	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - other
				9,017			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				325			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				115			1 Indicated
				5,455			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDSCOND	50	2	YES1FMT	AC10			N Was visit to OPD for specific condition?
				14,245			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				454			1 Yes
				211			2 No
				Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern.			
OPDAPPT	52	2	APPTFMT	AC12			N Was OPD visit by appointment or walk-in
				9,018			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				348			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				4,654			1 Appointment
				891			2 Walked in
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or contuing SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDDRTEL	54	2	TOLDFMT	AC13			N Did someone in OPD tell SP to come back?
				10,262			. Inapplicable
				59			-8 Don't know
				2,966			1 Told to come back during a prior visit
				1,629			2 Called for an appointment
				Note: Applies only if OPDAPPT = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_OPAPPT	56	4	DAYFMT			AC14	N Days - SP waited for OPD appointment
				13,287			. Inapplicable
				137			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				195			0 Didn't have wait
				421			1-3 1 to 3 days
				135			4-6 4 to 6 days
				305			7-9 7 to 9 days
				27			10-12 10 to 12 days
				198			13-15 13 to 15 days
				1			16-18 16 to 18 days
				66			19-21 19 to 21 days
				143			over 3 weeks

Notes: Applies only if OPDDRTEL = 2
 First available in 1992

D_OPVIS	60	4	MINFMT			AC15	N Mins - visit w/ OPD Dr take altogether?
				9,018			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				749			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				2,796			0-60 up to 1 hour
				1,081			61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				467			121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				318			181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				165			241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				108			301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				44			361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				59			421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				105			More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

D_OPWAIT	64	4	SECFMT			AC16	N Mins - SP spent wait before see OPD Dr
				9,018			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				727			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				3,224			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				1,089			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				267			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				278			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				14			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				63			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				12			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				86			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				132			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview
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NHRESEVR 68 2 YES1FMT AC17 N Ever been resident/patient in nurs home
 10,300 . Inapplicable
 1 -8 Don't know
 207 1 Yes
 4,408 2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

NHLRESYY 70 4 YRFMT AC18 N Yr last resident/patient in nursing home
 14,709 . Inapplicable
 9 -8 Don't know
 198 Four-digit year

Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1

NHLRESMM 74 2 MONTHFMT AC18 N Mo last resident/patient in nursing home
 14,709 . Inapplicable
 60 -8 Don't know
 0 -5 Never ask again
 10 1 January
 7 2 February
 12 3 March
 16 4 April
 16 5 May
 11 6 June
 14 7 July
 19 8 August
 12 9 September
 10 10 October
 12 11 November
 8 12 December

Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1

MDVISIT 76 2 YES1FMT AC19 N Since reference date has SP seen med Dr
 10,300 . Inapplicable
 9 -8 Don't know
 3,926 1 Yes
 681 2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MDSPCLTY	78	2	SPCLFMT			AC20	N MD spec., excl in home/hosp--most recent
				1,388			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				365			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				46			1 Allergy & Immunology
				15			2 Anesthesiology
				804			3 Cardiology (heart)
				386			5 Dermatology (skin)
				0			6 Emergency Room physician
				117			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				1,824			8 Family practice
				177			9 Gastroenterology
				4,121			10 General practice
				162			11 General surgery
				61			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				164			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				40			14 Hematology (blood)
				9			15 Hospital residence
				2,031			16 Internal medicine
				136			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				232			18 Neurology
				7			19 Nuclear Medicine
				235			20 Oncology
				738			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				415			22 Orthopaedics
				119			24 Osteopathy
				144			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				4			26 Pathology
				15			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				19			28 Plastic surgery
				9			29 Proctology
				223			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				158			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				23			32 Radiology
				117			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				7			34 Thoracic Surgery
				325			35 Urology
				0			36 Audiologist
				0			37 Chiropractor
				0			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				0			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				275			91 Other medical specialty

Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.

MDMCOND	80	2	IND1FMT			AC21	N Reason Dr was seen - med condition named
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				7,183			1 Indicated
				6,236			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

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MDTESTS 82 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - tests
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 105 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 1,747 1 Indicated
 11,672 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDFOLUP 84 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - follow-up
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 105 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 2,910 1 Indicated
 10,509 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDCHKUP 86 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - checkup
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 105 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 6,078 1 Indicated
 7,341 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDRFRL 88 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - referral
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 105 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 115 1 Indicated
 13,304 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDSURGY 90 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - surgery
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 105 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 251 1 Indicated
 13,168 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MDPSHOT	92	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - preventative shot
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				88			1 Indicated
				13,331			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDTSHOT	94	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - treatment shot
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				31			1 Indicated
				13,388			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDPMED	96	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - medication
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				76			1 Indicated
				13,343			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDOTHER	98	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - other
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				73			1 Indicated
				13,346			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDSCOND	100	2	YES1FMT	AC22			N Was Dr's visit for a specific condition?
				12,934			. Inapplicable
				10			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				937			1 Yes
				1,034			2 No

Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.

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MDAPPT 102 2 APPTFMT AC24 N Was visit to Dr - appointment/walk - in
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 107 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 12,830 1 Appointment
 587 2 Walked in

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDDRTEL 104 2 TOLDFMT AC25 N Someone in Dr office tell SP come back?
 2,086 . Inapplicable
 47 -8 Don't know
 8,484 1 Told to come back during a prior visit
 4,299 2 Called for an appointment

Note: Applies only if MDAPPT = 1

D_MDAPPT 106 4 DAYFMT AC26 N Days - SP waited for Dr's appointment
 10,616 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 174 -8 Don't know
 700 0 Didn't have wait
 1,426 1-3 1 to 3 days
 332 4-6 4 to 6 days
 703 7-9 7 to 9 days
 49 10-12 10 to 12 days
 441 13-15 13 to 15 days
 1 16-18 16 to 18 days
 153 19-21 19 to 21 days
 320 over 3 weeks

Notes: Applies only if MDDRTEL = 2
 First available in 1992

D_MDVIS 110 4 MINFMT AC27 N Mins - visit w/ Dr altogether?
 1,385 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 677 -8 Don't know
 2 -7 Refused
 9,827 0-60 up to 1 hour
 2,278 61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
 462 121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
 158 181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
 59 241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
 34 301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
 5 361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
 7 421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
 16 More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_MDWAIT	114	4	SECFMT		AC28		N Mins - SP spent waiting before seeing Dr
				1,385			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				652			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				7,892			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				2,976			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				683			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				651			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				73			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				201			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				49			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				155			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				192			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

MDVCHOIC	118	2	YES1FMT		AC28a		N Was the Dr you saw your first choice?
				9,869			. Inapplicable
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				93			-8 Don't know
				4,718			1 Yes
				230			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if MDDRTEL = 1 or SP had no doctor visit
 First available in 1998

HCTROUBL	120	2	YES2FMT		AC29		N Has SP had troub get needed health care?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				16			-8 Don't know
				12			-7 Refused
				719			1 Yes
				14,166			2 No

HCTMONEY	122	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: not enough money
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				208			1 Indicated
				511			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
 First available in 2002

HCTHIGH	124	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: cost too high
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				258			1 Indicated
				461			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
 First available in 2002

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HCTNOCOV	126	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: svc/supp not covered
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				154			1 Indicated
				565			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTTRANS	128	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: need transportation
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				70			1 Indicated
				649			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHOMEH	130	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: home death care
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				27			1 Indicated
				692			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTNTREA	132	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr won't treat
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				78			1 Indicated
				641			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTWAIT	134	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr too busy
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				73			1 Indicated
				646			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTACPMC	136	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr wont accept Mcare
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				59			1 Indicated
				660			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTELIG	138	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: inelig for pub cov
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				42			1 Indicated
				677			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			

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HCTDELAY	140	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: delay bc SP on Mcare
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				51			1 Indicated
				668			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTSPECL	142	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: specialist referral
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				10			1 Indicated
				709			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMORF	144	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO referral dfficlt
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				38			1 Indicated
				681			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMOMD	146	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO Drs not good
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				43			1 Indicated
				676			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMOCV	148	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO would'nt cover
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				34			1 Indicated
				685			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTOTHER	150	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Other
				14,197			. Inapplicable
				98			1 Indicated
				621			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
CGETAPPT	152	2	YES1FMT	AC30b			N SP told by Dr office couldn't sched appt
				14,301			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				93			1 Yes
				518			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HCTACPMC ^= 1 & HCTDELAY ^= 1 First available in 2002			
CGETINSR	154	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept insurance plan
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				11			1 Indicated
				82			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETFULL	156	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N No appointments were open
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				18			1 Indicated
				75			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETNNEW	158	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new patients
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				7			1 Indicated
				86			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETNNMP	160	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new Medicare patients
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				4			1 Indicated
				89			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETHOUR	162	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr's office hours conflicted w/ SP sched
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				3			1 Indicated
				90			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			

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CGETCAID	164	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Dr doesn't accept Medicaid
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				14			1 Indicated
				79			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETNAMC	166	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Dr doesn't accept any Medicare patients
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				9			1 Indicated
				84			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETNAMA	168	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Dr doesn't accept Medicare assignment
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Indicated
				92			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETAPRV	170	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Dr felt other provider would be better
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				4			1 Indicated
				89			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
CGETOTHR	172	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Other reason for not scheduling Dr appt
				14,823			. Inapplicable
				42			1 Indicated
				51			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002			
OFFEXPLN	174	2	YES1FMT		AC30d		N Dr's office explained difficulty w/Mcare
				14,799			. Inapplicable
				21			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				27			1 Yes
				68			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if CGETNNMP = 1 or CGETNAMC = 1 First available in 2002			
OFFEXVB1	176	45			AC30e		C Why Mcare not accepted -- verbatim #1
				Notes: Applies only if OFFEXPLN = 1 First available in 2002			

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Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OFFEXVB2	221	45				AC30e	C Why Mcare not accepted -- verbatim #2
Notes: Applies only if OFFEXPLN = 1 & SP gave more than one reason First available in 2002							
OFFEXVC1	266	2	WHYNOMED			AC30e	N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #1
				14,889			. Inapplicable
				3			1 Medicare doesn't pay enough
				3			2 Doctor has too many patients
				0			3 Medicare requires too much paperwork
				8			4 Medicare/Medicaid patients not accepted
				6			5 Services are not covered
				2			6 Cost too high for SP
				5			91 Other reason
				0			95 Unable to code
Notes: Applies if OFFEXPLN = 1 First available in 2003							
OFFEXVC2	268	2	WHYNOMED			AC30e	N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #2
				14,913			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Medicare doesn't pay enough
				2			2 Doctor has too many patients
				0			3 Medicare requires too much paperwork
				0			4 Medicare/Medicaid patients not accepted
				0			5 Services are not covered
				0			6 Cost too high for SP
				1			91 Other reason
				0			95 Unable to code
Notes: Applies if OFFEXPLN = 1 and there is more than one reason First available in 2003							
OFFEXVC3	270	2	WHYNOMED			AC30e	N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #3
				14,916			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Medicare doesn't pay enough
				0			2 Doctor has too many patients
				0			3 Medicare requires too much paperwork
				0			4 Medicare/Medicaid patients not accepted
				0			5 Services are not covered
				0			6 Cost too high for SP
				0			91 Other reason
				0			95 Unable to code
Notes: Applies if OFFEXPLN = 1 and there are more than two reasons First available in 2003							
HCDELAY	272	2	YES2FMT			AC31	N Last year did SP delay care due to cost?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				10			-8 Don't know
				13			-7 Refused
				1,219			1 Yes
				13,671			2 No

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HEARMHMO	274	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1aa	N Heard of HMO that Medicare bene can join
				2,825			. Inapplicable
				9			-9 Not ascertained
				97			-8 Don't know
				6,748			1 Yes
				5,237			2 No

Notes: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.
 First available in 1996

AREAHMO	276	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1bb	N HMO in area that Medicare bene can join?
				8,168			. Inapplicable
				1,469			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				3,552			1 Yes
				1,724			2 No

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1
 First available in 1996

OFFRAREA	278	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1cc1	N Does SP prefer more HMOs offered in area
				5,343			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				831			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,710			1 Yes
				7,029			2 No

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or .
 First available in 1998

DIFFSRVC	280	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1cc2	N Prefer HMO offer diff serv than provided
				8,536			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				455			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,531			1 Yes
				4,389			2 No

Notes: Applies only if AREAHMO = 1 or HEARMHMO = .
 First available in 1998

HIINFO	282	2	SAT1FMT			HIMC1dd	N How satisfied is SP w/ info abt choices
				5,343			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				123			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,844			1 Very satisfied
				7,177			2 Satisfied
				373			3 Dissatisfied
				53			4 Very dissatisfied
				0			5 No experience

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or .
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HIADDINF	284	2	HIADDFMT				N Addl info on hlth coverage info SP wants
				5,343			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				75			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				8,552			1 No additional info needed/wanted
				943			91 Record all other responses verbatim

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or .
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD1	286	2	HIADCFMT				N Kind of additional information wanted #1
				13,973			. Inapplicable
				214			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				26			2 List of doctors and credentials
				6			3 Location / transportation
				88			4 Cost issues
				15			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				0			6 Availability of referrals
				142			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				17			8 Include people with special cond
				4			9 Quality of the care
				100			10 General clear information
				331			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD2	288	2	HIADCFMT				N Kind of additional information wanted #2
				14,802			. Inapplicable
				30			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				8			2 List of doctors and credentials
				1			3 Location / transportation
				30			4 Cost issues
				6			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				4			6 Availability of referrals
				12			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				6			8 Include people with special cond
				0			9 Quality of the care
				4			10 General clear information
				13			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 2nd reason was given
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VCHIADD3	290	2	HIADCFMT			HIMClee	N Kind of additional information wanted #3
				14,909			. Inapplicable
				2			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				0			2 List of doctors and credentials
				0			3 Location / transportation
				2			4 Cost issues
				0			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				1			6 Availability of referrals
				0			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				0			8 Include people with special cond
				0			9 Quality of the care
				0			10 General clear information
				2			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD4	292	2	HIADCFMT			HIMClee	N Kind of additional information wanted #4
				14,915			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				0			2 List of doctors and credentials
				0			3 Location / transportation
				0			4 Cost issues
				0			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				0			6 Availability of referrals
				0			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				0			8 Include people with special cond
				0			9 Quality of the care
				0			10 General clear information
				0			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

JOINMHMO	294	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1ff	N Ever considered joining an HMO?
				13,354			. Inapplicable
				13			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				249			1 Yes
				1,299			2 No

Notes: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where AREAMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCJOIN1	296	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1gg	N 1st reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				13,617			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				313			10 Satisfied with current situation
				224			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				7			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				4			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				37			19 Satisfied / other reason
				346			20 Negative to HMOs
				7			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				21			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				14			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				2			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				3			29 Negative / other
				26			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				59			31 Don't know enouth
				7			32 No HMO in area
				34			33 Dont like change
				44			34 Health is good - don't need
				7			39 Indifferent / other
				143			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

VCJOIN2	298	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1gg	N 2nd reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				14,184			. Inapplicable
				66			10 Satisfied with current situation
				305			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				44			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				6			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				1			19 Satisfied / other reason
				6			20 Negative to HMOs
				99			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				82			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				43			23 Negative / higher costs
				2			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				6			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				1			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				22			31 Don't know enouth
				0			32 No HMO in area
				25			33 Dont like change
				22			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				1			91 Other specified
				1			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCJOIN3	300	2	JOINCFMT				N 3rd reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				14,598			. Inapplicable
				31			10 Satisfied with current situation
				17			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				50			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				22			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				1			19 Satisfied / other reason
				31			20 Negative to HMOs
				9			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				45			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				7			23 Negative / higher costs
				10			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				15			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				4			31 Don't know enough
				1			32 No HMO in area
				63			33 Dont like change
				11			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				1			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCJOIN4	302	2	JOINCFMT				N 4th reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				14,709			. Inapplicable
				12			10 Satisfied with current situation
				13			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				6			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				42			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				8			20 Negative to HMOs
				3			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				17			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				10			23 Negative / higher costs
				10			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				26			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				23			33 Dont like change
				37			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
IFMHMO	304	2	YES1FMT			HIMC1hh	N If HMO in area would SP consider joining
				14,427			. Inapplicable
				46			-8 Don't know
				109			1 Yes
				334			2 No

Notes: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where AREAMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

VCIFMH1	306	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 1st reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				14,582			. Inapplicable
				41			10 Satisfied with current situation
				54			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				15			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				34			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				65			20 Negative to HMOs
				12			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				28			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				8			23 Negative / higher costs
				2			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				2			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				6			29 Negative / other
				39			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				4			31 Don't know enouth
				10			32 No HMO in area
				2			33 Dont like change
				3			34 Health is good - don't need
				1			39 Indifferent / other
				8			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCIFMH2	308	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 2nd reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				14,896			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				2			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				1			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				4			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				3			20 Negative to HMOs
				5			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				4			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				1			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCIFMH3	310	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 3rd reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				14,915			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				0			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				0			20 Negative to HMOs
				0			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				1			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCIFMH4	312	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 4th reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				14,916			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				0			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				0			20 Negative to HMOs
				0			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				0			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

MCQUALTY	314	2	SAT2FMT			SC1	N Satis w/ qual of med care rec'd last yr
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				31			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				4,404			1 Very satisfied
				9,476			2 Satisfied
				468			3 Dissatisfied
				87			4 Very dissatisfied
				430			5 No experience
MCAVAIL	316	2	SAT2FMT			SC2	N Satis w/ avail med care night & weekends
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				52			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				1,511			1 Very satisfied
				6,675			2 Satisfied
				472			3 Dissatisfied
				139			4 Very dissatisfied
				6,043			5 No experience
MCEASE	318	2	SAT2FMT			SC3	N Ease of get to Dr from where SP lives
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				36			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				2,929			1 Very satisfied
				10,747			2 Satisfied
				692			3 Dissatisfied
				135			4 Very dissatisfied
				355			5 No experience

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCCOSTS	320	2	SAT2FMT		SC4		N Satis w/ OOP costs for medical services
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				77			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,369			1 Very satisfied
				9,535			2 Satisfied
				1,798			3 Dissatisfied
				537			4 Very dissatisfied
				579			5 No experience
MCINFO	322	2	SAT2FMT		SC5		N Satis w/ info abt what was wrong w/ you
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				74			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				2,693			1 Very satisfied
				10,894			2 Satisfied
				653			3 Dissatisfied
				113			4 Very dissatisfied
				466			5 No experience
MCFOLUP	324	2	SAT2FMT		SC6		N Satis w/ folowup care after inital treat
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				70			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				2,780			1 Very satisfied
				10,167			2 Satisfied
				399			3 Dissatisfied
				82			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,395			5 No experience
MCCONCRN	326	2	SAT2FMT		SC7		N Satis w/ Dr's concern for overall health
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				129			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				3,049			1 Very satisfied
				10,371			2 Satisfied
				654			3 Dissatisfied
				115			4 Very dissatisfied
				574			5 No experience
MCSAMLOC	328	2	SAT2FMT		SC8		N Satis w/ get med care done same location
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				80			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				2,184			1 Very satisfied
				10,108			2 Satisfied
				709			3 Dissatisfied
				97			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,714			5 No experience

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MCSPECAR	330	2	SAT2FMT		SC8a		N Satis w/ avail of care by specialists
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				78			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				2,722			1 Very satisfied
				9,932			2 Satisfied
				470			3 Dissatisfied
				119			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,571			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							
MCTELANS	332	2	SAT2FMT		SC8b		N Ease w/ get treat/presc answers on phone
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				74			-8 Don't know
				24			-7 Refused
				1,656			1 Very satisfied
				8,567			2 Satisfied
				764			3 Dissatisfied
				221			4 Very dissatisfied
				3,608			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							
MCDISSFY	334	2	DISAFFMT		SC9		N Things abt med services - dissatis with
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				23			-8 Don't know
				15			-7 Refused
				11,101			1 Not dissatisfied with anything
				3,775			91 Verbatim responses coded at VCMDIS1-4
VCMDIS1	336	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 1st reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				11,141			. Inapplicable
				924			1 Cost of health care
				34			2 Can't afford
				390			3 Services covered
				100			4 Inconvenient location
				462			5 Waiting time
				121			6 Time spent with doctor
				51			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				10			8 Unnecessary tests
				373			9 Doctor's attitude
				77			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				78			12 Attitude of other medical person
				221			13 Doctor's competence
				85			14 Competence of other medical person
				5			15 No preventative care
				20			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				35			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				12			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				8			19 HMO restrictions on services
				26			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				742			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				1			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCDIS2	338	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 2nd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,255			. Inapplicable
				83			1 Cost of health care
				34			2 Can't afford
				82			3 Services covered
				18			4 Inconvenient location
				68			5 Waiting time
				35			6 Time spent with doctor
				26			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				2			8 Unnecessary tests
				79			9 Doctor's attitude
				18			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				33			12 Attitude of other medical person
				41			13 Doctor's competence
				17			14 Competence of other medical person
				6			15 No preventative care
				7			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				15			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				9			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				5			19 HMO restrictions on services
				8			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				75			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 2nd reason is given

VCMCDIS3	340	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 3rd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,854			. Inapplicable
				6			1 Cost of health care
				0			2 Can't afford
				7			3 Services covered
				4			4 Inconvenient location
				5			5 Waiting time
				5			6 Time spent with doctor
				3			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				0			8 Unnecessary tests
				7			9 Doctor's attitude
				1			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				2			12 Attitude of other medical person
				5			13 Doctor's competence
				1			14 Competence of other medical person
				0			15 No preventative care
				3			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				0			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				2			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				2			19 HMO restrictions on services
				1			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				8			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 3rd reason is given

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VCMCDIS4	342	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 4th reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,912			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Cost of health care
				0			2 Can't afford
				0			3 Services covered
				0			4 Inconvenient location
				1			5 Waiting time
				0			6 Time spent with doctor
				0			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				0			8 Unnecessary tests
				1			9 Doctor's attitude
				0			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				0			12 Attitude of other medical person
				0			13 Doctor's competence
				1			14 Competence of other medical person
				0			15 No preventative care
				0			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				0			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				0			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				0			19 HMO restrictions on services
				0			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				0			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 4th reason is given

MCIMPROV	344	2	IMPROFMT		SC10		N Things abt med services need improvement
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				94			-8 Don't know
				15			-7 Refused
				11,269			1 No improvement
				3,536			91 Verbatim responses coded at VCMCIMP1-4

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCIMP1	346	2	VERIMFMT		SC10		N 1st aspect of med svcs to be improved
				11,380			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				620			1 Reduce cost
				17			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				510			3 Expansion of covered services
				34			4 More convenient location
				394			5 Reduce wait time
				161			6 More time spent with patients
				33			7 More thorough exam
				12			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				204			9 Improve attitude: physician
				26			10 Reduce paperwork
				40			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				69			12 Improve competence of physician
				43			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				61			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				10			15 Rarely use services
				116			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				29			17 Referral process at HMO
				13			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				1,143			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91

VCMCIMP2	348	2	VERIMFMT		SC10		N 2nd aspect of med svcs to be improved
				14,433			. Inapplicable
				48			1 Reduce cost
				7			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				64			3 Expansion of covered services
				3			4 More convenient location
				38			5 Reduce wait time
				50			6 More time spent with patients
				51			7 More thorough exam
				1			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				74			9 Improve attitude: physician
				6			10 Reduce paperwork
				39			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				14			12 Improve competence of physician
				10			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				10			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				18			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				8			17 Referral process at HMO
				9			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				33			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 2nd reason is given

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCIMP3	350	2	VERIFMT		SC10		N 3rd aspect of med svcs to be improved
				14,875			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Reduce cost
				0			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				2			3 Expansion of covered services
				0			4 More convenient location
				4			5 Reduce wait time
				6			6 More time spent with patients
				10			7 More thorough exam
				1			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				4			9 Improve attitude: physician
				1			10 Reduce paperwork
				4			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				0			12 Improve competence of physician
				2			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				0			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				1			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				0			17 Referral process at HMO
				0			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				5			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 3rd reason is given

VCMCIMP4	352	2	VERIFMT		SC10		N 4th aspect of med svcs to be improved
				14,914			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Reduce cost
				0			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				0			3 Expansion of covered services
				0			4 More convenient location
				1			5 Reduce wait time
				0			6 More time spent with patients
				0			7 More thorough exam
				0			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				1			9 Improve attitude: physician
				0			10 Reduce paperwork
				0			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				0			12 Improve competence of physician
				0			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				0			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				0			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				0			17 Referral process at HMO
				0			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				0			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 4th reason is given

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCWORRY	354	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10a		N Worry abt hlth more than others your age
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				275			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				2,910			1 True
				11,713			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCAVOID	356	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10b		N Do almost anything to avoid going to Dr
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				90			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				4,259			1 True
				10,547			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCSICK	358	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10c		N When sick - try keeping sickness to self
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				153			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				5,665			1 True
				9,078			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCDRSOON	360	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10d		N Usually go to Dr as soon as you feel bad
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				147			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				5,395			1 True
				9,352			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCDRNSEE	362	2	YES2FMT		SC11		N Hlth prob think Dr should see but didn't
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				33			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				1,288			1 Yes
				13,577			2 No
MCDRATMP	364	2	YES1FMT		SC12a		N Attempt to get Dr appoint abt condition
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				371			1 Yes
				916			2 No

Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1
 First available in 1998

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCRNSERS	366	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think not serious
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				509			1 Indicated
				778			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MRCRCOST	368	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think cost too much
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				314			1 Indicated
				973			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRCTIME	370	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - didn't have time
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				77			1 Indicated
				1,210			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRAPPT	372	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - can't get appoint
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				79			1 Indicated
				1,208			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRVAVAIL	374	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no Dr available
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				72			1 Indicated
				1,215			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRWAY	376	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no way to get to Dr
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				82			1 Indicated
				1,205			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRFAMILY	378	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - can't leave family
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				40			1 Indicated
				1,247			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCRDRCDM	380	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think can't do much
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				238			1 Indicated
				1,049			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRFEAR	382	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - feared what's wrong
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				139			1 Indicated
				1,148			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDRCHG	384	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - charge>Medicare pay
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				60			1 Indicated
				1,227			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRACCP	386	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - accept no Medicaid
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				39			1 Indicated
				1,248			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDOCTR	388	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - don't trust/afraid
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				32			1 Indicated
				1,255			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996			
MCRHOSP	380	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - fear be put in hosp
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				238			1 Indicated
				1,049			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCRNOCAR	392	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no feel like/care
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				21			1 Indicated
				1,266			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCRUNABL	394	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - needed house call
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				19			1 Indicated
				1,268			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCROTHR	396	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - other
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				90			1 Indicated
				1,197			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCRMAIN	398	2	NODOCFMT		SC14		N Main reason SP not see Dr abt condition?
				13,628			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				413			1 Problem not serious
				239			2 Costs too much
				39			3 Didn't have time
				48			4 Appointment not soon enough
				38			5 No doctor available
				45			6 No way to doctor
				25			7 Couldn't leave other family member
				164			8 SP thought Dr couldn't do much abt prob
				74			9 SP afraid of finding out what was wrong
				27			10 Dr charges more than Medicare pays
				25			11 SP couldn't find Dr to accept Medicaid
				30			12 Afraid of doctor
				5			13 Afraid of hospital
				20			14 Didn't care
				18			15 Needed house call
				76			91 Other specify
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
PMNOTGET	400	2	YES2FMT		SC15		N Were there presc medicines SP didn't get
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				23			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				670			1 Yes
				14,205			2 No
Note: First available in 1996							

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMNAME1	402	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 1 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMNAME2	427	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 2 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 2nd prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNAME3	452	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 3 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 3rd prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNAME4	477	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 4 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 4th prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNAME5	502	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 5 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 5th prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNOCOND	527	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - not for condition 14,246 . Inapplicable 1 -9 Not ascertained 2 -8 Don't know 107 1 Indicated 560 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMCOST	529	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - medicine too costly 14,246 . Inapplicable 1 -9 Not ascertained 2 -8 Don't know 368 1 Indicated 299 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMNOCOV	531	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - insurance didnt cover 14,246 . Inapplicable 1 -9 Not ascertained 2 -8 Don't know 161 1 Indicated 506 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMNOTIME	533	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - didn't have time
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				2			1 Indicated
				665			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOSOON	535	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - not get soon enough
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				4			1 Indicated
				663			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMPHARM	537	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - pharmacy inconvenient
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				3			1 Indicated
				664			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOWAY	539	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - no way to get it
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				11			1 Indicated
				656			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOHELP	541	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - won't help condition
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				35			1 Indicated
				632			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMREACT	543	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - feared reaction
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				94			1 Indicated
				573			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNONEED	545	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - got better - no need
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				42			1 Indicated
				625			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOLIKE	547	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - dislike taking meds
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				33			1 Indicated
				634			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMOTHER	549	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - other
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				61			1 Indicated
				606			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMOTHOS	551	30			SC17		C SP didn't get Rx - other (specify)
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMMAIN	581	2	PMMEDFMT		SC18		N Main reason didn't get medicine this yr
				14,246			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				76			1 Didn't think med was necessary for cond
				326			2 Thought it would cost too much
				78			3 Med not covered by insurand or Medicaid
				1			4 Didn't have time
				2			5 Could not get the medicine soon enough
				0			6 No pharmacy convenient
				5			7 Didn't have a way to get medicine
				18			8 Didn't think med would help condition
				78			9 Afraid of reactions/contraindications
				23			10 Felt better - didn't need medicine
				12			11 Dont like to take medicine
				48			91 Other

Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1
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PLACEPAR	583	2	YES2FMT		US1		N Does SP go particular place for med care
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				15			-7 Refused
				14,188			1 Yes
				698			2 No

PLACEKND	585	2	PLACEFMT		US2		N Kind of place SP usually go for med care
				728			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				11,298			1 Doctor's office or group practice
				1,407			2 Doctor's clinic
				595			3 HMO
				60			4 Neighborhood or family health center
				0			5 Freestanding surgery center
				18			6 Rural Health Clinic
				0			7 Company clinic
				29			8 Other clinic
				25			9 Walk-in urgent care center
				59			10 At home
				31			11 Hospital emergency room
				271			12 Hospital outpatient department
				356			13 Veterans' Administration facility
				0			14 Mental health center
				37			91 Other, specify

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

PLACEMCP	587	2	YES1FMT		US2A		N Is Dr/clinic associated w/ SP's MCP?
				12,363			. Inapplicable
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				14			-8 Don't know
				2,383			1 Yes
				152			2 No

Notes: Applies only if SP currently belongs to a managed care plan
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Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
USUALDOC	589	2	YES1FMT		US4		N Is there particular Dr SP usually sees
				12,085			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				2,416			1 Yes
				410			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if PLACEKND = 1, 10, or .

D_USSPCW	591	2	SPCLFMT		US6		N MD spec, incl in home/hosp--usually seen
				1,144			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				332			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				13			1 Allergy & Immunology
				0			2 Anesthesiology
				361			3 Cardiology (heart)
				5			5 Dermatology (skin)
				4			6 Emergency Room physician
				92			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				2,817			8 Family practice
				50			9 Gastroenterology
				5,687			10 General practice
				42			11 General surgery
				89			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				34			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				18			14 Hematology (blood)
				4			15 Hospital residence
				3,442			16 Internal medicine
				73			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				68			18 Neurology
				5			19 Nuclear Medicine
				61			20 Oncology
				8			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				23			22 Orthopaedics
				173			24 Osteopathy
				7			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				3			26 Pathology
				4			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				0			28 Plastic surgery
				0			29 Proctology
				62			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				74			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				0			32 Radiology
				41			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				1			34 Thoracic Surgery
				27			35 Urology
				0			36 Audiologist
				0			37 Chiropractor
				0			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				0			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				147			91 Other medical specialty

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1 and USUALDOC does not equal 1

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USHOUSCL 593 2 YES1FMT US7 N Does Dr make house calls?
787 . Inapplicable
1 -9 Not ascertained
1,073 -8 Don't know
3 -7 Refused
455 1 Yes
12,597 2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEKND does not equal 10 or .

GETUSHOW 595 2 GODRFMT US8 N How does SP usually get to Dr's office?
787 . Inapplicable
1 -9 Not ascertained
2 -8 Don't know
1 -7 Refused
355 1 Walking
8,950 2 Driving
4,009 3 Being driven
118 4 Ambulance or other special vehicle
106 5 Taxi
484 6 Other public transportation
0 7 Doctor comes to home
18 8 Senior citizen van/bus
85 91 Other, specify

Note: Applies only if PLACEKND does not equal 10 or .

D_GETUS 597 4 SECFMT US9 N Mins - usually take to get Dr's office
791 . Inapplicable
35 -8 Don't know
1 -7 Refused
7,962 0-15 Up to 15 minutes
4,528 15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
895 30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
362 45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
47 60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
115 75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
14 90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
68 105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
98 2 or more hrs

Notes: Inapplicable if GETUSHOW < 0 or GETUSHOW = 7
First available in 1992

ACCOMPUS 601 2 YES1FMT US10 N Does someone accompany SP to Dr's office
791 . Inapplicable
4 -8 Don't know
1 -7 Refused
6,141 1 Yes
7,979 2 No

Note: Inapplicable if GETUSHOW < 0 or GETUSHOW = 7

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_ACCREL	603	2	RELFMT			US11	N Who usually goes w/ SP to Dr's office?
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				2,938			2 Spouse
				428			3 Son
				1,263			4 Daughter
				48			5 Brother
				175			6 Sister
				50			7 Father
				252			8 Mother
				20			9 Son-in-law
				95			10 Daughter-in-law
				27			11 Grandson
				78			12 Granddaughter
				20			13 Nephew
				79			14 Niece
				63			50 Partner/roommate
				312			51 Friend/neighbor
				4			52 Boarder
				43			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				5			54 Legal/financial officer
				5			55 Guardian
				65			91 Other relative
				169			92 Other non-relative

Note: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1

ACCWRITE	605	2	IND1FMT			US11aa	N Accompanies SP to take notes
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				2,730			1 Indicated
				3,397			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCEXPDR	607	2	IND1FMT			US11aa	N Accompanies SP to explain things to Dr.
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				2,729			1 Indicated
				3,398			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCEXPSP	609	2	IND1FMT			US11aa	N Accompanies SP to explain Dr's instr
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				1,865			1 Indicated
				4,262			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
ACCASKQS	611	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to ask questions
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				2,540			1 Indicated
				3,587			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002			
ACCTTRANS	613	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to act as a translator
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				153			1 Indicated
				5,974			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002			
ACCAPPTS	615	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to schedule appointments
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				1,144			1 Indicated
				4,983			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002			
ACCMORAL	617	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP for moral support
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				1,658			1 Indicated
				4,469			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002			
ACCDRIVE	619	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to provide transportation
				8,775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				2,767			1 Indicated
				3,360			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002			

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ACCHELP 621 2 IND1FMT US11aa N Accompanies SP to assist w/ ADLs
 8,775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 13 -8 Don't know
 48 1 Indicated
 6,079 2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCOTHER 623 2 IND1FMT US11aa N Accompanies SP for other reason
 8,775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 13 -8 Don't know
 25 1 Indicated
 6,102 2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

USMCHEK 625 2 CHK1FMT US12 N Does Medicare send check to SP or to Dr?
 4,063 . Inapplicable
 11 -9 Not ascertained
 114 -8 Don't know
 3 -7 Refused
 381 1 To SP
 10,173 2 To doctor
 171 3 No payment from Medicare

Note: Inapp if PLACEKND=1 or 3; PLACEPAR=1 & PLACEKND=3 or 13; or PLACEMCP=1

PAIDMORE 627 2 YES1FMT US13 N Ever pay Dr more than Medicare approves
 4,234 . Inapplicable
 11 -9 Not ascertained
 329 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 690 1 Yes
 9,651 2 No

Note: Inapplicable if USMCHEK = 3 or .

USFINDMC 629 2 YES1FMT US14 N Try find Dr accept Medicare approved amt
 14,226 . Inapplicable
 3 -8 Don't know
 39 1 Yes
 648 2 No

Note: Applies only if PAIDMORE = 1

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
USHOWLNG	631	2	DOCFMT		US15		N How long seeing Dr/going service place
				728			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				94			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,285			1 Less than 1 year
				2,757			2 1 year to < 3 years
				2,370			3 3 years to < 5 years
				2,891			4 5 years to < 10 years
				4,785			5 10 years or more
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1			
USONEYY	633	2	LESSFMT		US16		N Dr seen less than a year/a year or more
				14,822			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				4			1 Less than 1 year
				84			2 1 year or more
				Note: Applies only if USHOWLING = -8			
PREVMEDC	635	2	YES1FMT		US17		N Before usual Dr had SP seen other Dr?
				13,627			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,093			1 Yes
				195			2 No
				Note: Applies only if USHOWLING = 1 or USONEYY = 1			
PREVSTIL	637	2	YES1FMT		US18		N Still see other Dr or go to other place?
				13,823			. Inapplicable
				106			1 Yes
				987			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PREVMEDC = 1			
PREVNOGO	639	2	WHYFMT		US19		N Why SP no see previous Dr/place anymore
				13,929			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				123			1 Previous doctor retired
				20			2 Previous doctor died
				183			3 Previous doctor moved
				144			4 SP moved
				57			5 Prev doctor/provider too far away
				11			6 Prev Dr/provider charge > Mcare paid
				198			7 Dissatisfied w/prev Dr/provider
				27			8 SP joined HMO
				28			9 SP changed insurance company
				59			10 Doctor changed practice
				134			91 Other
				Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 2			

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PREVSAC1 641 2 PREVFMT US20 N 1st reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
 14,718 . Inapplicable
 14 1 Inaccurate diagnosis
 28 2 Ineffective treatment
 83 3 Att/person prob
 13 4 Too long to wait
 1 5 Cost
 0 6 Distance/conven
 59 91 Other
 0 95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7

PREVSAC2 643 2 PREVFMT US20 N 2nd reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
 14,887 . Inapplicable
 7 1 Inaccurate diagnosis
 11 2 Ineffective treatment
 8 3 Att/person prob
 2 4 Too long to wait
 0 5 Cost
 0 6 Distance/conven
 1 91 Other
 0 95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7 and 2nd reason was given

PREVSAC3 645 2 PREVFMT US20 N 3rd reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
 14,911 . Inapplicable
 0 1 Inaccurate diagnosis
 3 2 Ineffective treatment
 1 3 Att/person prob
 0 4 Too long to wait
 1 5 Cost
 0 6 Distance/conven
 0 91 Other
 0 95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7 and 3rd reason was given

PREVREAS 647 2 PREVFMT US21 N Main reason go to usual Dr over other Dr
 13,929 . Inapplicable
 2 -8 Don't know
 258 1 Inaccurate diagnosis
 295 2 Ineffective treatment
 17 3 Att/person prob
 159 4 Too long to wait
 130 5 Cost
 0 6 Distance/conven
 126 91 Other
 0 95 Unable to code

Note: Inapplicable if PREVNOGO = .

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
REFERDOC	649	2	YES1FMT		US22		N Refer to usual Dr by other Dr/med person
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				50			1 Yes
				55			2 No
Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 1 or -8							
RECOMDOC	651	2	YES1FMT		US23		N Did family/friends recommend Dr/place?
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				34			1 Yes
				71			2 No
Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 1 or -8							
USCHGMOR	653	2	YES1FMT		US24		N Know Dr may charge > Medicare approves
				14,144			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				28			-8 Don't know
				130			1 Yes
				612			2 No
Note: Inapp: PREVMEDC=1; PREVMEDC=1& PLACEPAR=1&PLACEKND=3/13; or PLACEMCP=1							
USPAPWRK	655	2	DRINFMT		US25		N Does Dr take care of insur paper work?
				7,607			. Inapplicable
				11			-9 Not ascertained
				28			-8 Don't know
				7,095			1 Yes
				128			2 No
				4			3 Sometimes
				43			4 Claims not filed for this doctor
Note: Applies if PLACEKND=3, 13 & PREVREAS=1 or REFERDOC=1 & SP has priv ins							
USHICHEK	657	2	DRCKFMT		US26		N Does insurance firm send check to Dr/SP
				7,684			. Inapplicable
				24			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				6,993			1 Usual doctor or provider
				149			2 SP
				65			3 Usual doctor or provider and SP
Note: Applies if USPAPWRK = 1, 2, or 3							

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USCKEVRY 659 2 AGREE US27 N Dr checks everything when examining SP
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 115 -8 Don't know
 8 -7 Refused
 3,909 1 Strongly agree
 9,192 2 Agree
 823 3 Disagree
 69 4 Strongly Disagree
 71 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USCOMPET 661 2 AGREE US28 N Your Dr is competent and well-trained
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 248 -8 Don't know
 9 -7 Refused
 4,294 1 Strongly agree
 9,424 2 Agree
 158 3 Disagree
 13 4 Strongly Disagree
 41 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USUNHIST 663 2 AGREE US29 N Dr has good understanding of med history
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 238 -8 Don't know
 7 -7 Refused
 3,968 1 Strongly agree
 9,359 2 Agree
 499 3 Disagree
 47 4 Strongly Disagree
 69 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USUNWRNG 665 2 AGREE US30 N Dr complete understand what wrong w/ SP
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 273 -8 Don't know
 8 -7 Refused
 3,525 1 Strongly agree
 9,435 2 Agree
 791 3 Disagree
 60 4 Strongly Disagree
 95 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

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USHURRY 667 2 AGREE US31 N Dr at serv place seems to be in a hurry
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 74 -8 Don't know
 7 -7 Refused
 328 1 Strongly agree
 1,932 2 Agree
 9,647 3 Disagree
 2,135 4 Strongly Disagree
 64 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USEXPPRB 669 2 AGREE US32 N Dr doesn't explain med problems to SP
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 95 -8 Don't know
 9 -7 Refused
 130 1 Strongly agree
 1,175 2 Agree
 10,528 3 Disagree
 2,132 4 Strongly Disagree
 118 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USDISCUS 671 2 AGREE US33 N Hlth problem should be discuss but isn't
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 115 -8 Don't know
 9 -7 Refused
 87 1 Strongly agree
 1,140 2 Agree
 10,783 3 Disagree
 1,941 4 Strongly Disagree
 112 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USFAVOR 673 2 AGREE US34 N Dr act as if do a favor by talking to SP
 728 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 10 -7 Refused
 84 1 Strongly agree
 749 2 Agree
 10,078 3 Disagree
 3,109 4 Strongly Disagree
 61 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

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USTELALL	675	2	AGREE	US35		N Dr tell all SP wants know abt med treat
				728		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				109		-8 Don't know
				10		-7 Refused
				2,836		1 Strongly agree
				10,068		2 Agree
				988		3 Disagree
				97		4 Strongly Disagree
				79		5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USANSQUX	677	2	AGREE	US36		N Servicing Dr answers all SP questions
				728		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				67		-8 Don't know
				9		-7 Refused
				3,476		1 Strongly agree
				10,049		2 Agree
				467		3 Disagree
				48		4 Strongly Disagree
				71		5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USCONFID	679	2	AGREE	US37		N SP has great confidence in Dr
				728		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				209		-8 Don't know
				10		-7 Refused
				3,994		1 Strongly agree
				9,117		2 Agree
				698		3 Disagree
				91		4 Strongly Disagree
				68		5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USDEPEND	681	2	AGREE	US38		N Depend on Dr feel better phys & emotion
				728		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				235		-8 Don't know
				10		-7 Refused
				2,675		1 Strongly agree
				8,959		2 Agree
				1,982		3 Disagree
				193		4 Strongly Disagree
				133		5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

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NUSNOTSK	683	2	YES1FMT	US39			N No source of care - seldom or never sick
				14,218			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				449			1 Yes
				243			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSMOVIN	685	2	YES1FMT	US40			N No source of care - recent move to area
				14,218			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				71			1 Yes
				624			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSAVAIL	687	2	YES1FMT	US41			N No source of care - Amer Dr unavailable
				14,218			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				116			1 Yes
				575			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
USWHYNAV	689	2	WHYFMT	US42			N Why is SP's usual Dr no longer available
				14,800			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				35			1 Previous doctor retired
				19			2 Previous doctor died
				34			3 Previous doctor moved
				5			4 SP moved
				3			5 Prev doctor/provider too far away
				0			6 Prev Dr/provider charge > Mcare paid
				0			7 Dissatisfied w/prev Dr/provider
				0			8 SP joined HMO
				0			9 SP changed insurance company
				0			10 Doctor changed practice
				19			91 Other
				Note: Applies only if NUSAVAIL = 1			
NUSDIFFP	691	2	YES1FMT	US43			N No source of care - like different place
				14,218			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				63			1 Yes
				628			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			

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NUSTOOFR 693 2 YES1FMT US44 N No source of care - places too far away
 14,218 . Inapplicable
 5 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 56 1 Yes
 636 2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2

NUSTOOEX 695 2 YES1FMT US45 N No source of care - cost too expensive
 14,218 . Inapplicable
 8 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 110 1 Yes
 579 2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2

MDVCHVC1 697 2 MDVCFMT AC28b N 1st reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
 14,686 . Inapplicable
 40 1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
 32 2 Dr was out of the office that day
 51 3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
 10 4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
 24 5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
 13 6 Dr moved to another location
 2 7 Dr retired or died
 13 8 SP needed a specialist or referral
 11 9 Dr was not in insurance plan
 34 91 Other specified
 0 95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2
 First available in 1999

MDVCHVC2 699 2 MDVCFMT AC28b N 2nd reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
 14,915 . Inapplicable
 0 1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
 0 2 Dr was out of the office that day
 1 3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
 0 4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
 0 5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
 0 6 Dr moved to another location
 0 7 Dr retired or died
 0 8 SP needed a specialist or referral
 0 9 Dr was not in insurance plan
 0 91 Other specified
 0 95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2 and 2nd reason was given
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MDVCHVC3	701	2	MDVCFMT		AC28b		N 3rd reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
				14,916			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
				0			2 Dr was out of the office that day
				0			3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
				0			4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
				0			5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
				0			6 Dr moved to another location
				0			7 Dr retired or died
				0			8 SP needed a specialist or referral
				0			9 Dr was not in insurance plan
				0			91 Other specified
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2 and 3rd reason was given
First available in 1999