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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
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BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				14,701			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
ERVISIT	12	2	YES1FMT	AC1			N Since refer date did SP go ER for care?
				9,942			. Inapplicable
				23			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,196			1 Yes
				3,539			2 No

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

D_ERTIME	14	4	MINFMT	AC6a			N Minutes wait at ER
				10,673			. Inapplicable
				20			-9 Not ascertained
				386			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				2,894			0-60 up to 1 hour
				330			61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				138			121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				91			181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				48			241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				56			301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				16			361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				18			421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				27			More than 8 hrs

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ERADMT	18	2	YES1FMT	AC7			N Was SP admitted to hospital from ER?
				13,505			. Inapplicable
				1			-7 Refused
				517			1 Yes
				678			2 No

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

OPDVISIT	20	2	YES1FMT	AC8			N Since reference date did SP go to OPD?
				9,942			. Inapplicable
				18			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,468			1 Yes
				3,272			2 No

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

OPDMCOND	22	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - medical condition
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained

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				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,451			1 Indicated
				2,964			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDTESTS	24	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - tests
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				3,101			1 Indicated
				2,314			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDFOLUP	26	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - follow-up
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				498			1 Indicated
				4,917			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDCHKUP	28	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - checkup
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				447			1 Indicated
				4,968			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDRFRL	30	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - referral
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				15			1 Indicated
				5,400			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDSURGY	32	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - surgery
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				476			1 Indicated
				4,939			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDPSHOT	34	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - preventative shot

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				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				34			1 Indicated
				5,381			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDTSHOT	36	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - treatment shot
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				88			1 Indicated
				5,327			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDPMED	38	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - medication
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				307			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				74			1 Indicated
				5,341			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDOTHER	40	2	IND1FMT		AC9		N Reason for OPD visit - other
				8,976			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				306			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				62			1 Indicated
				5,354			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDSCOND	42	2	YES1FMT		AC10		N Was visit to OPD for specific condition?
				13,960			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				525			1 Yes
				208			2 No
Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.							
OPDAPPT	44	2	APPTFMT		AC12		N Was OPD visit by appointment or walk-in
				8,979			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				301			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,320			1 Appointment
				1,099			2 Walked in
Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or contuing SP had OPD visit since last interview							
OPDDRTEL	46	2	TOLDFMT		AC13		N Did someone in OPD tell SP to come back?

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				10,381			. Inapplicable
				67			-8 Don't know
				2,791			1 Told to come back during a prior visit
				1,462			2 Called for an appointment
Note: Applies only if OPDAPPT = 1							
D_OPAPPT	48	4	DAYFMT	AC14			N Days - SP waited for OPD appointment
				13,239			. Inapplicable
				104			-8 Don't know
				172			0 Didn't have wait
				337			1-3 1 to 3 days
				143			4-6 4 to 6 days
				300			7-9 7 to 9 days
				20			10-12 10 to 12 days
				186			13-15 13 to 15 days
				2			16-18 16 to 18 days
				63			19-21 19 to 21 days
				135			over 3 weeks
Notes: Applies only if OPDDRTEL = 2 First available in 1992							
D_OPTIME	52	4	MINFMT	AC16a			N Minutes wait at OP
				8,979			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				576			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,829			0-60 up to 1 hour
				198			61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				67			121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				24			181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				7			241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				6			301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				3			361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				3			421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				7			More than 8 hrs
Notes: Inapplicable if OPDAPPT = . First available in 2005							
NHRESEVR	56	2	YES1FMT	AC17			N Ever been resident/patient in nurs home
				9,942			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				236			1 Yes
				4,522			2 No
Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels							
NHLRESYY	58	4	YRFMT	AC18			N Yr last resident/patient in nursing home
				14,465			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				231			Four-digit year
Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1							
NHLRESMM	62	2	MONTHFMT	AC18			N Mo last resident/patient in nursing home
				14,465			. Inapplicable
				51			-8 Don't know

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				0			-5 Never ask again
				15			1 January
				12			2 February
				13			3 March
				10			4 April
				19			5 May
				13			6 June
				17			7 July
				23			8 August
				24			9 September
				17			10 October
				12			11 November
				10			12 December

Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1

MDVISIT	64	2	YES1FMT		AC19		N Since reference date has SP seen med Dr
				9,942			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,111			1 Yes
				639			2 No

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

MDSFCLTY	66	2	SPCLFMT		AC20		N MD spec., excl in home/hosp--most recent
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				342			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				50			1 Allergy & Immunology
				22			2 Anesthesiology
				812			3 Cardiology (heart)
				360			5 Dermatology (skin)
				0			6 Emergency Room physician
				116			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				1,821			8 Family practice
				187			9 Gastroenterology
				3,879			10 General practice
				174			11 General surgery
				78			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				199			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				51			14 Hematology (blood)
				2			15 Hospital residence
				2,153			16 Internal medicine
				137			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				272			18 Neurology
				3			19 Nuclear Medicine
				241			20 Oncology
				705			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				409			22 Orthopaedics
				121			24 Osteopathy
				135			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				24			26 Pathology
				13			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				24			28 Plastic surgery
				11			29 Proctology
				245			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				142			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				15			32 Radiology
				126			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				4			34 Thoracic Surgery
				313			35 Urology

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0	36	Audiologist
0	37	Chiropractor
0	38	Dentist
0	39	Optometrist
0	40	Physical therapist
0	41	Psychologist
212	91	Other medical specialty

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MDMCOND	68	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - med condition named
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				111			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				7,095			1 Indicated
				6,190			2 Not indicated

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

MDTESTS	70	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - tests
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				1,767			1 Indicated
				11,516			2 Not indicated

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

MDFOLUP	72	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - follow-up
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				2,998			1 Indicated
				10,285			2 Not indicated

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

MDCHKUP	74	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - checkup
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				5,979			1 Indicated
				7,304			2 Not indicated

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

MDRFRL	76	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - referral
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				132			1 Indicated
				13,151			2 Not indicated

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

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MDSURGY	78	2	IND1FMT		AC21		N Reason Dr was seen - surgery
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				252			1 Indicated
				13,031			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDPSHOT	80	2	IND1FMT		AC21		N Reason Dr was seen - preventative shot
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				109			1 Indicated
				13,174			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDTSHOT	82	2	IND1FMT		AC21		N Reason Dr was seen - treatment shot
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				153			1 Indicated
				13,130			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDPMED	84	2	IND1FMT		AC21		N Reason Dr was seen - medication
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				619			1 Indicated
				12,664			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDOTHER	86	2	IND1FMT		AC21		N Reason Dr was seen - other
				1,298			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				113			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				85			1 Indicated
				13,198			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDSCOND	88	2	YES1FMT		AC22		N Was Dr's visit for a specific condition?
				12,713			. Inapplicable
				13			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,005			1 Yes
				969			2 No

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MDAPPT	90	2	APPTFMT		AC24		N Was visit to Dr - appointment/walk - in
				1,301			. Inapplicable
				108			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				12,765			1 Appointment
				522			2 Walked in

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

MDDRTEL	92	2	TOLDFMT		AC25		N Someone in Dr office tell SP come back?
				1,936			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				8,444			1 Told to come back during a prior visit
				4,253			2 Called for an appointment

Note: Applies only if MDAPPT = 1

D_MDAPPT	94	4	DAYFMT		AC26		N Days - SP waited for Dr's appointment
				10,448			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				131			-8 Don't know
				645			0 Didn't have wait
				1,438			1-3 1 to 3 days
				336			4-6 4 to 6 days
				750			7-9 7 to 9 days
				53			10-12 10 to 12 days
				437			13-15 13 to 15 days
				3			16-18 16 to 18 days
				145			19-21 19 to 21 days
				314			over 3 weeks

Notes: Applies only if MDDRTEL = 2
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D_MDTIME	98	4	MINFMT		AC28a		N Minutes wait at MP
				1,301			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				466			-8 Don't know
				6			-7 Refused
				12,226			0-60 up to 1 hour
				493			61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				128			121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				40			181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				14			241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				6			301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				2			361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				3			421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				13			More than 8 hrs

Notes: Inapplicable if MDAPPT = .
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HCTROUBL	102	2	YES2FMT		AC29		N Has SP had troub get needed health care?
				10			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				633			1 Yes

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				14,039			2 No
HCTMONEY	104	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: not enough money
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				195			1 Indicated
				436			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002							
HCTHIGH	106	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: cost too high
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				188			1 Indicated
				443			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002							
HCTNOCOV	108	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: svc/supp not covered
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				141			1 Indicated
				490			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002							
HCTTRANS	110	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: need transportation
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				69			1 Indicated
				562			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002							
HCTHOMEH	112	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: home death care
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				22			1 Indicated
				609			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002							
HCTNTREA	114	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: Dr won't treat
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				54			1 Indicated
				577			2 Not indicated

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HCTWAIT	116	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: Dr too busy
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				60			1 Indicated
				571			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
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HCTACPMC	118	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: Dr wont accept Mcare
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				47			1 Indicated
				584			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
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HCTELIG	120	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: inelig for pub cov
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				40			1 Indicated
				591			2 Not indicated

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HCTDELAY	122	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: delay bc SP on Mcare
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				44			1 Indicated
				587			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
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HCTSPECL	124	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: specialist referral
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				19			1 Indicated
				612			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
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HCTHMORF	126	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: HMO referral dficlt
				14,068			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused

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					602		2 Not indicated
					Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002		
HCTHMOMD	128	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: HMO Drs not good
					14,068		. Inapplicable
					1		-8 Don't know
					1		-7 Refused
					48		1 Indicated
					583		2 Not indicated
					Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002		
HCTHMOCV	130	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: HMO would'nt cover
					14,068		. Inapplicable
					1		-8 Don't know
					1		-7 Refused
					18		1 Indicated
					613		2 Not indicated
					Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002		
HCTOTHER	132	2	IND1FMT		AC30a		N Troub getting care: Other
					14,068		. Inapplicable
					1		-8 Don't know
					1		-7 Refused
					64		1 Indicated
					567		2 Not indicated
					Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002		
CGETAPPT	134	2	YES1FMT		AC30b		N SP told by Dr office couldn't sched appt
					14,153		. Inapplicable
					4		-8 Don't know
					84		1 Yes
					460		2 No
					Notes: Applies only if HCTACPMC /= 1 & HCTDELAY /= 1 First available in 2002		
CGETINSR	136	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Dr doesn't accept insurance plan
					14,617		. Inapplicable
					11		1 Indicated
					73		2 Not indicated
					Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002		
CGETFULL	138	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N No appointments were open
					14,617		. Inapplicable
					21		1 Indicated
					63		2 Not indicated

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Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNNEW	140	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new patients
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				6			1 Indicated
				78			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNNMP	142	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new Medicare patients
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				5			1 Indicated
				79			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETHOUR	144	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr's office hours conflicted w/ SP sched
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				2			1 Indicated
				82			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETCAID	146	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept Medicaid
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				5			1 Indicated
				79			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNAMC	148	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept any Medicare patients
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				4			1 Indicated
				80			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNAMA	150	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept Medicare assignment
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				4			1 Indicated
				80			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETAPRV	152	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr felt other provider would be better
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				9			1 Indicated
				75			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1							

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First available in 2002							
CGETOTHR	154	2	IND1FMT		AC30c		N Other reason for not scheduling Dr appt
				14,617			. Inapplicable
				32			1 Indicated
				52			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1							
First available in 2002							
OFFEXPLN	156	2	YES1FMT		AC30d		N Dr's office explained difficulty w/Mcare
				14,606			. Inapplicable
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				11			-8 Don't know
				23			1 Yes
				57			2 No
Notes: Applies only if CGETNNMP = 1 or CGETNAMC = 1							
First available in 2002							
OFFEXVB1	158	45			AC30e		C Why Mcare not accepted -- verbatim #1
Notes: Applies only if OFFEXPLN = 1							
First available in 2002							
OFFEXVB2	203	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	248	2	WHYNOMED		AC30e		N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #1
				14,678			. Inapplicable
				5			1 Medicare doesn't pay enough
				2			2 Doctor has too many patients
				0			3 Medicare requires too much paperwork
				3			4 Medicare/Medicaid patients not accepted
				4			5 Services are not covered
				0			6 Cost too high for SP
				9			91 Other reason
				0			95 Unable to code
Notes: Applies if OFFEXPLN = 1							
First available in 2003							
OFFEXVC2	250	2	WHYNOMED		AC30e		N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #2
				14,699			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Medicare doesn't pay enough
				0			2 Doctor has too many patients
				0			3 Medicare requires too much paperwork
				1			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 is more than one reason							
First available in 2003							
OFFEXVC3	252	2	WHYNOMED		AC30e		N Why Dr's office doesn't accept Mcare #3

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				14,701			. 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

ABNFORM	254	2	YES1FMT		AC30f		N Received an ABN form in the last year
				1,613			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				277			-8 Don't know
				12			-7 Refused
				1,097			1 Yes
				11,701			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNDOCT	256	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; physician services
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				372			1 Yes
				656			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNHHOME	258	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; home health services
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4			1 Yes
				1,024			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNHOSPC	260	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; hospice services
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2			1 Yes
				1,026			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNTHERA	262	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; therapy services
				13,604			. Inapplicable

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1							-9 Not ascertained
67							-8 Don't know
1							-7 Refused
21							1 Yes
1,007							2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNIPCAR	264	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; inpatient hospital care
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				41			1 Yes
				987			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNOPCAR	266	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; outpatient hospital care
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				105			1 Yes
				923			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNNURSE	268	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; nursing care
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1			1 Yes
				1,027			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNTESTS	270	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; laboratory tests
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				515			1 Yes
				513			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent
First available in 2005

ABNEQUIP	272	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; durable medical equipment
				13,604			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				14			1 Yes

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				1,014		2	No
Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent First available in 2005							
ABNVACC	274	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; vaccination
				13,604		.	Inapplicable
				1		-9	Not ascertained
				67		-8	Don't know
				1		-7	Refused
				8		1	Yes
				1,020		2	No
Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent First available in 2005							
ABNOTHER	276	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N ABN; other item or srvc
				13,604		.	Inapplicable
				1		-9	Not ascertained
				67		-8	Don't know
				1		-7	Refused
				30		1	Yes
				998		2	No
Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent First available in 2005							
ABNOTHOS	278	30			AC30g		C ABN; other item or srvc (specify)
Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent First available in 2005							
ABNREAD	308	2	YES1FMT		AC30g		N Did you read the ABN form
				13,604		.	Inapplicable
				1		-9	Not ascertained
				7		-8	Don't know
				813		1	Yes
				276		2	No
Notes: Inapplicable if proxy is respondent First available in 2005							
ABNUNDER	310	2	LOOKFMT		AC30h		N Trouble understanding ABN form
				13,888		.	Inapplicable
				5		-8	Don't know
				686		1	No trouble
				90		2	A little trouble
				32		3	A lot of trouble
Notes: Inapplicable if ABNREAD /= 1 First available in 2005							
ABNSIGN	312	2	YES1FMT		AC30i		N Did you sign the ABNform
				13,604		.	Inapplicable
				1		-9	Not ascertained
				13		-8	Don't know
				1		-7	Refused
				1,038		1	Yes
				44		2	No

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							Notes: Inapplicable if ABNFORM = . First available in 2005
ABNVB1	314	30			AC30j		C Reason not sign form, verbatim #1
							Notes: Applies if ABNSIGN = 2 First available in 2005
ABNVB2	344	30			AC30j		C Reason not sign form, verbatim #2
							Notes: Applies if ABNSIGN = 2 and there is more than one reason First available in 2005
ABNVB3	374	30			AC30j		C Reason not sign form, verbatim #3
							Notes: Applies if ABNSIGN = 2 and there are more than two reasons First available in 2005
ABNITEM	404	2	YES1FMT		AC30k		N Received servc items on ABN form
							13,604 1 21 2 985 88 . Inapplicable -9 Not ascertained -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Yes 2 No
							Notes: Inapplicable if ABNFORM = . First available in 2005
ABNDENY	406	2	YES1FMT		AC30l		N Medicare deny the ABN service items
							13,716 180 226 579 . Inapplicable -8 Don't know 1 Yes 2 No
							Notes: Inapplicable if ABNITEM /= 1 First available in 2005
HCDELAY	408	2	YES2FMT		AC31		N Last year did SP delay care due to cost?
							13 16 1,093 13,579 -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Yes 2 No
MCQUALTY	410	2	SAT2FMT		SC1		N Satis w/ qual of med care rec'd last yr
							32 25 4,838 8,869 432 85 420 -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Very satisfied 2 Satisfied 3 Dissatisfied 4 Very dissatisfied 5 No experience
MCAVAIL	412	2	SAT2FMT		SC2		N Satis w/ avail med care night & weekends
							109 25 1,793 6,439 -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Very satisfied 2 Satisfied

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				495			3 Dissatisfied
				156			4 Very dissatisfied
				5,684			5 No experience
MCEASE	414	2	SAT2FMT		SC3		N Ease of get to Dr from where SP lives
				54			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				3,343			1 Very satisfied
				10,112			2 Satisfied
				716			3 Dissatisfied
				156			4 Very dissatisfied
				295			5 No experience
MCCOSTS	416	2	SAT2FMT		SC4		N Satis w/ OOP costs for medical services
				75			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				2,840			1 Very satisfied
				9,068			2 Satisfied
				1,724			3 Dissatisfied
				562			4 Very dissatisfied
				407			5 No experience
MCINFO	418	2	SAT2FMT		SC5		N Satis w/ info abt what was wrong w/ you
				66			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				3,116			1 Very satisfied
				10,311			2 Satisfied
				639			3 Dissatisfied
				111			4 Very dissatisfied
				433			5 No experience
MCFOLUP	420	2	SAT2FMT		SC6		N Satis w/ folowup care after inital treat
				56			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				3,206			1 Very satisfied
				9,439			2 Satisfied
				410			3 Dissatisfied
				82			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,482			5 No experience
MCCONCRN	422	2	SAT2FMT		SC7		N Satis w/ Dr's concern for overall health
				119			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				3,488			1 Very satisfied
				9,842			2 Satisfied
				623			3 Dissatisfied
				98			4 Very dissatisfied
				505			5 No experience
MCSAMLOC	424	2	SAT2FMT		SC8		N Satis w/ get med care done same location
				80			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				2,521			1 Very satisfied
				9,239			2 Satisfied
				664			3 Dissatisfied
				133			4 Very dissatisfied
				2,038			5 No experience

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MCSPECAR	426	2	SAT2FMT		SC8a		N Satis w/ avail of care by specialists
				80			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				3,229			1 Very satisfied
				9,440			2 Satisfied
				423			3 Dissatisfied
				109			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,395			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							
MCTELANS	428	2	SAT2FMT		SC8b		N Ease w/ get treat/presc answers on phone
				100			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				2,006			1 Very satisfied
				8,185			2 Satisfied
				828			3 Dissatisfied
				278			4 Very dissatisfied
				3,279			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							
MCDISSFY	430	2	DISAFFMT		SC9		N Things abt med services - dissatis with
				23			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				10,723			1 Not dissatisfied with anything
				3,934			91 Verbatim responses coded at VCMDIS1-4
VCMCDIS1	432	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 1st reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				10,767			. Inapplicable
				1,048			1 Cost of health care
				42			2 Can't afford
				446			3 Services covered
				131			4 Inconvenient location
				389			5 Waiting time
				122			6 Time spent with doctor
				105			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				16			8 Unnecessary tests
				241			9 Doctor's attitude
				91			10 Paperwork
				10			11 Rarely use services
				60			12 Attitude of other medical person
				201			13 Doctor's competence
				69			14 Competence of other medical person
				27			15 No preventative care
				25			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				38			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				64			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				21			19 HMO restrictions on services
				36			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				0			21 Medicare Rx DRUG/PDP/PART D
				0			22 Prescription drug coverage
				752			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code
Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91							
VCMCDIS2	434	2	VERBAFMT		SC9		N 2nd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs

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				13,673			. Inapplicable
				83			1 Cost of health care
				84			2 Can't afford
				149			3 Services covered
				28			4 Inconvenient location
				55			5 Waiting time
				58			6 Time spent with doctor
				43			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				4			8 Unnecessary tests
				110			9 Doctor's attitude
				22			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				32			12 Attitude of other medical person
				119			13 Doctor's competence
				31			14 Competence of other medical person
				20			15 No preventative care
				8			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				14			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				28			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				14			19 HMO restrictions on services
				13			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				0			21 Medicare Rx DRUG/PDP/PART D
				0			22 Prescription drug coverage
				113			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	436	2	VERBAFMT	SC9	N 3rd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,584	. Inapplicable
				12	1 Cost of health care
				5	2 Can't afford
				13	3 Services covered
				2	4 Inconvenient location
				5	5 Waiting time
				7	6 Time spent with doctor
				6	7 Thoroughness of doctor
				1	8 Unnecessary tests
				6	9 Doctor's attitude
				3	10 Paperwork
				0	11 Rarely use services
				6	12 Attitude of other medical person
				24	13 Doctor's competence
				4	14 Competence of other medical person
				3	15 No preventative care
				1	16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				2	17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				1	18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				2	19 HMO restrictions on services
				2	20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				0	21 Medicare Rx DRUG/PDP/PART D
				0	22 Prescription drug coverage
				12	91 Other
				0	92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0	95 Unable to code

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

VCMCDIS4	438	2	VERBAFMT	SC9	N 4th reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,694	. Inapplicable
				3	1 Cost of health care

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				0			2 Can't afford
				0			3 Services covered
				0			4 Inconvenient location
				0			5 Waiting time
				0			6 Time spent with doctor
				0			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				0			8 Unnecessary tests
				0			9 Doctor's attitude
				0			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				0			12 Attitude of other medical person
				1			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			21 Medicare Rx DRUG/PDP/PART D
				0			22 Prescription drug coverage
				2			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code
Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 4th reason is given							
MCWORRY	440	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10a		N Worry abt hlth more than others your age
				250			-8 Don't know
				27			-7 Refused
				3,100			1 True
				11,324			2 False
Note: First available in 1996							
MCAVOID	442	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10b		N Do almost anything to avoid going to Dr
				52			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				4,147			1 True
				10,476			2 False
Note: First available in 1996							
MCSICK	444	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10c		N When sick - try keeping sickness to self
				101			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				5,495			1 True
				9,079			2 False
Note: First available in 1996							
MCDRsoon	446	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10d		N Usually go to Dr as soon as you feel bad
				104			-8 Don't know
				27			-7 Refused
				5,372			1 True
				9,198			2 False
Note: First available in 1996							
MCDRNSEE	448	2	YES2FMT		SC11		N Hlth prob think Dr should see but didn't

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				31			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				1,179			1 Yes
				13,469			2 No
MCDRATMP	450	2	YES1FMT		SC12a		N Attempt to get Dr appoint abt condition
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				329			1 Yes
				849			2 No
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1998							
MCRNSERS	452	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think not serious
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				496			1 Indicated
				678			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCR COST	454	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think cost too much
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				252			1 Indicated
				922			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCR TIME	456	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - didn't have time
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				64			1 Indicated
				1,110			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCR APPT	458	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - can't get appoint
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				76			1 Indicated
				1,098			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCR AVAIL	460	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no Dr available
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				47			1 Indicated
				1,127			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCR WAY	462	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no way to get to Dr
				13,522			. Inapplicable

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				5			-8 Don't know
				92			1 Indicated
				1,082			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRFAMILY	464	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - can't leave family
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				22			1 Indicated
				1,152			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCDRCDM	466	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - think can't do much
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				207			1 Indicated
				967			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRFEAR	468	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - feared what's wrong
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				119			1 Indicated
				1,055			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCDRCHG	470	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - charge>Medicare pay
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				56			1 Indicated
				1,118			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRACCP	472	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - accept no Medicaid
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				38			1 Indicated
				1,136			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDOCTR	474	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - don't trust/afraid
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				7			1 Indicated
				1,167			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
				First available in 1996			
MCRHOSP	476	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - fear be put in hosp
				13,522			. Inapplicable

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				5			-8 Don't know
				6			1 Indicated
				1,168			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCRNOCAR	478	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - no feel like/care
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				1,169			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCRUNABL	480	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - needed house call
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				9			1 Indicated
				1,165			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCROTHR	482	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - other
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				92			1 Indicated
				1,082			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCRMAIN	484	2	NODOCFMT		SC14		N Main reason SP not see Dr abt condition?
				13,522			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				429			1 Problem not serious
				199			2 Costs too much
				35			3 Didn't have time
				48			4 Appointment not soon enough
				23			5 No doctor available
				60			6 No way to doctor
				10			7 Couldn't leave other family member
				138			8 SP thought Dr couldn't do much abt prob
				84			9 SP afraid of finding out what was wrong
				25			10 Dr charges more than Medicare pays
				20			11 SP couldn't find Dr to accept Medicaid
				7			12 Afraid of doctor
				6			13 Afraid of hospital
				4			14 Didn't care
				7			15 Needed house call
				78			91 Other, specify
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
PMNOTGET	486	2	YES2FMT		SC15		N Were there presc medicines SP didn't get
				22			-8 Don't know
				21			-7 Refused
				668			1 Yes

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				13,990			2 No
				Note: First available in 1996			
PMNOCOND	488	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - not for condition
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				97			1 Indicated
				568			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			
PMCOST	490	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - medicine too costly
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				333			1 Indicated
				332			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			
PMNOCOV	492	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - insurance didnt cover
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				161			1 Indicated
				504			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			
PMNOTIME	494	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - didn't have time
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				6			1 Indicated
				659			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			
PMNOSOON	496	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - not get soon enough
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				20			1 Indicated
				645			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			
PMPHARM	498	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - pharmacy inconvenient
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				660			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1			
				First available in 1996			

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PMNOWAY	500	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - no way to get it
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				11			1 Indicated
				654			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOHELP	502	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - won't help condition
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				47			1 Indicated
				618			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMREACT	504	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - feared reaction
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				84			1 Indicated
				581			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNONEED	506	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - got better - no need
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				30			1 Indicated
				635			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOLIKE	508	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - dislike taking meds
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				43			1 Indicated
				622			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMOTHER	510	2	IND1FMT		SC17		N SP didn't get Rx - other
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				42			1 Indicated
				623			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMOTHOS	512	30			SC17		C SP didn't get Rx - other (specify)
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			

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PMMAIN	542	2	PMMEDFMT		SC18		N Main reason didn't get medicine this yr
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				69			1 Didn't think med was necessary for cond
				280			2 Thought it would cost too much
				111			3 Med not covered by insurand or Medicaid
				6			4 Didn't have time
				13			5 Could not get the medicine soon enough
				4			6 No pharmacy convenient
				6			7 Didn't have a way to get medicine
				28			8 Didn't think med would help condition
				69			9 Afraid of reactions/contraindications
				21			10 Felt better - didn't need medicine
				19			11 Dont like to take medicine
				36			91 Other

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

NOTFILL	544	2	NUM5FMT		SC19		N Number of times Rx was not filled
				14,033			. Inapplicable
				18			-8 Don't know
				196			1 None
				177			2 1 time
				60			3 2 times
				103			4 3-4 times
				67			5 5-9 times
				47			6 10 or more times

Notes: Applies if SP indicated one or more prescriptions was not filled
First available in 2004

GENERRX	546	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Did SP ask for generic form of Rx?
				77			-8 Don't know
				25			-7 Refused
				5,098			1 Often
				2,257			2 Sometimes
				7,244			3 Never

Note: First available in 2004

MAILRX	548	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Has SP purchased Rx via mail/internet?
				34			-8 Don't know
				27			-7 Refused
				2,860			1 Often
				1,166			2 Sometimes
				10,614			3 Never

Note: First available in 2004

DOESRX	550	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N SP took smaller does of Rx
				36			-8 Don't know
				26			-7 Refused
				322			1 Often
				1,261			2 Sometimes
				13,056			3 Never

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Note: First available in 2004							
SKIPRX	552	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Skipped doses to make Rx last longer
					33		-8 Don't know
					26		-7 Refused
					296		1 Often
					1,191		2 Sometimes
					13,155		3 Never
Note: First available in 2004							
SAMPLERX	554	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Asked for Rx samples from Dr.
					47		-8 Don't know
					25		-7 Refused
					2,445		1 Often
					4,754		2 Sometimes
					7,430		3 Never
Note: First available in 2004							
COMPARRX	556	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Compared prices/shopped for best prices
					35		-8 Don't know
					25		-7 Refused
					1,265		1 Often
					2,047		2 Sometimes
					11,329		3 Never
Note: First available in 2004							
NONUSRX	558	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Purchased Rx from outside the U.S.?
					32		-8 Don't know
					26		-7 Refused
					250		1 Often
					734		2 Sometimes
					13,659		3 Never
Note: First available in 2004							
SPENTLRX	560	2	TIME4FMT		SC20		N Spent less \$ to save for needed Rx
					31		-8 Don't know
					25		-7 Refused
					422		1 Often
					1,201		2 Sometimes
					13,022		3 Never
Note: First available in 2004							
PLACEPAR	562	2	YES2FMT		US1		N Does SP go particular place for med care
					10		-8 Don't know
					18		-7 Refused
					13,962		1 Yes
					711		2 No
PLACEKND	564	2	PLACEFMT		US2		N Kind of place SP usually go for med care
					739		. Inapplicable
					6		-8 Don't know
					1		-7 Refused

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				11,104			1 Doctor's office or group practice
				1,498			2 Doctor's clinic
				462			3 HMO
				66			4 Neighborhood or family health center
				0			5 Freestanding surgery center
				30			6 Rural Health Clinic
				1			7 Company clinic
				18			8 Other clinic
				22			9 Walk-in urgent care center
				63			10 At home
				32			11 Hospital emergency room
				269			12 Hospital outpatient department
				362			13 Veterans' Administration facility
				3			14 Mental health center
				25			91 Other, specify

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

PLACEMCP	566	2	YES1FMT		US2A		N Is Dr/clinic associated w/ SP's MCP?
				12,073			. Inapplicable
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				10			-8 Don't know
				2,481			1 Yes
				133			2 No

Notes: Applies only if SP currently belongs to a managed care plan
First available in 1999

USUALDOC	568	2	YES1FMT		US4		N Is there particular Dr SP usually sees
				11,906			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				2,308			1 Yes
				477			2 No

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

MDSPEC	570	2	SPCLFMT		US6a		N What is the doctor's specialty
				1,225			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				294			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				14			1 Allergy & Immunology
				4			2 Anesthesiology
				313			3 Cardiology (heart)
				4			5 Dermatology (skin)
				5			6 Emergency Room physician
				81			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				2,795			8 Family practice
				51			9 Gastroenterology
				5,499			10 General practice
				38			11 General surgery
				127			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				33			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				17			14 Hematology (blood)
				7			15 Hospital residence
				3,514			16 Internal medicine
				70			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				66			18 Neurology
				2			19 Nuclear Medicine
				56			20 Oncology

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				4			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				13			22 Orthopaedics
				197			24 Osteopathy
				1			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				11			26 Pathology
				2			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				0			28 Plastic surgery
				0			29 Proctology
				69			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				69			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				0			32 Radiology
				27			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				1			34 Thoracic Surgery
				21			35 Urology
				0			36 Audiologist
				0			37 Chiropractor
				0			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				0			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				65			91 Other medical specialty

Notes: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.
First available in 2005

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Notes: Inapplicable if MDSPEC /= 91
First available in 2005

USHOUSCL	602	2	YES1FMT	US7	N Does Dr make house calls?
				802	. Inapplicable
				1	-9 Not ascertained
				1,062	-8 Don't know
				2	-7 Refused
				452	1 Yes
				12,382	2 No

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

GETUSHOW	604	2	GODRFMT	US8	N How does SP usually get to Dr's office?
				802	. Inapplicable
				1	-9 Not ascertained
				4	-8 Don't know
				2	-7 Refused
				291	1 Walking
				8,981	2 Driving
				3,881	3 Being driven
				106	4 Ambulance or other special vehicle
				113	5 Taxi
				464	6 Other public transportation
				0	7 Doctor comes to home
				26	8 Senior citizen van/bus
				30	91 Other, specify

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

D_GETUS	606	4	SECFMT	US9	N Mins - usually take to get Dr's office
				809	. Inapplicable
				30	-8 Don't know
				2	-7 Refused

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7,894							0-15 Up to 15 minutes
4,402							15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
893							30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
388							45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
35							60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
107							75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
10							90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
67							105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
64							2 or more hrs

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

ACCOMPUS	610	2	YES1FMT		US10		N Does someone accompany SP to Dr's office
				809			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				5,934			1 Yes
				7,955			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if GETUSHOW < 0 or GETUSHOW = 7

D_ACCREL	612	2	REL1FMT		US11		N Who usually goes w/ SP to Dr's office?
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				2,779			2 Spouse
				386			3 Son
				1,204			4 Daughter
				45			5 Brother
				167			6 Sister
				64			7 Father
				286			8 Mother
				24			9 Son-in-law
				120			10 Daughter-in-law
				27			11 Grandson
				67			12 Granddaughter
				11			13 Nephew
				76			14 Niece
				74			50 Partner/roommate
				318			51 Friend/neighbor
				0			52 Boarder
				36			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				4			54 Legal/financial officer
				8			55 Guardian
				83			91 Other relative
				155			92 Other non-relative

Note: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1

ACCWRITE	614	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to take notes
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				2,730			1 Indicated
				3,202			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
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ACCEXPDR	616	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to explain things to Dr.
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				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				2,762			1 Indicated
				3,170			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCEXPSP	618	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to explain Dr's instr
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1,944			1 Indicated
				3,988			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCASKQS	620	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to ask questions
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				2,647			1 Indicated
				3,285			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCTTRANS	622	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to act as a translator
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				166			1 Indicated
				5,766			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCAPPTS	624	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to schedule appointments
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1,236			1 Indicated
				4,696			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCMORAL	626	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP for moral support
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				1,563			1 Indicated
				4,369			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1							
First available in 2002							
ACCDRIVE	628	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to provide transportation
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				3,338			1 Indicated
				2,594			2 Not indicated

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Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCHELP	630	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP to assist w/ ADLs
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				572			1 Indicated
				5,360			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCOTHER	632	2	IND1FMT		US11aa		N Accompanies SP for other reason
				8,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				56			1 Indicated
				5,876			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
USHOWLNG	634	2	DOCFMT		US15		N How long seeing Dr/going service place
				739			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				98			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,329			1 Less than 1 year
				2,351			2 1 year to < 3 years
				2,347			3 3 years to < 5 years
				2,886			4 5 years to < 10 years
				4,946			5 10 years or more
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
PREVMEDC	636	2	YES1FMT		US17		N Before usual Dr had SP seen other Dr?
				13,371			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				1,158			1 Yes
				169			2 No
Note: Applies only if USHOWLING = 1 or USONEY = 1							
USCKEVRY	638	2	AGREE		US27		N Dr checks everything when examining SP
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				120			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				4,510			1 Strongly agree
				8,318			2 Agree
				810			3 Disagree
				80			4 Strongly Disagree
				77			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USCOMPET	640	2	AGREE		US28		N Your Dr is competent and well-trained
				781			. Inapplicable

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				1			-9 Not ascertained
				242			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				5,006			1 Strongly agree
				8,448			2 Agree
				158			3 Disagree
				15			4 Strongly Disagree
				46			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USUNHIST	642	2	AGREE		US29		N Dr has good understanding of med history
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				206			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				4,610			1 Strongly agree
				8,452			2 Agree
				530			3 Disagree
				39			4 Strongly Disagree
				80			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USUNWRNG	644	2	AGREE		US30		N Dr complete understand what wrong w/ SP
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				237			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				4,222			1 Strongly agree
				8,500			2 Agree
				784			3 Disagree
				68			4 Strongly Disagree
				105			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USHURRY	646	2	AGREE		US31		N Dr at serv place seems to be in a hurry
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				88			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				306			1 Strongly agree
				1,823			2 Agree
				8,980			3 Disagree
				2,646			4 Strongly Disagree
				73			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USEXPPRB	648	2	AGREE		US32		N Dr doesn't explain med problems to SP
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				116			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				164			1 Strongly agree
				1,107			2 Agree
				9,762			3 Disagree
				2,653			4 Strongly Disagree
				114			5 No experience

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USDISCUS	650	2	AGREE		US33		N Hlth problem should be discuss but isn't
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				125			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				108			1 Strongly agree
				1,007			2 Agree
				10,058			3 Disagree
				2,490			4 Strongly Disagree
				127			5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USFAVOR	652	2	AGREE		US34		N Dr act as if do a favor by talking to SP
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				109			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				88			1 Strongly agree
				693			2 Agree
				9,395			3 Disagree
				3,565			4 Strongly Disagree
				65			5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USTELALL	654	2	AGREE		US35		N Dr tell all SP wants know abt med treat
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				111			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				3,460			1 Strongly agree
				9,142			2 Agree
				1,007			3 Disagree
				110			4 Strongly Disagree
				86			5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USANSQUX	656	2	AGREE		US36		N Servicing Dr answers all SP questions
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				78			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				4,033			1 Strongly agree
				9,199			2 Agree
				470			3 Disagree
				63			4 Strongly Disagree
				73			5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USCONFID	658	2	AGREE		US37		N SP has great confidence in Dr
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				166			-8 Don't know

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				4			-7 Refused
				4,622			1 Strongly agree
				8,244			2 Agree
				705			3 Disagree
				110			4 Strongly Disagree
				68			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USDEPEND	660	2	AGREE		US38		N Depend on Dr feel better phys & emotion
				781			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				217			-8 Don't know
				7			-7 Refused
				3,140			1 Strongly agree
				8,258			2 Agree
				1,885			3 Disagree
				252			4 Strongly Disagree
				160			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
NUSNOTSK	662	2	YES1FMT		US39		N No source of care - seldom or never sick
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				445			1 Yes
				263			2 No
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2							
NUSMOVIN	664	2	YES1FMT		US40		N No source of care - recent move to area
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				83			1 Yes
				627			2 No
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2							
NUSAVAIL	666	2	YES1FMT		US41		N No source of care - Amer Dr unavailable
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				103			1 Yes
				605			2 No
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2							
USWHYNAV	668	2	WHYFMT		US42		N Why is SP's usual Dr no longer available
				14,598			. Inapplicable
				28			1 Previous doctor retired
				15			2 Previous doctor died
				34			3 Previous doctor moved
				7			4 SP moved
				4			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
				15			91 Other

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Note: Applies only if NUSAVAIL = 1

NUSDIFFP	670	2	YES1FMT		US43		N No source of care - like different place
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				73			1 Yes
				637			2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2

NUSTOOFR	672	2	YES1FMT		US44		N No source of care - places too far away
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				60			1 Yes
				650			2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2

NUSTOOEX	674	2	YES1FMT		US45		N No source of care - cost too expensive
				13,990			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				117			1 Yes
				593			2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2