Comparative Health System Performance Initiative: Compendium of U.S. Health Systems, 2018, Hospital Linkage File, Technical Documentation

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Appendix B. Data Dictionary – Hospital Linkage File

Variable Name	Variable Type	Description
compendium_hospital_id	Character	Unique hospital ID created by the CHSP Initiative and used across all CHSP analyses ^a
ccn	Character	CMS certification number (hospital ID)
hospital_name	Character	Hospital name
hospital_street	Character	Hospital street address
hospital_city	Character	Hospital city
hospital_state	Character	Hospital State
hospital_zip	Character	Hospital ZIP Code
acutehosp_flag	Numeric	Flag for non-Federal general acute care hospitals
health_sys_id	Character	Unique Compendium health system ID (assigned by the CHSP Initiative) of the system linked to the hospital (same variable as in the Compendium of U.S. Health Systems)
health_sys_name	Character	Health system name (same variable as in the Compendium of U.S. Health Systems)
health_sys_city	Character	Health system city (same variable as in the Compendium of U.S. Health Systems)
health_sys_state	Character	Health system State (same variable as in the Compendium of U.S. Health Systems)

^a If a 2018 hospital had the same CCN and/or AHA identification number as a 2016 hospital, then we assigned the 2018 hospital the same unique hospital identification number as 2016.