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Message #	Data Element	XML Element	Message Description
10000	Get XML File (File level validation)		File cannot be parsed.
10010	Get XML File (File level validation)		This will be a dynamic message to capture any system generated errors
10020	Get XML File (File level validation)		Submitter is not authorized to upload file for Hospital ID <provider-id>
10021	Get XML File (File level validation)		Provider is not allowed to upload data for the discharge period for which there is an active contract with a vendor.
20010	Header Hospital Name	<provider-name>	Hospital Name is required in header
20011	Header Hospital Name	<provider-name>	Hospital Name is more than maximum length (100 character) in header
20020	Header Hospital ID	<provider-id>	Hospital ID is required in header
20040	Header Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year is required in header
20060	Header Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year <discharge-yr> is not a valid year in header
20061	Header Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year <discharge-yr> cannot be before 2006 in header
20070	Header Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month is required in header
20090	Header Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month <discharge-month> is not a valid month in header

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20091	Header Discharge Month, Header Discharge Year	<discharge-month>, <discharge-yr>	Discharge Month/Year cannot be in the future in header
20100	Header Eligible Discharges	<number-eligible-discharge>	Eligible Discharges is required in header
20110	Header Eligible Discharges	<number-eligible-discharge>	Eligible Discharges <number-eligible-discharge> is not a valid value in header
20120	Header Sample Size	<sample-size>	Sample Size is required in header
20130	Header Sample Size	<sample-size>	Sample Size <sample-size> is not a valid value in header
20140	Header Sampling Type	<sample-type>	Sampling Type is required in header
20150	Header Sampling Type	<sample-type>	Sampling Type <sample-type> is not a valid value in header
20151	Header Sampling Type	<sample-type>	Sampling Type of <sampling-type> not valid for quarter, expected <sampling-type>.
20200	Header Strata Name	<strata-name>	Strata name <strata-name> does not match any existing strata for this quarter.
20201	Header Strata	<dsrs-strata>	Must enter at least 2 strata if sampling type is 3
20202	Header Strata Name	<strata-name>	Strata name <strata-name> not found in header.
20203	Header Strata	<dsrs-strata>	<dsrs-strata> should not be included if sample-type is not 3.

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20204	Header Strata Name	<strata-name>	<strata-name><strata-name></strata-name> should not be included if sample-type is not 3.
20205	Header Strata Name	<strata-name>	strata-name <strata-name> should only occur once per header.
20220	Header Survey Mode	<survey-mode>	Survey Mode is required in Header
20230	Header Survey Mode	<survey-mode>	Survey Mode <survey-mode> is not a valid value in Header
20231	Header Survey Mode	<survey-mode>	Survey Mode <survey-mode> not valid for quarter, expected <survey-mode>
20241	Header NPI	<npi>	NPI <npi> is not valid. Please use a valid 10 digit number
20208	File level validation		number of admin data elements for <strata-name> not the same as sample size for strata in the header.
20300	Field level validation		Survey submitted before submission period start date
20301	Field level validation		Survey submitted after submission deadline.
30010	Admin Hospital ID	<provider-id>	Hospital ID is required in administrative data
30030	Admin Hospital ID	<provider-id>	Hospital ID <provider-id> in administrative data does not match value <provider-id> in header
30040	Admin Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year is required in administrative data

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30061	Admin Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year <discharge-yr> cannot be before 2006 in administrative data
30070	Admin Discharge Year	<discharge-yr>	Discharge Year <discharge-yr> in administrative data does not match value <discharge-yr> in header
30080	Admin Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month is required in administrative data
30100	Admin Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month <discharge-month> is not a valid month in administrative data
30101	Admin Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month/Year <discharge-month> <discharge-yr> cannot be in the future in administrative data
30110	Admin Discharge Month	<discharge-month>	Discharge Month <discharge-month> in administrative data does not match value <discharge-month> in header
30120	Admin Patient ID	<patient-id>	Patient ID is required in administrative data
30130	Admin Patient ID	<patient-id>	Patient ID <patient-id> is not a valid value in administrative data
30140	Admin Admission Source	<admission-source>	Admit Source is required in administrative data
30150	Admin Admission Source	<admission-source>	Admit Source <admission-source> is not a valid value in administrative data
30160	Admin Reason for Admission	<principal-reason-admission>	Admit Reason is required in administrative data

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Message #	Data Element	XML Element	Message Description
30170	Admin Reason for Admission	<principal-reason-admission>	Admit Reason <principal-reason-admission> is not a valid value in administrative data
30180	Admin Discharge Status	<discharge-status>	Discharge Status is required in administrative data
30190	Admin Discharge Status	<discharge-status>	Discharge Status <discharge-status> is not a valid value in administrative data
30220	Admin Survey Status	<survey-status>	Survey Status is required in administrative data
30230	Admin Survey Status	<survey-status>	Survey Status <survey-status> is not a valid value in administrative data
30231	Admin Survey Status	<survey-status>	Survey Response must be provided if Survey Status is "1 - Completed survey" or "6 - Non-Response: Break-off".
30240	Admin Language	<language>	Survey Language is required in administrative data
30250	Admin Language	<language>	Survey Language <language> is not a valid value in administrative data
30260	Admin Lag Time	<lag-time>	Survey Lag Time is required in administrative data
30270	Admin Lag Time	<lag-time>	Survey Lag Time <lag-time> is not a valid value in administrative data
30280	Admin Gender	<gender>	Survey Gender is required in administrative data
30290	Admin Gender	<gender>	Survey Gender <gender> is not a valid value in administrative data

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30300	Admin Age Category	<patient-age>	Survey Age Category is required in administrative data
30310	Admin Age Category	<patient-age>	Survey Age Category <patient-age> is not a valid value in administrative data
50000	Admin Patient ID	<patient-id>	Patient ID must be unique in one file

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60010	The XML element or <question-code> to which this edit applies is given in the XML Element column to the right.	<nurse-courtesy-respect> <nurse-listen> <nurse-explain> <call-button> <dr-courtesy-respect> <dr-listen> <dr-explain> <cleanliness> <quiet> <bathroom-screener> <bathroom-help> <med-screener> <pain-control> <help-pain> <new-med-screener> <med-for> <side-effects> <discharge-screener> <help-after-discharge> <symptoms> <overall-rate> <recommend> <overall-health> <education> <ethnic> <race-white> <race-african-amer> <race-asian> <race-hi-pacific-islander> <race-amer-indian-ak> <language-speak>	<answer-value> is not a valid value for <question-code>

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