Wisconsin DEPARTMENT of HEALTH SERVICES

Guideline for reporting employer information to Wisconsin Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology and Surveillance Program

Background

Wisconsin statute and administrative rules require blood lead test results, demographics, and employer information of employed patients who are 16 years and older be reported to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, where they are used for the Wisconsin Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology and Surveillance (ABLES) program.[1,2]

Here are some examples of how to complete the employment information fields. **Please ensure each field is formatted per HL7 message standards.** Completion of all fields ensures that we have accurate information.

	NK1.10 Job Title	NK1.13 Kin Organization	NK1.3 Kin Relation Code	NK1.4 Organization Address	NK1.5 Organization Phone number
Employed	Enter the patient's occupation. If this field is not supported in your system, leave it blank.	Enter the business name of the patient's employer.	Enter "EMR" for employer.	Enter the business address of the patient's employer.	Enter the phone number of the patient's employer.
Self-Employed	Enter the patient's occupation.	Enter the patient's business name.	Enter "EMR" for employer.	Enter the business address (or patient home address if same).	Enter the phone number the patient uses for work.
Unemployed or Retired	Enter "unemployed" or "retired." If this field is not supported in your system, leave it blank.	Enter "unemployed" or "retired."	Enter "OTH."	Leave blank.	Leave blank.
Unknown	Enter "unknown." If this field is not supported in your system, leave it blank.	Enter "unknown."	Enter "OTH."	Leave blank.	Leave blank.

Reference

1. Wisconsin Stat. § 254.13, https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/254/ii/13
2. Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 181, https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/dhs/110/181