Release Notes for AHRQ QI SAS Syntax (Version 4.2)
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Summary

This SAS Version 4.2 release contains updates to the SAS Version 4.1b release (September, 2010) of the AHRQ QI software. There are two categories of changes for this release:

1. ICD-9 Codes FY2010
   a. Updated the ICD-9 codes for FY2010 and ensured consistency across SAS and WinQl.
      i. Updated the relevant technical specifications and coding documentation.

2. Rate Calculations
   a. Reliability weights
      i. Changes were made to the signal variance arrays for the PDI module to support the revised reliability weights for the smoothed rates and composites.