Data Dictionary- SPARCS Hospital Discharges by Facility: Beginning 2010

This is a summary dataset for SPARCS years 2010 and forward. This dataset contains hospital specific information.

Variables include:

Hospital Name-The name of the hospital in which the discharge took place

Type of Service-Service category group as defined by SPARCS
(http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/sysdoc/apps.htm)
Medical, Surgical, Pediatric, Obstetrical, Nursery/Newborn, Psychiatric, Unknown

Type of Insurance-Source of Payment field as defined by SPARCS
(http://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/sparcs/sysdoc/elements/ipde38a.htm)
Medicaid (Source of Payment code D)
Medicare (Source of Payment code C)
Commercial (Source of Payment code B,F,A or G)
Other (Source of Payment code E,H,I or L)

Patient Gender-Male, Female, Unknown

Discharged Dead or Alive-Identifies if the patient was discharged from the facility alive or dead

Patient Age Group-Age in years (0,1-12,13-17,18-40,41-64,65-74,75 and older)

Discharge Year-Indicates the year of the discharge

Number of Discharges-The number of discharges based on the combination of variables selected

Average Length of Stay-The average length of stay in days based on the total number of discharges in the combination of variables selected

Hospital Volume Ranking 2010- Identifies the ranking of the total number of discharges for each hospital in 2010 based upon the total number of discharges for all hospitals in 2010

Hospital Volume Ranking 2011- Identifies the ranking of the total number of discharges for each hospital in 2011 based upon the total number of discharges for all hospitals in 2011