We released Version L of the RAND HRS dataset in December 2011. Since then, with the assistance of other users, we have discovered some inconsistencies that have now been corrected.

The RAND HRS data files, including the codebook, will be updated on the HRS web site in the data download area. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. Please let us know if you have any questions by emailing RANDHRSHelp@rand.org.

In the process of updating the following variables, we inadvertently did not incorporate the medical expenditure and utilization data from Ahead 1995.

**Medical Expenditure and Utilization in Ahead 1995 (wave3)**

**Medical expenditures: Out of Pocket and Total**
- R3TOTMD:W3 Total med expenses, prv 2 yrs
- S3TOTMD:W3 Total med expenses, prv 2 yrs
  This problem affected 7005 cases for the respondent variables, and 3594 cases for the spouse variables. The amounts were missing for these cases but are now present.

**Medical care utilization: Nursing Home**
- R3NRSHOM:W3 Nurs home stay, prv 2 yrs
- S3NRSHOM:W3 Nurs home stay, prv 2 yrs
  This problem affected 6748 cases for the respondent variables, and 3540 cases for the spouse variables. The data were missing for these cases but are now present.

- R3NRSNIT:W3 # Nights in nurs home, prv 2 yrs
- S3NRSNIT:W3 # Nights in nurs home, prv 2 yrs
  This problem affected 6979 cases for the respondent variables, and 3590 cases for the spouse variables. The data were missing for these cases but are now present.

And in the following variables, this problem affected 7027 cases for the respondent variables, and 3704 cases for the spouse variables. The data were missing for these cases but are now present.

**Medical expenditures: Out of Pocket and Total**
- R3OOPMD:W3 Out of pkt med exp, prv 2 yrs
- S3OOPMD:W3 Out of pkt med exp, prv 2 yrs
  This problem affected 7005 cases for the respondent variables, and 3594 cases for the spouse variables. The data were missing for these cases but are now present.

- R3OOPMDF:W3 Out of pkt imputed
- S3OOPMDF:W3 Out of pkt imputed
- R3TOTMDF:W3 Total med imputed
- S3TOTMDF:W3 Total med imputed

**Medical care utilization: Hospital**
- R3HOSP:W3 Hospital stay, prv 2 yrs
- S3HOSP:W3 Hospital stay, prv 2 yrs
- R3HSPTIM:W3 # Hospital stays, prv 2 yrs
- S3HSPTIM:W3 # Hospital stays, prv 2 yrs
- R3HSPNIT:W3 # Nights in hosp, prv 2 yrs
- S3HSPNIT:W3 # Nights in hosp, prv 2 yrs

**Medical care utilization: Nursing Home**
- R3NRSTIM:W3 # Nurs home stays, prv 2 yrs
- S3NRSTIM:W3 # Nurs home stays, prv 2 yrs

**Medical care utilization: Doctor**
- R3DOCTOR:W3 Doctor visit, prv 2 yrs
- S3DOCTOR:W3 Doctor visit, prv 2 yrs
- R3DOCTIM:W3 # Doctor vists, prv 2 yrs
- S3DOCTIM:W3 # Doctor vists, prv 2 yrs

**Medical care utilization: Other Medical Care Utilization**
- R3OUTPT:W3 Outpatient surgry, prv 2 yrs
- S3OUTPT:W3 Outpatient surgry, prv 2 yrs
- R3DENTST:W3 Dental visit, prv 2 yrs
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