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## CHIS 2016 DATA DICTIONARY

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## 6. CHIS Data Dictionary

### How to Use the Data Dictionary

This Data Dictionary describes the variables in the CHIS 2016 data file. The index of the data dictionary lists variables first in alphabetical order and then in the order they were administered in the survey questionnaire. Please note that identical variable names appearing in the CHIS 2001, CHIS 2003, CHIS 2005, CHIS 2007, CHIS 2009, CHIS 2011-12, CHIS 2013-2014, and CHIS 2015 data files does not guarantee identical question wording, response categories or universe; please consult the questionnaires and data dictionaries to assess comparability across cycles. A printable version of the questionnaire can be found on the California Health Interview Survey web site at <http://healthpolicy.ucla.edu/chis/design/Pages/questionnairesEnglish.aspx>.

The data dictionary contains the following fields:

- **VARNAME:** The names of the variables.
- **QNAME16:** The names of the 2015-2016 survey items. A blank/NA field means the variable is constructed with survey items shown in the **INPUT VAR** field.
- **QNAME14:** The names of 2013-2014 survey items identical or similar to the 2015-2016 items.
- **QNAME11:** The names of 2011-2012 survey items identical or similar to the 2015-2016 items.
- **LABEL:** A description (or label) of the variable which is the same as what is included in the label file described in Section 1.2.
- **VALUE:** Response categories and their sample distributions of categorical variables. The following negative values are used for all variables:
  - 1: INAPPLICABLE.
  - 2: PROXY SKIPPED.
  - 5: CHILD/HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION NOT COLLECTED FOR TEEN AND CHILD INTERVIEWS.
  - 7: REFUSED.
  - 8: DON'T KNOW.
  - 9: NOT ASCERTAINED.
- **MEAN STATISTICS:** Sample distributions of continuous variables.
- **UNIVERSE:** The scope of eligible respondents for the corresponding item. For some questions and variables, certain respondents become ineligible due to skip patterns or other restrictions (e.g., age and sex).
- **INPUT VAR:** Source variables used to construct the one in the **VARNAME** field.
- **NOTES:** Additional information about the variable.

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