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NOTE: This session is executing on the WIN PRO platform.
          options ls=120 ps=79 nodate;
2
          ods noproctitle;
          /****************************
3
                       c:\meps\prog\Example_L5.sas
          Program:
          Description: This example shows how to:
                       (1) Use condition file to identify events for asthma
R
                       (2) Link conditions to events
                       (3) Merge the condition-event linked file to event files
                       (4) For each event, construct variables with the same name across events
10
11
                       (5) Combine facility and doctor expenditures
12
                       (6) Combine event files, identify type of event
                       (7) Aggregate event-level records to person level
13
14
15
          Input Files: c:\meps\data\h61.sas7bdat (2001 Conditions)
16
                       c:\meps\data\h59if1.sas7bdat (2001 Condition-Event Link File)
17
                       c:\meps\data\h59a.sas7bdat (2001 Prescribed Medicines)
                       c:\meps\data\h59e.sas7bdat (2001 Emergency Room Visits)
18
19
                       c:\meps\data\h59f.sas7bdat (2001 Outpatient Visits)
20
                       c:\meps\data\h59g.sas7bdat (2001 Office-Based Medical Provider Visits)
21
                       c:\meps\data\h60.sas7bdat (2001 Full-Year Persons)
          22
23
24
          libname hc 'c:\meps\data';
NOTE: Libref HC was successfully assigned as follows:
     Engine:
     Physical Name: c:\meps\data
25
26
          proc format;
27
            value inscov
28
             1='Any private'
29
              2='Public only'
              3='Uninsured';
NOTE: Format INSCOV has been output.
31
            value $vistype
32
              'ob'='Office-Based'
33
              'op'='Outpatient'
34
              'er'='Emergency'
35
              'pm'='Drug Purchase';
NOTE: Format $VISTYPE has been output.
36
           value age
37
             0-4 = '0-4'
              5-17 = '5-17'
38
39
             18-24= '18-24 '
40
              25-44= '25-44'
41
             45-64= ' 45-64 '
42
              65-90='65-90';
NOTE: Format AGE has been output.
           value sex 1='Male' 2='Female';
NOTE: Format SEX has been output.
44
           value racethnx
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45
              1='Hispanic'
46
              2='Black, not Hispanic'
47
              3='Other';
NOTE: Format RACETHNX has been output.
48
          run;
49
50
          title 'AHRQ MEPS DATA USERS WORKSHOP (LINKING) -- NOV/DEC 2004';
51
          title2 'Link 2001 Conditions and Event Files';
52
53
                   /* Identify Asthma conditions */
54
          data cond; set hc.h61(keep=condidx icd9codx dupersid where=(icd9codx='493'));
55
            by condidx;
56
            drop icd9codx;
57
          run;
NOTE: There were 1695 observations read from the data set HC.H61.
     WHERE icd9codx='493';
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NOTE: The data set WORK.COND has 1695 observations and 2 variables.
58
59
                   /* Merge link file (CLNK) & CONDS by CONDIDX */
60
          data condev; merge
61
            cond(in=a)
62
            hc.h59if1(in=b); by condidx;
63
            if a & b;
                                               /* keep only records that are in both files */
64
          run;
NOTE: There were 1695 observations read from the data set WORK.COND.
NOTE: There were 314599 observations read from the data set HC.H59IF1.
NOTE: The data set WORK.CONDEV has 7046 observations and 5 variables.
65
                   /* Sort by EVNTIDX for merges w/ event files */
66
          proc sort nodupkey; by evntidx; run;
NOTE: 13 observations with duplicate key values were deleted.
NOTE: There were 7046 observations read from the data set WORK.CONDEV.
NOTE: The data set WORK.CONDEV has 7033 observations and 5 variables.
67
68
                   /* Prescribed medicines */
69
          data h59a; set hc.h59a(keep=rxrecidx linkidx rxsf01x rxxp01x rename=(linkidx=evntidx));
70
            by evntidx;
71
          run;
NOTE: There were 277866 observations read from the data set HC.H59A.
NOTE: The data set WORK. H59A has 277866 observations and 4 variables.
72
73
                   /* Combine Conditions & Prescribed medicines */
          data pm; merge
74
75
            condev(in=a)
76
            h59a(in=b); by evntidx; if a & b;
77
            ambtotev=rxxp01x; /* construct expenditure variables */
78
            ambfamev=rxsf01x;
79
          run;
NOTE: There were 7033 observations read from the data set WORK.CONDEV.
NOTE: There were 277866 observations read from the data set WORK.H59A.
NOTE: The data set WORK.PM has 9726 observations and 10 variables.
80
81
                    /* Aggregate PMED events to person level */
          proc sort; by dupersid; run;
NOTE: There were 9726 observations read from the data set WORK.PM.
NOTE: The data set WORK.PM has 9726 observations and 10 variables.
83
          data perpmed; set pm; by dupersid;
            if first.dupersid then do;
84
85
              ambtotpd=0;
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86

ambfampd=0;

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87
            end;
88
            retain ambtotpd ambfampd;
89
            ambtotpd = ambtotpd + ambtotev;
90
            ambfampd = ambfampd + ambfamev;
            if last.dupersid then output;
91
92
            label
93
              ambtotpd='Total Paid: Prescriptions'
94
              ambfampd='Amount Paid by Family: Prescriptions';
            keep dupersid ambtotpd ambfampd;
95
96
NOTE: There were 9726 observations read from the data set WORK.PM.
NOTE: The data set WORK.PERPMED has 1306 observations and 3 variables.
97
98
                   /* Add person characteristics */
99
          data pers1; merge
100
            perpmed(in=a)
101
            hc.h60(keep=dupersid inscov01 perwt01f); by dupersid; if a;
102
NOTE: There were 1306 observations read from the data set WORK.PERPMED.
NOTE: There were 33556 observations read from the data set HC.H60.
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NOTE: The data set WORK.PERS1 has 1306 observations and 5 variables.
103
104
           title3
105
            'Average Prescription Expenditures per Person, for Persons with Asthma -- Total and Paid by Family';
106
           proc means mean maxdec=2;
107
             class inscov01;
108
             format inscov01 inscov.;
109
             var ambtotpd ambfampd;
110
            weight perwt01f;
111
           run;
NOTE: There were 1306 observations read from the data set WORK.PERS1.
NOTE: The PROCEDURE MEANS printed page 1.
112
113
                    /* Merge Asthma Conditions w/ each event file
114
115
                    /* Construct expenditure variables, using same name across events */
116
                    /* Office-based */
117
118
           proc sort data=hc.h59q(keep=evntidx obxp01x obsf01x) out=h59q; by evntidx; run;
NOTE: There were 147490 observations read from the data set HC.H59G.
NOTE: The data set WORK.H59G has 147490 observations and 3 variables.
119
           data ob; merge
120
             condev(in=a)
121
            h59g(in=b); by evntidx; if a & b;
                    /* construct expenditure variables */
122
123
            ambtotev=obxp01x;
124
            ambfamev=obsf01x;
125
           run;
NOTE: There were 7033 observations read from the data set WORK.CONDEV.
NOTE: There were 147490 observations read from the data set WORK.H59G.
NOTE: The data set WORK.OB has 2296 observations and 9 variables.
126
127
                    /* Outpatient */
128
           proc sort data=hc.h59f(keep=evntidx opxp01x opfsf01x opdsf01x) out=h59f;
129
            by evntidx;
130
           run;
NOTE: There were 16274 observations read from the data set HC.H59F.
NOTE: The data set WORK. H59F has 16274 observations and 4 variables.
131
          data op; merge
132
             condev(in=a)
             h59f(in=b); by evntidx; if a & b;
133
134
                    /* construct expenditure variables */
135
            ambtotev=opxp01x;
136
             ambfamev=sum(opfsf01x,opdsf01x);
                                                     /* combine facility & doctor amounts */
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137

run;

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NOTE: There were 7033 observations read from the data set WORK.CONDEV.
NOTE: There were 16274 observations read from the data set WORK.H59F.
NOTE: The data set WORK.OP has 109 observations and 10 variables.
138
139
                   /* Emergency room */
140
          proc sort data=hc.h59e(keep=evntidx erxp01x erfsf01x erdsf01x) out=h59e;
141
          by evntidx;
142
          run;
NOTE: There were 6444 observations read from the data set HC.H59E.
NOTE: The data set WORK.H59E has 6444 observations and 4 variables.
143
          data er; merge
144
            condev(in=a)
145
            h59e(in=b); by evntidx; if a & b;
146
                   /* construct expenditure variables */
147
            ambtotev=erxp01x;
148
            ambfamev=sum(erfsf01x,erdsf01x);
                                                    /* combine facility & doctor amounts */
149
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NOTE: There were 7033 observations read from the data set WORK.CONDEV.

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NOTE: There were 6444 observations read from the data set WORK.H59E.
NOTE: The data set WORK.ER has 178 observations and 10 variables.
150
151
                    /* Combine 4 event files */
152
          data allevnt; set
153
             ob(in=a)
154
             op(in=b)
155
             er(in=c)
156
             pm(in=d); by evntidx;
157
                    /* use temporary 'in=' variables to define type of visit or purchase */
158
             if a then vistype='ob';
159
               else if b then vistype='op';
160
              else if c then vistype='er';
161
               else if d then vistype='pm';
162
          run;
NOTE: There were 2296 observations read from the data set WORK.OB.
NOTE: There were 109 observations read from the data set WORK.OP.
NOTE: There were 178 observations read from the data set WORK.ER.
NOTE: There were 9726 observations read from the data set WORK.PM.
NOTE: The data set WORK.ALLEVNT has 12309 observations and 19 variables.
163
164
          title3 'Frequency of Ambulatory Visits for Asthma, by Type of Event';
165
          proc freq data=allevnt; tables vistype/missing; format vistype $vistype.; run;
NOTE: There were 12309 observations read from the data set WORK.ALLEVNT.
NOTE: The PROCEDURE FREQ printed page 2.
166
167
                    /* aggregate events to person level */
168
169
          proc sort data=allevnt; by dupersid; run;
NOTE: There were 12309 observations read from the data set WORK.ALLEVNT.
NOTE: The data set WORK.ALLEVNT has 12309 observations and 19 variables.
           data perev; set allevnt; by dupersid;
170
171
             if first.dupersid then do;
172
              ambtotpd=0; ambfampd=0;
173
             end;
             ambtotpd + ambtotev;
174
175
             ambfampd + ambfamev;
176
            if last.dupersid;
177
            label
178
               ambtotpd='Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma'
179
               ambfampd="Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma";
             keep dupersid ambtotpd ambfampd;
180
181
NOTE: There were 12309 observations read from the data set WORK.ALLEVNT.
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NOTE: The data set WORK.PEREV has 1402 observations and 3 variables.

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182
183
                   /* Add person characteristics */
184
          data pers; merge
185
            perev(in=a)
186
            hc.h60(keep=dupersid perwt01f age31x age42x age53x sex racethnx);
              by dupersid; if a;
187
188
                   /* construct latest age from round-specific vars */
            if age53x >= 0 then age=age53x;
189
190
              else if age42x >= 0 then age=age42x;
191
              else if age31x >= 0 then age=age31x;
192
          run;
NOTE: There were 1402 observations read from the data set WORK.PEREV.
NOTE: There were 33556 observations read from the data set HC.H60.
NOTE: The data set WORK.PERS has 1402 observations and 10 variables.
193
194
          title3 'Average Expenditures per Person -- Total and Paid by Family';
195
          proc means data=pers mean maxdec=2;
196
            class age racethnx sex;
197
            format age age. racethnx racethnx. sex sex.;
198
            var ambtotpd ambfampd;
199
            weight perwt01f;
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200 run;

NOTE: There were 1402 observations read from the data set WORK.PERS.

NOTE: The PROCEDURE MEANS printed pages 3-4.

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Average Prescription Expenditures per Person, for Persons with Asthma -- Total and Paid by Family

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE INDICATOR N Variable Any private ambtotpd Total Paid: Prescriptions 430.99 ambfampd Amount Paid by Family: Prescriptions 139.11 Public only ambtotpd Total Paid: Prescriptions 407.35 ambfampd Amount Paid by Family: Prescriptions 142.31 Uninsured 494.28 88 ambtotpd Total Paid: Prescriptions ambfampd Amount Paid by Family: Prescriptions 480.32

AHRQ MEPS DATA USERS WORKSHOP (LINKING) -- NOV/DEC 2004 Link 2001 Conditions and Event Files Frequency of Ambulatory Visits for Asthma, by Type of Event

vistype	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Emergency	178	1.45	178	1.45
Office-Based Outpatient	2296 109	18.65 0.89	2474 2583	20.10
Drug Purchase	9726	79.02	12309	100.00

AHRQ MEPS DATA USERS WORKSHOP (LINKING) -- NOV/DEC 2004 Link 2001 Conditions and Event Files Average Expenditures per Person -- Total and Paid by Family

age	RACE/ETHNICITY (EDITED/IMPUTED)	SEX	N Obs	Variable	Label	Mean
0-4 Hispanic	Hispanic	Male	23	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	227.69
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	18.75
		Female	14	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	291.67 46.70
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	24	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	274.91
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	32.40
		Female	14	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	747.28
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	130.60
	Other	Male	34	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	353.33
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	99.57
		Female	16	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	217.43
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	70.44
5-17	Hispanic	Male	70	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	442.97
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	129.76
		Female	35	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	524.92
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	150.18
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	61	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	444.02
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	93.41
		Female	35	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	349.65
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	113.94
	Other	Male	136	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	404.17
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	132.32
		Female	98	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	393.35
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	99.70
18-24	Hispanic	Male	9	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	406.75
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	28.20
		Female	19	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	391.72
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	182.07
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	11	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	302.50
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	135.38
		Female	14	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	350.23
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	64.44
	Other	Male	26	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	463.54

				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	106.67
		Female	22	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	339.92 108.53
25-44	Hispanic	Male	17	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	216.07 88.50
		Female	30	ambtotpd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma	435.42
				ambfampd	Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	104.62
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	8	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	307.32 133.20
		Female	39	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	663.44 134.14
	Other	Male	53	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	579.98 156.36
		Female	118	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	621.72 133.08

AHRQ MEPS DATA USERS WORKSHOP (LINKING) -- NOV/DEC 2004 Link 2001 Conditions and Event Files Average Expenditures per Person -- Total and Paid by Family

age	RACE/ETHNICITY (EDITED/IMPUTED)	SEX	N Obs	Variable	Label	Mean
45-64	Hispanic	Male	9	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	726.52 282.84
		Female	41	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	711.85 126.06
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	10	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	214.41 40.87
		Female	31	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	916.88 208.04
	Other	Male	74	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	708.01 177.29
		Female	138	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	1027.08 358.86
65-90	Hispanic	Male	3	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	173.38 14.60
		Female	13	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	848.75 277.86
	Black, not Hispanic	Male	10	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	983.85 309.81
		Female	14	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	786.95 121.25
	Other	Male	40	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	1027.72 275.98
		Female	93	ambtotpd ambfampd	Total Paid, Ambulatory Care for Asthma Amt Paid by Fam, Ambul'y Care for Asthma	745.34 362.21