



## **WATRS Criteria to Send Patient Care Reports to the Health Information Exchange**

The criteria are current as of June 12, 2024.

The export criteria are provided for rules on exporting and preventing the premature export of the WATRS Patient Care Reports (PCRs) to Wyoming's Health Information Exchange.

The WATRS PDF is sent to the HIE when the criteria below conditions are met. EMS providers should only sign their PCR when the record of the EMS encounter is completed. Agencies that require more than one crew member to sign the PCR may request a custom validation rule from the OEMS to be added to WATRS.

It is common that the Medical Record Number (MRN) and Encounter Number (EN) may be provided later and can be added when available. Some hospital medical records system(s) may refer to the Encounter Number as the Contact Serial Number (CSN).

The export of the WATRS PCR PDF will occur before the crew member closes the PCR.

The criteria below must be fulfilled to export PCRs from WATRS to Wyoming's Health Information Exchange.

- The patient's last name (ePatient.02) is entered in WATRS. The system relies on the crew to provide the correct spelling.
- The patient's first name (ePatient.03) is entered in WATRS. The system relies on the crew to have the correct spelling.
- The patient's gender (ePatient.13) is entered.
- The patient's date of birth (ePatient.17) is entered in the proper format.
- The WATRS patient care report validity is equal to 100.
- The Unit Notified by Dispatch Date/Time (eTimes.03) is after May 22, 2023.
- Patient Care Reports are in the NEMSIS Version 3.5 EMS Data Standard.
- Transport Disposition (eDisposition.30) is either of the following:
  - Transport by this EMS Unit (This Crew Only)
  - Transport by This EMS Unit, with a Member of Another Crew.
- The External Report Type (eOutcome.03) contains Encounter Number.
  - Sequence note: Enter the Medical Record Number first, then Encounter Number.
- The External Record number (eOutcome.04) is not empty.
- The Destination/Transferred To, Name (eDisposition.01) is not empty.

Agencies may send WATRS patient care reports to the HIE only by substituting a single character, such as a period, in the Medical Record Number and Encounter Number. Important note: using a character in these entry fields does not send the PCR to a receiving hospital or the patient's destination. The agency remains responsible for ensuring the receiving facility receives the PCR.