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Dear Colleague:

Enclosed you will find the HCUP – Project Overview 2012 binder. This annual overview binder is provided as a current source of information regarding all aspects of the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP). Please feel free to share these materials with other members of your data organization.

The contents of this binder are also available on the password-protected Partners Page of the HCUP-US Website. To login, go to <http://www.hcup-us.ahrq.gov/login.jsp>. A username and password are required for access to the HCUP Partners Page. Please contact Kathy Hickey at Thomson Reuters, (805) 979-3728 or Kathy.Hickey@thomsonreuters.com, for more information or to obtain your username and password.

We hope that this Project Overview binder proves to be a valuable resource. If you have any questions regarding the information provided here, please feel free to contact me at (301) 427-1442 or at Jenny.Schnaier@ahrq.hhs.gov. You may also contact Jon Busch, the HCUP Project Manager at Thomson Reuters, at (805) 979-3715 or at Jon.Busch@thomsonreuters.com. We would appreciate any comments or questions you may have about the contents of this binder, and we thank you for your continued support of HCUP.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jenny A. Schnaier".

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