Experimental CPS Health Insurance Questions
February 7, 2008

NOTE: This routine assumes interviewing is being conducted in March, 2008. Three types of outcome variables would be created (all indicated in red):
(1) current: indicates current coverage by plan type
(2) monthly: a set of 12 variables to indicate coverage in each month of 2007 by plan type
(3) year: a yes/no variable to indicate coverage at some point during 2007 (this would replicate the current CPS indicator of coverage "at any time" during the calendar year).

1.   [For Person 1: These next questions are about health insurance coverage. First I'd like to ask you about yourself./For Persons 2+: Next I'd like to ask you about NAME] => CK1

CK1:
•   if 65+ or disabled => 2
•   else go to 3

2.   Are you covered by Medicare?
           ☐ Yes => Medicare loop then => X=14
           ☐ No => 3

3.   Do you have any type of health coverage or health plan?
           ☐ Yes => 7
           ☐ No => 4

4.   Are you covered by Medicaid, [Medicaid state name], [SCHIP state name if appropriate], Medical Assistance, or any other kind of government assistance program that helps pay for health care?
           ☐ Yes => Public Coverage loop => X=14
           ☐ No => CK2

CK2:
•   If Q2 was asked go to Q6
•   else go to Q5

5.   Are you covered by Medicare?
           ☐ Yes => Medicare loop then => X=14
           ☐ No => 6

6.   Are you covered by [this is a place-holder, to be specified after further discussion on plans typically underreported. This is also where we may add state-specific plan names.]?
           ☐ Yes => Public Coverage loop then => X=14
           ☐ No => 15

7.   Is that coverage provided through an employer or union, the government, or some other way?
           PROBE: If this coverage is provided through **employment** with the government or the military, consider that coverage through a job.
           PROBE: "Employer/union" coverage includes coverage from someone's **own** employer or union **as well as** coverage from a spouse's or parent's employer or union. It also includes **former** employers and unions.
           FR: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
           ☐ Employer, union or business (current or former) => Employer loop then => X=CK3
           ☐ Government => 8
           ☐ Other => 13
           AUTHOR NOTE: FOLLOW THE PATH FOR EACH SELECTED RESPONSE CATEGORY, ONE AT A TIME.

CK3:
- If "government" was selected in Q7 go to Q8
- else if "other" was selected in Q7 go to Q13
- else go to Q14

8. Is this coverage related to a **job** with the government?
    ☐ Yes => 10
    ☐ No => 9

9. (ASK OR VERIFY): What type of government plan is it – Medicare, Medicaid or Medical Assistance, [Medicaid state name], [SCHIP state name], military or VA coverage, or something else?
    READ IF NECESSARY: Medicare is for people 65 years old and older or people with certain disabilities; Medicaid is for low-income families, disabled and elderly people who require nursing home care; and [fill SCHIP state name] is for low-income families and children.
    FR: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
    ☐ Medicare => Medicare loop then => X=CK4
    ☐ Medicaid or Medical Assistance or [state Medicaid name] => Public Coverage loop then => X=CK4
    ☐ [SCHIP state name] => Public Coverage loop then => X=CK4
    ☐ Military or VA => 11
    ☐ Other => 12

10. (ASK OR VERIFY): Is this plan related to military service in any way?
    ☐ Yes => 11
    ☐ No => Employer loop then => X=CK4

11. (ASK OR VERIFY): Which plan are you covered by? Is it TRICARE, CHAMPVA, VA, military health care, or something else?
    ☐ TRICARE
    ☐ CHAMPVA
    ☐ VA
    ☐ Military health care
    ☐ Other (specify)
    => Military loop then => X=CK4

12. Is this a government assistance-type plan?
    ☐ Yes => Public Coverage loop then => X=CK4
    ☐ No => Other loop then => X=CK4

CK4:
- if "other" was selected in Q7 go to Q13
- else go to Q14

13. [Earlier you reported coverage through another plan.] How is that coverage provided? Is it through...
    ☐ A parent or other relative => Directly-purchased loop then => X=14
    ☐ A college, university or school => Directly-purchased loop then => X=14
    ☐ Direct purchase from the insurance company or a trade association => Directly-purchased loop then => X=14
    ☐ Or some other way? => Other loop then => X=14
    => 14

14. Other than the plans we have already talked about, are you also covered by any other type of health care or health plan?

       ☐ Yes => [repeat Qs 7-14 until answer to Q14 is "no"]
       ☐ No => 16

15.   OK, I have recorded that you are not covered by any kind of health plan or health care. Is that correct?
       ☐ Yes (not covered) => 16
       ☐ No (covered) => 7

16.   How about during 2007? (Other than the plans we already talked about) Were you covered by any (other) kind of health plan or health care at any time during 2007?
       ☐ Yes => 7-14 loop (but questions should be asked in the past tense)
       ☐ No => CK5

CK5:
•   If there are more household members who have not been asked about yet => CK6
•   else end

CK6:
•   If next person was reported as having coverage (now or during 2007) during the course of any previous person's interview => 17 for Person 2+
•   else => 1for Person 2+

17.   Now I'd like to ask you about [PERSON 2+]. Other than the [plan(s)] coverage you reported earlier, does [PERSON 2+] have any other type of health coverage or health plan?
       ☐ Yes => 7-14 loop
       ☐ No => 16

Note: The "X" in Qs 1-17 and in the plan type loops are not fixed item numbers because the skip depends on which question (1-17) was asked that got the respondent into one of these loops. Refer to the item (1-17) that led the respondent in to the loop in order to determine which item that "X" represents.

Plan Type Loops

Medicare

1.   In what year did that coverage start?
☐ This year (2008) => store Medicare current = Y then => 6
☐ Last year (2007) => store Medicare year = Y then => 3
☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
☐ DK => 2
☐ Refused => 2

2.   Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Medicare current = Y then => 6
☐ DK => store Medicare year = DK and Medicare current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => store Medicare year = REF and Medicare current = Y then => 8

3.   In what month did that coverage start?
☐ Month [1-12] => 4
☐ DK, Not sure => store Medicare year = Y and Medicare current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => store Medicare year = Y and Medicare current = Y then => 8

4.   And was it continuous since then?
☐ Yes =>
• if routed here from Q1 store Medicare in all months 1-12 and Medicare current = Y and Medicare year = Y then => 8;
• if routed here from Q3 store Medicare in months selected in Q3 and Medicare current = Y and Medicare year = Y then => 6
☐ No => 5

5.   In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
☐ Month [1-12] => store Medicare in selected months and Medicare current = Y and Medicare year = Y then => 6
☐ DK, Not sure => if Medicare year not yet filled store Medicare year = DK and Medicare current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => if Medicare year not yet filled store Medicare year = REF and Medicare current = Y then => 8

6.   And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by Medicare?
☐ Yes => 7
☐ No => 8

7.   What months in 2007 were you covered by Medicare?
☐ Month [1-12] => store Medicare in selected months then => 8
☐ DK, Not sure => 8
☐ Refused => 8

8.   Is anyone else within this household also covered by Medicare? [display household roster]
☐ Yes => 9
☐ No => X

9.   Who? (Who else is covered by Medicare)? [display household roster]
=> 10

10.   And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s) then => X
☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X

Public Coverage

Note: "Pubcov" is a placeholder for the type of coverage selected in Q9 (Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP or "other government assistance-type plan" (if "other" was selected in Q9 and Q12 = yes)).

1. In what year did that coverage start?
   ☐ This year (2008) => store Pubcov current = Y then => 6
   ☐ Last year (2007) => store Pubcov year = Y then => 3
   ☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
   ☐ DK => 2
   ☐ Refused => 2

2. Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
   ☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
   ☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Pubcov current = Y then => 6
   ☐ DK => store Pubcov year = DK and Pubcov current = Y then => 8
   ☐ Refused => store Pubcov year = REF and Pubcov current = Y then => 8

3. In what month did that coverage start?
   ☐ Month [1-12] => 4
   ☐ DK, Not sure => store Pubcov year = Y and Pubcov current = Y then => 8
   ☐ Refused => store Pubcov year = Y and Pubcov current = Y then => 8

4. And was it continuous since then?
   ☐ Yes =>
   • if routed here from Q1 store Pubcov in all months 1-12 and Pubcov current = Y and Pubcov year = Y then => 8;
   • if routed here from Q3 store Pubcov in months selected in Q3 and Pubcov current = Y and Pubcov year = Y then => 6
   ☐ No => 5

5. In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
   ☐ Month [1-12] => store Pubcov in selected months and Pubcov current = Y and Pubcov year = Y then => 6
   ☐ DK, Not sure => if Pubcov year not yet filled store Pubcov year = DK and Pubcov current = Y then => 8
   ☐ Refused => if Pubcov year not yet filled store Pubcov year = REF and Pubcov current = Y then => 8

6. And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by [fill Pubcov plan type]?
   ☐ Yes => 7
   ☐ No => 8

7. What months in 2007 were you covered by [fill Pubcov plan type]?
   ☐ Month [1-12] => store Pubcov in selected months then => 8
   ☐ DK, Not sure => 8
   ☐ Refused => 8

8. Is anyone else within this household also covered by [fill Pubcov plan type]? [display household roster]
   ☐ Yes => 9
   ☐ No => X

9. Who? (Who else is covered by [fill Pubcov plan type])? [display household roster]
   => 10

10. And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
    ☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s) then => X
    ☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X

Employer-sponsored Coverage

1. In what year did that coverage start?
   FR NOTE: By "that coverage" we mean any coverage through an employer. If the respondent switched

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plans that his/her employer offered, or even changed employers, we still consider this all the same coverage.
☐ This year (2008) => store Employer current = Y then => 6
☐ Last year (2007) => store Employer year = Y then => 3
☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
☐ DK => 2
☐ Refused => 2

2. Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Employer current = Y then => 6
☐ DK => store Employer year = DK and Employer current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => store Employer year = REF and Employer current = Y then => 8

3. In what month did that coverage start?
☐ Month [1-12] => 4
☐ DK, Not sure => store Employer year = Y and Employer current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => store Employer year = Y and Employer current = Y then => 8

4. And was it continuous since then?
☐ Yes =>
   • if routed here from Q1 store Employer in all months 1-12 and Employer current = Y and Employer year = Y then => 8;
   • if routed here from Q3 store Employer in months selected in Q3 and Employer current = Y and Employer year = Y then => 6
☐ No => 5

5. In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
☐ Month [1-12] => store Employer in selected months and Employer current = Y and Employer year = Y then => 6
☐ DK, Not sure => if Employer year not yet filled store Employer year = DK and Employer current = Y then => 8
☐ Refused => if Employer year not yet filled store Employer year = REF and Employer current = Y then => 8

6. And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by an employer-sponsored health plan?
☐ Yes => 7
☐ No => 8

7. What months in 2007 were you covered by an employer-sponsored health plan?
☐ Month [1-12] => store Employer in selected months then => 8
☐ DK, Not sure => 8
☐ Refused => 8

8. Is anyone else within this household also covered by [if routed from Q4 fill: that employer-sponsored plan/if routed from Q5,6 or 7 fill: the same employer-sponsored health plan that you are now covered by]? [display household roster]
☐ Yes => 9
☐ No => X

9. Who? (Who else is covered by that employer-sponsored plan)? [display household roster]
=> 10

10. And who is the policyholder? [display household roster; include response category for "Someone outside household"]
   • store Employer-sponsored policyholder for person selected
   • store Employer-sponsored dependent for person(s) selected in Q9 but not selected in Q10

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=> X

11. And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s) then => X
☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X

Directly-Purchased Coverage

1.   In what year did that coverage start?
        FR NOTE: By "that coverage" we mean any coverage directly purchased from an insurance company. If the respondent switched plans but they were all purchased directly, we still consider this the same coverage.
        ☐ This year (2008) => store Direct current = Y then => 6
        ☐ Last year (2007) => store Direct year = Y then => 3
        ☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
        ☐ DK => 2
        ☐ Refused => 2

2.   Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
        ☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
        ☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Direct current = Y then => 6
        ☐ DK => store Direct year = DK and Direct current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => store Direct year = REF and Direct current = Y then => 8

3.   In what month did that coverage start?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => 4
        ☐ DK, Not sure => store Direct year = Y and Direct current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => store Direct year = Y and Direct current = Y then => 8

4.   And was it continuous since then?
        ☐ Yes =>
        •   if routed here from Q1 store Direct in all months 1-12 and Direct current = Y and Direct year = Y then => 8;
        •   if routed here from Q3 store Direct in months selected in Q3 and Direct current = Y and Direct year = Y then => 6
        ☐ No => 5

5.   In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => store Direct in selected months and Direct current = Y and Direct year = Y then => 6
        ☐ DK, Not sure => if Direct year not yet filled store Direct year = DK and Direct current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => if Direct year not yet filled store Direct year = REF and Direct current = Y then => 8

6.   And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by a plan purchased directly from the insurance company?
        ☐ Yes => 7
        ☐ No => 8

7.   What months in 2007 were you covered by a plan purchased directly from the insurance company?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => store Direct in selected months then => 8
        ☐ DK, Not sure => 8
        ☐ Refused => 8

8.   Is anyone else within this household also covered by [if routed from Q4 fill: that directly-purchased plan/if routed from Q5,6 or 7 fill: the same directly-purchased health plan that you are now covered by]? [display household roster]
        ☐ Yes => 9
        ☐ No => X

9.   Who? (Who else is covered by that directly-purchased plan)? [display household roster]
        => 10

10.   And who is the policyholder? [display household roster; include response category for "Someone outside household"]
        •   store Direct-purchased policyholder for person selected
        •   store Direct-purchased dependent for person(s) selected in Q9 but not selected in Q10
        => X

11. And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s) then => X
☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X

Military Coverage

1.   In what year did that coverage start?
      FR NOTE: By "that coverage" we mean any coverage through the military. If the respondent switched
      plans offered by the military we still consider this all the same coverage.
      ☐ This year (2008) => store Military current = Y then => 6
      ☐ Last year (2007) => store Military year = Y then => 3
      ☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
      ☐ DK => 2
      ☐ Refused => 2

2.   Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
      ☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
      ☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Military current = Y then => 6
      ☐ DK => store Military year = DK and Military current = Y then => 8
      ☐ Refused => store Military year = REF and Military current = Y then => 8

3.   In what month did that coverage start?
      ☐ Month [1-12] => 4
      ☐ DK, Not sure => store Military year = Y and Military current = Y then => 8
      ☐ Refused => store Military year = Y and Military current = Y then => 8

4.   And was it continuous since then?
      ☐ Yes =>
      •   if routed here from Q1 store Military in all months 1-12 and Military current = Y and Military year
             = Y then => 8;
      •   if routed here from Q3 store Military in months selected in Q3 and Military current = Y and
             Military year = Y then => 6
      ☐ No => 5

5.   In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
      ☐ Month [1-12] => store Military in selected months and Military current = Y and Military year = Y then
      => 6
      ☐ DK, Not sure => if Military year not yet filled store Military year = DK and Military current = Y then =>
      8
      ☐ Refused => if Military year not yet filled store Military year = REF and Military current = Y then => 8

6.   And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by a military plan?
      ☐ Yes => 7
      ☐ No => 8

7.   What months in 2007 were you covered by a military plan?
      ☐ Month [1-12] => store Military in selected months then => 8
      ☐ DK, Not sure => 8
      ☐ Refused => 8

8.   Is anyone else within this household also covered by a military plan? [display household roster]
      ☐ Yes => 9
      ☐ No => X

9.   Who? (Who else is covered by a military plan)? [display household roster]
      => 10

10.   And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
      ☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s)
      then => X
      ☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X

Other Coverage

1.   In what year did that coverage start?
        ☐ This year (2008) => store Other current = Y then => 6
        ☐ Last year (2007) => store Other year = Y then => 3
        ☐ Before last year (2006 or before) => 4
        ☐ DK => 2
        ☐ Refused => 2

2.   Was it before or after the new year (that is, before or after January 1, 2008)?
        ☐ Before January 1, 2008 => 3
        ☐ On or after January 1, 2008 => store Other current = Y then => 6
        ☐ DK => store Other year = DK and Other current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => store Other year = REF and Other current = Y then => 8

3.   In what month did that coverage start?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => 4
        ☐ DK, Not sure => store Other year = Y and Other current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => store Other year = Y and Other current = Y then => 8

4.   And was it continuous since then?
        ☐ Yes =>
        •   if routed here from Q1 store Other in all months 1-12 and Other current = Y and Other year = Y
                then => 8;
        •   if routed here from Q3 store Other in months selected in Q3 and Other current = Y and Other year
                = Y then => 6
        ☐ No => 5

5.   In what month did this most recent spell of coverage start?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => store Other in selected months and Other current = Y and Other year = Y then => 6
        ☐ DK, Not sure => if Other year not yet filled store Other year = DK and Other current = Y then => 8
        ☐ Refused => if Other year not yet filled store Other year = REF and Other current = Y then => 8

6.   And were there any other months in 2007 that you were covered by some other plan?
        ☐ Yes => 7
        ☐ No => 8

7.   What months in 2007 were you covered by some other?
        ☐ Month [1-12] => store Other in selected months then => 8
        ☐ DK, Not sure => 8
        ☐ Refused => 8

8.   Is anyone else within this household also covered by [if routed from Q4 fill: that other/if routed from Q5,6
or 7 fill: the same health plan that you are now covered by]? [display household roster]
        ☐ Yes => 9
        ☐ No => X

9.   Who? (Who else is covered by that other plan)? [display household roster]
        => 10

10.   And [was NAME/were NAMES] covered during the same time period as you were?
        ☐ Yes, all were covered during same time => store respondent's coverage indicators in NAME(S) record(s)
        then => X
        ☐ No => ask Q1-7 for each person selected in Q9 then => X