

# Memo

To: LodeStar Users  
From: LodeStar Technical Support  
Date: January 28, 2010  
Re: **LodeStar Version 10.5 Update**

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**NOTE:** Please pass this memo to anyone in your agency who needs this update information.

**WARNING:** IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY RUNNING LODESTAR VERSION 10.4 or higher (AS INDICATED AT THE TOP OF THE LODESTAR SCREEN), PLEASE CALL LODESTAR TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT (707) 895-2510 BEFORE PROCEEDING.

**IMPORTANT:** LODESTAR IS NOW UPDATED VIA INTERNET. THE NEW VERSION IS DOWNLOADED AFTER YOU TRANSMIT DATA. AS ALWAYS, MAKE SURE ANY OTHER USERS ARE OUT OF LODESTAR DURING THIS PROCESS.

## To Download and Install This Update

- When you transmit your data, LodeStar will automatically check to see if there is a new version of LodeStar available. If so, when your transmission is complete, you will receive a message saying "There is a new version of Lodestar available, would you like to download?"
- Click Yes. Lodestar will download the new version and install it automatically. When the update is complete you will see the new version listed in the upper toolbar.
- If you receive an error message, click Cancel, open your LodeStar Updater icon and run the update from there. If you have any problems with this please call our technical support line at 707-895-2510
- As always, please do not hesitate to call our technical support line if you have *any* questions.

**IMPORTANT:** For network users of LodeStar: If the LodeStar program resides on your local hard drive you must first update one computer which has internet access, then use the Updater icon on **EACH** computer that runs LodeStar on the network to update each computer. If the program resides on the network drive, you only need to update **ONCE** from any LodeStar computer.

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## What's New in This Version...

- 1. New and revised data items on the Client Identification and Update form, Intake, Pregnancy Outcome, Follow-up and Education forms are included in this update. Please make sure you are using the new forms. New data items are as follows**

| <u>New Data Items</u>                                     | <u>Forms item found in</u>     |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Index Child Gender (Added text version)                   | IN, PO, AddChMtrx              |
| Graduation Date   | ID, ED                         |
| Entering the date on the Education form will update       | this item on the Client screen |
| Client primary language                                   | IN                             |
| Has client ever had an IEP                                | IN, PO, FU, ED                 |
| Has client passed High School Exit Exam?                  | IN, PO, FU, ED                 |
| Health Insurance Type                                     | IN, PO, FU                     |
| Immunizations – Client                                    | IN, PO, FU                     |
| Medical Condition – Client                                | IN, PO, FU                     |
| Developmental Disability - Client                         | IN, PO, FU                     |
| Does <u>client</u> have a learning disability?            | IN, PO, FU                     |
| Risk Factors: Relationship/Domestic Violence              | IN, PO, FU                     |
| All Risk Factors ask <u>Ever</u> and <u>Last 6 months</u> | IN, PO, FU                     |

- 2. A few data items have new answers**

|                          |   |                |
|--------------------------|---|----------------|
| Last grade completed     | 12 now says 12 <sup>th</sup> instead of Diploma | IN, PO, FU, ED |
| Type of school           | 10 Charter School                               | IN, PO, FU, ED |
| Type of Housing          | 8 includes Transitional with Foster and Group   | IN, PO, FU     |
| Contraception Type       | 12 Other__ changed to code 77                   | IN, FU         |
|                          | 13 Patch  | IN, FU         |
|                          | 14 Nuva Ring                                    | IN, FU         |
|                          | 15 Female Condom                                | IN, FU         |
|                          | 33 Emergency                                    | IN, FU         |
|                          | 44 Sterilization                                | IN, FU         |
|                          | 66 Pregnant                                     | IN, FU         |
| Risk: Abuse: Emotl:Child | 8 N/A   | IN, PO, FU     |
| Risk: Abuse: Phys: Child | 8 N/A   | IN, PO, FU     |
| Risk: Abuse: Sex:Child   | 8 N/A   | IN, PO, FU     |

- 3. The new and revised data items have been added to the Ad Hoc reports with text versions in addition to code versions where appropriate.**
- 4. Several data items were deleted from the forms. They are marked OBS for obsolete in the Ad Hoc data items list and no longer show on reports.**
- 5. Caseload Analysis has a new column showing waitlisted clients for each case manager.**
- 6. You can now choose to print the Stat 45 detail report with or without the clients' Social Security number.**
- 7. You can now print Ad Hoc reports using school names as well as codes.**

**LodeStar version 10.5 also corrects several small bugs. The problems being corrected are as follows (our thanks again to all who drew our attention to them!)**

1. Fixed a bug that made it impossible to find percentages for many data items in Ad Hoc reports when text versions of the data items were chosen.
2. Fixed a bug which caused Lodestar to lock everyone out saying it had been locked by a certain user.
3. Corrects the problem that caused some of the Text versions in the Ad Hoc reports to simply show codes.
4. Fixed the bug that prevented a status change from AFLP WL inactive to Cal Learn Deferred – no case management.
5. Fixed the problem that could make the Contact Summary Report show nothing.
6. Various other minor behind the scenes bugs were found and squashed.

**As always, feel free to call us with any questions, comments or problems at:  
(707) 895-2510.**

**Happy New Year from all of us!**