



APCD Council Learning Network Meeting Notes September 19, 2016

Agenda

1. State Updates
2. Payer Updates
3. Vendor Updates
4. Researcher
5. APCD Council Updates
 - a. Post-*Gobeille* Strategy Update
 - b. NAHDO Meeting

Attendees

Jo Porter, Ashley Peters, Amy Costello (UNH, APCD Council); Emily Sullivan (NAHDO, APCD Council); Naing Aung (Verscend); Jenn Baarson (Minnesota); Linda Bartnyska, Ken Yeates-Trotman (Maryland, MHCC); Denyse Bayer (Cigna); Lauren Benbow (North Carolina); Kevin Bergen (Cardinal Health); Tanya Bernstein, John Freedman (Freedman Healthcare); April Blazuk, Richard Dooley, Peter Soifer (Aetna); John Bock (Optum); Majid Boroujerdi; Dianne Bricker (AHIP); May Brock, Bill Cisco (Tennessee); Ellen Bunting, Susan Stephan (Michigan); Kristine Burnaska, Sarah Vermeland (HCCI); Lesia Carter, Jennifer Wessel (Arkansas); Jenna Cirimele, Susan Roughton (Health Grades); Eric DeWitt, Jodi Escalante, Nitesh Patel, Valerie Vold (3M); Tracie Gray (Pennsylvania Insurance Department); Michele Filoon, Ali Russo (Fair Health); Emilio Galan (UCSF); Richard Glucksman (BCBS RI); Karynlee Harrington (Maine, MHDO); Alfred Herrera (Hawaii); Kathy Hines (Massachusetts, CHIA); Stephanie Kuhn (Virginia, VHI); Judy Loren (Compass Analytics); Patrick Quinn (Onpoint Health Data); Martha McLeod, Maureen Mustard (New Hampshire Insurance Department); Jennifer Miller (Florida); Thea Mounts, Mandy Stahre (Washington); Roger Panella (Greater Detroit Area Health Council); David Pittman (Zenith American); Al Prysunka (Milliman); Joseph Reilly (PHC4); Toni Slightam (Oregon); Roger Tubby (Vermont, GMCB); Sheryl Turney (Healthcore); Fracis Volz (United Health Care); Ted Von Glahn; Leticia Ward (Wellcare); Thomas White (CDPHP); James Zuercher (Pinpoint MD)

State Updates

Arkansas (Lesia) – 9/30 first submission (group 3), revising 2017 DSG, will be getting 2016 historical data from a few carriers

Florida (Beth Eastman) – Tentatively releasing IPN to contract with a vendor to work on an APCD.



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Maryland (Ken Yeates-Trotman/Linda Bartnyska) – In final stages of Q12016 of data completion although are having some epayers with issues around data submission. 2015 data should be available by November 1st.

Massachusetts (Kathy Hines) – Released 5.0 data (through 21015 with 3 months run out) - now including pharmacy claims versioning. Working on common data layout with APCD Council and other states, working on division of insurance membership reports among other reports.

Minnesota (Leslie Goldsmith) – Have released first set of public use files (services (CPT and revenue codes), diagnosis, utilization files), reaching out to people that have requested files and receiving feedback on how they have used the files and what additional information they would want in the PUFs.

New Hampshire (Maureen Mustard) – Received 2015 extract from Milliman. Moved into formal rule making for opt-in form for self-funded ERISA (will go into effect in October 2016).

North Carolina (Lauren Benbow) – Question - Are there any states that have or are planning to combine an APCD and HIE? Vermont.

Oregon (Toni Slightam) – Implementing new validation plan (5 level) levels 1 and 2 are preprocessing from payers; level 3 post-payer processing report (payers review what's in database); 4th level (January 2017) – compare APCD database to other databases in OR (vital statistics, HDD, etc.) for alignment; 5th level user guide- statistics about the data, currently being implemented.

Pennsylvania (Joe Reilly) – working collaboratively with Pennsylvania Insurance Department on an implementation plan to potential develop an APCD (with APCD Council!). Working within current legislative using public data sources (CMS and PA Medicaid agency).

Vermont (Roger Tubby) – Received no bidders for RFP development of public release file; next steps will be to release RFI or re-release the RFP or release with a future RFP. There is no PUF in VT, however, it is required.

Virginia (Kyle Russell) – Working on healthcare pricing report – will average commercial allowed amount, region, types of cost – using 2015 data- will be presenting data in October with publication shortly after. Working on phase 2 of QE application and state research request.

Washington (Mandy/Thea Mounts) – Selected Center for Health System Effectiveness (OR) and Onpoint as data vendor; in the midst of contract negotiations. Working on data release, etc. rules.

Payer/Vendor/Researcher Updates



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HealthCore (Sheryl Turney) – Working on Common Data Layout and revised rule in NY (comments due in October). Working with other states around clarifications on ERISA ruling re: whether or not some states are operating as health oversight agencies. Updating extracts to filter fields out based on ERISA.

Freedman Healthcare (John Freedman/Tanya Bernstein) – Freedman will be submitting a letter to DOL re NPRM by October 4th. AR MD OR RI – working with collecting data on alternative payment; in RI, effectively reaching out to large self-funded plans around still submitting data to APCD (50% success rate).

WellCare (Leticia Ward) - Submit to 9 APAC states – 3 (CT, AR, TN) have been implemented.

APCD Council Updates

- *Post-Gobeille* Strategy Update
 - DOL NPRM Comments - Over the past quarter, the APCD Council leadership team has been working on developing comments to the NPRM released by DOL due on October 4th. We are finalizing comments and will distribute final comments as well as a state template through the Learning Network.
- NAHDO Meeting – October 26 – 28th in Minneapolis, MN. Call out for sponsorship and exhibitors. https://www.nahdo.org/annual_conference
 - Discounted room rate through September 30th (states receive an extra discount)
 - There will be multiple opportunities for network, however, Wednesday (10/26) there is a NAHDO planned networking event.
- Upcoming Dates
 - DOL NPRM Comments Due – October 4th
 - Next State Call – October 17th at 2PM ET
 - NAHDO Conference – October 26 – 28th, Minneapolis, MN
 - Next Learning Network Call – December 19th at 2PM ET

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