Provider Identification in the Colorado APCD

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Why is this Important?

• Support the public reporting of comparative cost and quality information on a named facility and physician group basis – “Consumer Portal”
  – Requires a unified Master Provider Index (MPI)
  – Also requires PCP patient attribution

• Support performance measurement and reporting to physician practice groups
  – Practice specific cost and quality information
  – Facilitate comparisons to state, regional and peer group benchmarks
  – Help practices to identify opportunities to improve care and bend the cost curve
Difficulties and Challenges

- Encountered in developing a unified Master Provider Index (MPI)
  - The CO APCD receives monthly data submissions from 16 commercial plans and the state Medicaid agency
  - Mergers, legacy claims processing systems, etc.
  - Inconsistent facility/provider group naming conventions
  - Missing data
    - Tax ID
    - NPI
    - State license number
What We’ve Done

• Work collaboratively with payers to improve the quality and completeness of claims data submissions
• Data Submission Guide – added required data fields
• Leverage additional data sources
  – State licensing information/lists
  – Colorado Associations – CHA, CASCA, CMS, etc.
• Work closely with Treo Solutions and Enclarity
• Develop processes for incorporating Local Knowledge in developing and validating the MPI
• Not “there” yet, but getting better!