



APCD Council Learning Network Meeting Notes

June 18, 2018

State Updates

WHIO (Jim Auron) – Preparing to announce technical upgrade to WHIO's system. RFP responses evaluated last fall, vendor contract with Symphony Care. Vendor will assist with data becoming centralized at WHIO. Moving out of Optum platform. Data acquisition process will remain the same.

CA OHPD (Starla Ledbetter) – Convening a review committee and report to the legislature by summer 2020. APCD operational by 2023.

AR (Kenley, Lesia) – Publishing pricing information by July 1. Hoping for many more data requests because of this! Working on automation of validation process (woohoo!).

NH (Maureen Mustard) – [NH legislature approved APCD to be used for network adequacy](#); first in the country! NH HealthCost website data being refreshed in July; guide to health insurance being updated, too.

MA (Sylvia) – MA changed regulations to allow researchers to apply for reports in response to concerns from researchers around limitations of just obtaining the data and doing their own analysis. <https://masscomparecare.gov/> Mass Compare website.

TX (Bruce) – No APCD in TX, yet. Collecting claims from providers. TX is in discussion around collecting costs.

OR (Karen) – OR has had to cut back on summarized datasets. Using Tableau to create interactive reports to be published in late 2018. Working on strategic planning. Working to track internal use of APAC data.

VT (Kathryn) – Research projects focused on ways to enhance VHCURES specific to opportunities around regulatory work of GMCB (rate review, certificate of need). Revising rule around data governance; data governance council is up and running again (7 member subcommittee of GMCB). Releasing RFP in September 2018, new vendor onboarded by March 2019.

WV (Tanya, Chris) – APCD legislation passed several years ago. Collecting Medicaid and working on acquiring public employee data-this is as far as WV has progressed with their APCD efforts.

WA (Thea) – Within the next two weeks, the WA Healthcare Compare website will launch! Main functions (1) consumer facing cost and quality information for 80 procedures, (2) state common measure set. By end of July 2018, will be opening up data enclave, supported by Onpoint Health Data. Cloud-based technology via web-based portal.



DE (Jan) – Statute authorizing DHIN to build a health care claims database (HCCD) in 2016. Medicaid MCOs, state employee group health plans, qualified health plans on exchange. DHIN has published regulatory docs including data submission guide, request for data access, etc. Executed data submission and use contracts with payers. Developed technical proof of concept for system to accommodate claims data into clinical system; currently looking for software tools. Statute did not include a funding source.

MN (Karl) – State legislative session just ended; sunset date extended from 2019 to 2023. MN rules need to be updated to support fixing some current data quality issues. Current vendor contract ends February 2019, will need to onboard a new vendor early next year. Using SAS VA.

ME (Karynlee) – MHDO Board approved development of RFP to acquire an analytic platform for episode grouping and quality analysis to support [CompareMaine website](#), as a value add to approved data users. Released RFP to update MHDO website. Adding infusion therapy to CompareMaine website. New pharmacy legislation impacting pharmacy claims data collection. Creating a ‘clean’ raw data set for approved users that will be closer to analytic ready (for both claims and facility data).

Vendor Updates

HSRI (Leanne) – Excited to be working with MHDO, CIVHC (working on interactive public dashboards), NH (updating NH HealthCost website)

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NYS has written research protocol – IRB approved - for SAMHSA part 2 data.

[NAHDO Meeting](#) – Deer Valley, Utah – October 10 – 12. Working on group travel discounts.

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