



**Monthly Meeting Agenda**  
**July 27, 2009**  
**2-3pm**

**Attendees:**

Dian Kahn (VT), Denise Love (NAHDO), Craig Schneider (MHDC), Annette Gabel (Medco), Tyler Brannen (NH), Brooks Daverman (TN), Kevan Edwards (MN), Bruce Boissonnault (NY), Mike Thiry (FL), Linda Green (MA), Keely Cofrin Allen (UT), Jeffery Ross (VT), Al Prysunka (ME), Jim Harrison (MHIC), Lalita Pulavarti (MA)

**Updates from States:**

NH – NH hosted the annual carrier meeting which focused largely on the updated administrative rules, and rule changes; it was well-attended (~40 people); changes will be implemented January 1, 2010. With new legislation, NH will now be collecting professional data on uninsured from hospital and hospital-owned providers.

ME – Maine is still trying to get Tricare data – nothing developed yet. Rule changes for existing data collection will go into effect next January.

There continues to be further analysis of NPI problem, and the blending of service and billing information; letters to payers with summary of issues related to NPI will be going out this week.

MA – Ma has begun to receive claims directly from carriers (no longer through third party). The existing Council website will be updated sometime next year; MA Health Quality Partners developed and meeting agendas and materials will be posted to the website.

Question about multiple eligibility files with different data sets – how to use for longitudinal studies if ID systems are all different - does anyone have experience with this problem? Suggestion to treat them as separate payers and/or build a table with master number from all of the different data elements

TN – TN is in process of setting up selection process for vendor; helpful to talk with other states and explore options for how to house data when it arrives.

UT – Utah is receiving files and testing files; they have X12 up; and running linkage software on test files. Administrative rule is in AG office; go live September 15 with claims data from UHIN (HIE in UT). Intend to develop enrollment and Rx in flat files from UHIN, depending on size and structure; then to Care Advantage in NJ for input into 3M software; and analysis will be ready for reporting for legislative session in late January.

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MN – Forging ahead with expert committee for reporting on cost and quality measures; progressing with expert stakeholder meetings (sixth of nine scheduled for today)- stakeholders are developing methodology for provider quality and cost measures - interim report due in August; Rules passed and signed – adopted; payers are registering with MHIC and providing test files; then MN will be ready to seek analytical vendor to run methodology being developed by experts.

VT – On cusp of consolidated data file for 2007-08 – data collection moving right ahead; provider linkage is challenging (no funding for NPI); seeking interagency support for provider linkage; separate eligibility and claims files (medical, mental, pharmacy) for state employees – presenting a challenge; working with MHIC to see what can be developed for public reporting – health care and cost linkage for PMPM; working with Medical Home pilot to have eligibility files flagged by payers for tracking in Medical Home pilot in Vermont.

NY – Large health insurers and smaller insurers collaboration is farther along; several health insurers have access; next step is to entice the State to participate further; State does not currently have access to the data; that access is in the works (with hope that Medicaid will participate and submit data too)

FL – Listening and learning

(NAHDO) OR – writing rules now

## **Updates from Payers:**

None

## **AHRQ contract Update:**

May 6 meeting notes are available on the RAPHIC website,  
[http://www.raphic.org/pdf/052009\\_Stakeholders\\_%20Meeting\\_%20Minutes\\_%20Final.pdf](http://www.raphic.org/pdf/052009_Stakeholders_%20Meeting_%20Minutes_%20Final.pdf)

Next meeting with May 6 participants will be held on July 30.

## **Dental claims collection in NH:**

Most insurance laws do not apply to Delta Dental in NH. NH will introduce legislation to address that.

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## **Other:**

Fundraising for NAHDO October 14 meeting APCD session – NAHDO will know in August if that support will go through. Denise encouraged RAPHIC attendees to register and will work with the group to address funding issues and keep the group posted.

Academy Health and Robert Wood Johnson State Coverage Initiative – fall conference perhaps for state APCD conference – schedule conflict with NAHDO APCD session – Denise will call AH to explore teaming up for single APCD session.

MHDC will be hosting MA-focused APCD session on December 1 – Craig will keep group informed.

Econometrica – AHRQ issued task order to Econometrica and subcontract to NAHDO and RAPHIC; starts on workplan to update information about current status of APCD and use of tools for APCD data.

Planning for resubmission to AHRQ for conference grant (R13)– date/cycle to be determined.