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## ***Monthly Meeting Agenda April 26, 2010, 2-3pm***

### ***Attendees:***

Denise Love (NAHDO), Patrick Miller (RAPHIC), Jo Porter (RAPHIC), Amy Costello (RAPHIC), Linda (Larry Monroe, MD), Rosemary Teagarden (Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare), Sioban McCoy (Enclarity), Emily Sullivan (NAHDO), Jeremiah Samples (WV), Linda Green (MA), Chris Ross (Bartholow, WI), Jeff Wilson (Milliman), Keely Cofrin-Allen (UT), Bruce Boissonault (Niagara), Tom Bell (Mathemactica), Katherine Pelletreau (Maine Health Plans), Dave Phillips (VT), Al Pysunka (Maine), Brooks Daverman (TN), Sue Berger (Humana), (Onpoint Health Data)

### ***Updates from States:***

#### **UTAH**

Close to 2<sup>nd</sup> phase pilot with all major payers, not Medicaid, will allow present software with different plans; geocoding claims data to compare with BRFSS with University in Utah; reporting subcommittee for Utah Atlas; present to health reform task force

#### **WISCONSIN**

2.7 million lives (of 5.8 million total population) now in APC datamart; reviewing results of data with speciality groups; Medicaid just got added

#### **NEW YORK**

Nothing to report, seeking funding

#### **MARYLAND**

New regulations recently official; will add institutional claims and eligibility record (will be collected next year); trying to firm up unique patient id to id across payers; lots of communications from AHIP – wondering if others hearing from AHIP too; wondering about point of origin – going into effect in July; January 2011 “point of origin” change n collection of ED data

#### **WEST VIRGINIA**

Updating cost comparison tool for consumers (Medicaid and state employee population as source of data), <http://www.comparecarewv.gov/guide.aspx>; considering master patient index; question about overlaying clinical information for meaningful use data;

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## **TENNESSEE**

Starting submission in May; deadline for test data is June 1; working with committee to define top priorities for reporting

## **VERMONT**

Finalizing 2009 data for paid claims; standard report series from 2007-2009 will be released in July or August; working with Onpoint for evaluation model for Blueprint; preparing 2007-08 dataset for public use or limited use – has been approved by department.

## **MASSACHUSETTS**

Released expanded data regulations which build on experience with healthcare quality commercial data to include Medicaid and Medicare, self-pay and self-insured group; working with Medicaid staff to address HIPAA concerns; and applying for Medicare through RESDAC; May 17 public hearings for proposed regulations:

[http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2modulechunk&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Government&L2=Departments+and+Divisions&L3=Division+of+Health+Care+Finance+%26+Policy&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dhcfp\\_government\\_regs\\_related\\_pubs&csid=Eeohhs2](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2modulechunk&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Government&L2=Departments+and+Divisions&L3=Division+of+Health+Care+Finance+%26+Policy&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dhcfp_government_regs_related_pubs&csid=Eeohhs2)

## **MAINE**

Modifying database to include data added last year (live in Feb); as a result of legislation, working with payers then providers to attempt to resolve problems with inaccurate provider info (service versus billing provider), and will report back to legislature by Nov 2010. Received approval for 2008 Medicare data; approved extension of data use; had to remap all the files because Medicare restructured the data; AI is willing to share the crosswalk/mapping to new data structure when it is created.

## ***Updates from Payers:***

### **HARVARD PILGRIM**

2010 changes have been made; working on servicing provider solution next

## ***Updates from Data Organizations:***

AI Prysunka noted that he has been participating on NCPDP calls, and it has been a really great process; NCPDP has been working together with representatives from pharmaceutical industry as well as APCD states to develop a standardized data set for pharmacy claims; AI would like to see this process replicated for medical claims.

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## **ONPOINT HEALTH DATA**

Automated upload process – want to test the process, if anyone interested, please contact:  
[tdenowksi@onpointhealthdata.org](mailto:tdenowksi@onpointhealthdata.org)

## **MATHEMATICA**

Working with Minnesota on analytics

## **RAPHIC/NAHDO**

- Received grant from Commonwealth Fund to develop tool-kit/resource site for technical implementation of APCD; will be working with states to package solutions and lessons learned
- Partnering with AH State Coverage Initiative for October NAHDO annual meeting for APCD workshops for state and stakeholders; need feedback on the working agenda, [http://www.raphic.org/pdf/APCD\\_Draft\\_Agenda\\_Combined\\_4-20-10.pdf](http://www.raphic.org/pdf/APCD_Draft_Agenda_Combined_4-20-10.pdf); there may be an opportunity to have different tracts (new states in one, current states in another); please send comments about draft agenda to [dlove@nahdo.org](mailto:dlove@nahdo.org).
- Academy Health APCD paper to be released soon; NAHDO and RAPHIC are starting to work on next report for AH.
- Update about Standardization Stakeholders Meeting on March 25 at AHIP: there is still consensus that standardization is imperative; need to identify resources to implement the standardization plan (plan updated in April 2010); progress towards standardization includes the summary of common data elements across six APCD states and the NCPDPD work. In anticipation of funding of the standardization plan, Amy (RAPHIC) is getting involved in NUBC, NUCC, X12; Amy will be attending X12 in June.

## **Other Issues for Discussion during Future RAPHIC Meetings:**

- Sustainability
- Master patient index
- Provider – service and billing
- Urgent care setting billed as Emergency department
- Reports and how they are created
- Quality of claims data... for example, in face of evaluation of ACO, rules are not clear or uniform, and how to price encounters, etc.
- What are the other hopes and dreams for APCD – will transparency make the costs come down and how do APCD data answer that?

***Next meeting date: May 24, 2010 at 2:00***