



HB 10-1332 Colorado Medical Clean Claims Transparency and Uniformity Act Task Force

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date:	August 27, 2014; noon – 2 PM MDT
Call-In Number:	1-866-740-1260; ID 8586318#
Web Link:	https://cc.readytalk.com/r/4htg5x1ft22k&eom

I. Housekeeping Items:

- a. Approve June 2014 meeting minutes (**Attachment A**)
- b. Proposed changes to remaining 2014 meeting schedule:
 - September onsite meeting **changed to conference call on September 24 (12:00 – 2:00 PM)**
 - October conference call **changed to an in-person meeting on October 21 & 22**
 - Conference call to be **scheduled on November 19 (12:00 – 2:00 PM)**

II. Committee Reports:

- a. Specialty Society
- b. Edit Evaluation Team
- c. Data Sustaining Repository (DSR) Committee
 - Proposal for a permanent entity (**Attachment B**) – to be sent separately prior to meeting

III. Level Setting & Strategic Planning

IV. Public Comment

Upcoming Task Force Meetings

Date(s)	Time (Mountain Time)	Meeting Type
September 24	12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Conference Call
October 21 & 22	Tue: 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM Wed: 7:30 AM – 2:00 PM	In-Person Quarterly Meeting
November 19	12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Conference Call
December 17	12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Conference Call

*Red font indicates a recently updated event

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HB10_1332 MEDICAL CLEAN CLAIMS TRANSPARENCY AND UNIFORMITY ACT TASK FORCE

Meeting Minutes
 June 24 & 25, 2014
 Call-in Number: 1-866-740-1260
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Attendees:

- Alice Bynum-Gardner
- Amy Hodges
- Anita Shabazz
- Barry Keene
- Beth Kujawski
- Beth Wright
- Christine Yoder
- Dee Cole
- Douglas Moeller, MD
- James Borgstede, MD
- Kathy McCreary
- Kim Davis
- Marianne Finke
- Marie Mindeman
- Marilyn Rissmiller, CC
- Mark Painter, CC
- Nancy Steinke
- Ruth Backlund
- Terrence Cunningham
- Wendi Healy

Staff :

- Connor Holzkamp, Admin
- Vatsala Pathy, Project Manager

Public:

- Allison Hirschorn (ASCO)
- Ana Maria Bustos (AAD)
- Anne Diamond (ACOG)
- Carrie Winter (AANEM)
- David Hitzeman, DO (AOA)
- David Kanter, MD (AAP)
- Diane Hayek (ACR)
- Erin Young (ASTRO)
- Frank Chae, MD (ASMBS)
- Gregory N. Nicola, MD (ASNR)
- Janet McCauley, MD (ACOG)
- Jeff Giullan, MD (RPA)
- Joanne Willer (AAOS)
- John Lanza (AAO-HNS)
- Rachel Myslinski (Rheumatology)
- Starla H. Tanner (Rheumatology)
- Stephanie Stinchcomb (AUA)
- Suzanne Hamilton (CSOM)
- Vinita Ollapally (ACS)
- Mike Donofrio (GMCB)

Meeting

Objective (s):
 See Agenda

Key:

-TF = Task
 Force
 -TFM = Task
 Force
 Member
 -CC = Co-
 Chair

**June 24-25, 2014****WELCOMING REMARKS & ROLL CALL:****Housekeeping Items:**

- Minutes from May Task Force meeting were accepted with no changes.
- Thank you to Wendi Healy (CHC) for catering the two-day meeting.
- The Task Force formally welcomed the invited guests in attendance, representing a variety of medical specialty societies:
 - Allison Hirschorn (American Society of Clinical Oncology)
 - Ana Maria Bustos (American Academy of Dermatology)
 - Anne Diamond (American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists)

- Carrie Winter (American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine)
 - David Hitzeman, DO (American Osteopathic Association)
 - David Kanter, MD (American Academy of Pediatrics)
 - Diane Hayek (American College of Radiology)
 - Erin Young (American Society for Radiation Oncology)
 - Frank Chae, MD (American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery)
 - Gregory N. Nicola, MD (The American Society of Neuroradiology)
 - Janet McCauley, MD (American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists)
 - Jeff Giullan, MD (Renal Physicians Association)
 - Joanne Willer (American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons)
 - John Lanza (American Academy of Otolaryngology – HNS)
 - Rachel Myslinski (Rheumatology)
 - Starla H. Tanner (American College of Rheumatology)
 - Stephanie Stinchcomb (American Urological Association)
 - Suzanne Hamilton (Colorado Society of Osteopathic Medicine)
 - Vinita Ollapally (American College of Surgeons)
- The Task Force also welcomed Jeff Hinson, Regional Administrator for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

SPECIALTY SOCIETY ORIENTATION:

- Invited guests were given a brief overview of the work the Task Force has accomplished since its inception in 2010.
 - The early struggles of finding a common lexicon to work from
 - Development of payment rules, or “rule recipes” which can be found on the Task Force website.
 - Enabling legislation in 2012 & 2013
 - Current state of MCCTF – accepting data from suppliers, to be used in conjunction with the “rule recipes” to create a base set of edits.
- The Task Force outlined the process for developing the data set, which includes direct involvement on behalf of the specialty societies. This process is captured pictorially via the web-links below:
 - [High-level workflow diagram](#)
 - [Detailed workflow diagram](#)
- The invited guests were given the opportunity to ask any questions they may have:
 - One major concern that was communicated involves the timing of the review process and it was noted that it would be beneficial for the specialty societies to receive the data ASAP.
 - Another concern that was noted involves the workload, and the Task Force was asked for a general idea of how much data that the specialty societies would be asked to review. While the Task Force cannot predict an exact figure, it was noted that the group would only ask the specialties to review edits attributed to their society.
 - One guest asked if the specialty societies could review more edits than those attributed to their society. The Task Force was unable to give a concrete “yes” at this time, but noted that if a specialty society provided the Task Force with a list of edits they would like to see, the Task Force would likely be able to accommodate such a request.
 - The question was asked whether the specialty societies could submit any edits for consideration. The answer was a definite “yes” – all data that is submitted for consideration will be subject to the guidelines laid-out in the “rule recipes.”

EDIT EVALUATION TEAM—Beth Wright, Nancy Steinke, Beth Kujawski and Wendi Healy

- The Edit and Rules Committee formally announced that the two groups have merged to form the “Edit Evaluation Team.” The Team will be working hand-in-hand with Bishop Enterprises Corporation (data analytics contractor) to construct the database. The scope of the group’s work include:
 - Developing the process to review submitted data based on the logic/guidelines written in the “rule recipes.”
 - Reviewing the submitted data and fine-tuning the “rule recipes” as necessary to ensure the rule is interpreted as intended.
 - Working with the specialty societies to review data sourced to a specific society.
- The Team reported that while it had begun initial work on the process, it is waiting for more data to be submitted before embarking on the main work.

SPECIALTY SOCIETY OUTREACH COMMITTEE—Alice Bynum-Gardner

- The Task Force appreciates the work Alice Bynum-Gardner (AMA) has done to inform the specialty societies of the upcoming edit review process and invite them to this onsite meeting.
- The Specialty Society continues its charge to act as the “liaison between the task force and the AMA’s Federation of Medicine, which includes 122 national specialty societies and 50 state medical societies in order to assess if public code edit and payment policy libraries meet the needs of national medical societies and state medical associations by reaching out and obtaining feedback from these groups.”

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Barry Keene, Legislative Liaison

- Barry reported that [SB14-159](#) was signed by the Governor on Thursday (5/29) and will include the full appropriation.
- In a collaborative effort with Jeff Hinson, CMS Region VIII Regional Administrator, the Task Force’s proposal to HHS has been finalized.
 - Mr. Hinson was in attendance and spoke of his support for the work the Task Force is doing.

DATA SUSTAINING REPOSITORY COMMITTEE – Mark Painter and Barry Keene

- Last month, the Task Force achieved consensus on the first section of the draft governance proposal. This document describes the processes for:
 - *Rule Development*
 - ✓ Describes in detail the process that was used by the Task Force to create the “rule recipes.”
 - *Development of Edit Set*
 - ✓ Attempts to lay out the process to develop the edit sets: 1) Call to general public for submission of edits; 2) Population of proposed edit data set; 3) MCCTF analysis of accepted edit sets; 4) Final notice of edit set proposed online; 5) Evaluation of Comments; and 6) Final edit set is published and posted online
 - ✓ Overall the edit development process spans approximately 11-months; tentatively the preliminary set will be ready for public review in April, 2015.
 - Timeline is somewhat dependent on the volume of data that is submitted as well as other factors.
 - New Rules and Updates to Edit Sets
 - ✓ Proposes that a similar process to the edit/rule development be used to handle new rules and update edit sets.
 - [To view the governance proposal please click here.](#)
- The DSR Committee reported that the group has turned its focus to developing *Section II* of the draft governance proposal which focuses on:
 - Dispute Resolution Processes:
 - ✓ Recommends a three level process: 1) MCCTF Resolution; 2) Challenge submitted; 3) Upon resolution of edit by MCCTF, decision of MCCTF can be challenged through mediated resolution.

- Ongoing Processes:
 - ✓ As the MCCTF is scheduled to be dissolved at the end of 2014 a new, permanent entity will need to be created to assume the role of the task force. It is recommended that a similar group be created, and all meetings should be open to the interested public. Further, it is recommended that any sub-committee created have balanced representation to maintain the spirit of cooperation and integrity the MCCTF has been able to maintain.

Data Analytics – Mark Painter

- The “Vendor Committee” has been working collaboratively with Bishop Enterprises to construct the analytics database for the edit set development. Among the things the group has been working on are:
 - Defining *User Classes* for the database (See March TF minutes)
 - Defining the column variables for the queries – refine the “data dictionary”
 - Developing the exact queries the group will need to be able to run to build the edit set.
 - Completing the “interface mockup” – i.e. what the “user” will see and how they will interact with the data.
- The Vendor Committee will continue to work with Bishop and “test” the database using the edits that have been submitted thus far, tweaking the software as needed.
- The Task Force was scheduled to have a demonstration to show the functionality of the database.
 - However, due to various factors (including improper formatting of received data/compatibility issues) the Task Force had received a relatively low volume of useable data to date. As a result, the group was unable to perform the demo as planned.
 - The Task Force will continue to collaborate with vendors to ensure data is received, in a format that is compatible with the database.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT – Vatsala Pathy

- The Task Force was presented with the work-plan. The timelines for the edit set development will need to be re-visited as the data is submitted and the specific timeline comes into focus.
- Connor provided the group with a live demonstration of the Task Force website. www.hb101332taskforce.org
 - All Task Force documents, including meeting minutes can be found on the website, under the “Archives” tab.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Task Force is working with Mike Donofrio (among others) with the Green Mountain Care Board in Vermont, providing key insight to help with a similar initiative in the state of Vermont.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments made from the general public

<Meeting Adjourned>