

All-Payer Claims Database Release Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
February 23, 2021	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Zoom Meeting Recording

Participant Name and Attendance

Committee Members					
Dr. Patricia Checko, Chair	Х	Anthony Dias	Х		
Michael Girlamo	Х	Kun Chen			
Justin Peng	Х	Lisa Freeman			
Sheryl Turney	Х	Michael Fields	Х		
Supporting Leadership					
Olga Armah, OHS		Adrian Texidor, OHS	X	Tina Kumar, OHS	Х
Vicki Veltri, OHS		Chris Wyvill, OHS		Joseph Rus, OHS	

Agenda

	Topic	Responsible Party	Time
1.	Welcome and Call to Order	Dr. Patricia Checko	1:00 PM

The special scheduled meeting of the All-Payer Claims Database Data Release Committee was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 by webinar.

Dr. Pat Checko welcomed the council members and called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. The purpose of today's special APCD meeting was provided.

• The purpose is to review and act on the proposal by Dr. Aseltine to get an up-to-date data set, to repeat a study that he had done to create an algorithm for suicide.

Attendance was taken by roll call. It was determined that a quorum was present.

2.	Public Comment	Attendees	1:05 PIVI
	There was no public comment.		

3. Application Review & Discussion: UConn Health Dr. Robert Aseltine 1:15 PM Executive Session, if applicable

Dr. Checko confirmed that everyone received the materials for today's meeting. It was noted that a security package was not included with the materials, but it is on file and it has been previously reviewed by the committee.

• A motion was made by Sheryl Turney to accept the security policy for UCHC that is already on file and seconded by Michael Girlamo. There was no further discussion. Vote: All in favor. The motion passed.

Dr. Aseltine, of UConn Health, presented on the application review. He reviewed the methodology, description, and purpose of the project. He said it was part of the approved proposal, the first one for the Connecticut APCD was back in 2017.



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- They are continuing work to develop an algorithm to identify patients who are at risk for suicidal behavior.
- They are proposing an innovative approach regarding the methodology and it differentiates them from other groups working on this throughout the country. Data fusion, capitalizing on principles of transfer of learning to approve the predictive algorithms.
- The goal is for data fusions techniques to be used to create and test a phenotype algorithm to identify patients at risk for suicidal behavior.
- The Committee discussed the presentation. There was a question about whether only UConn staff will have access to the data. Dr. Aseltine said there are two staff members at Cornell Medical with access through UConn Health.
- Dr. Checko asked whether the end-product would be a database that contains elements of the EHRs and elements of APCD. Dr. Aseltine noted that it is not a single data base but rather will identify predictors and using the relationship of those predictors to suicide behavior and applying it to new sets. The goal is to use the information to inform risks predication in external data.
- There was a question about whether there will be requests for updates to the data. Dr. Aseltine mentioned they may want to talk about getting an update or a refresh of the data.
- There was a question about whether there will be social determinants of health data in the set. Dr. Aseltine said there is limited social determinants information available.
- Michael Fields asked whether financial information is included or will be used in the study such as bill paid and allowed amounts. Dr. Aseltine said financial information has been used and is of interest because of the cost associated with these types of episodes. Cost can be reflective of the extent of severity such as hospital length of stay. Dr. Aseltine stated that they would like to have the financial data to help inform their understanding of severity and risks.
- The Committee continued to discuss what would be included in the dataset.
- Dr. Checko noted that a requirement of the APCD is to receive proof of destruction of the old dataset. She asked if proof of destruction could be provided. Dr. Aseltine said they will send proof of destruction.

4. Committee Vote: Data Release Application Committee Members

1:55 PM

Dr. Checko asked if the Committee wanted to go into Executive Session to discuss the Data Release Application. There was no request for Executive Session.

 Dr. Checko asked for a motion to approve the proposal by Dr. Aseltine to utilize the data to develop suicidal risk algorithms for diverse clinical settings. The motion was created by Sheryl Turney and seconded by Justin Peng. There was no further discussion. Vote: All in favor. The motion passed.

5. Wrap up and Meeting Adjournment

Dr. Patricia Checko

2:30 PM

Dr. Checko provided closing remarks. The survey has not gone out yet but will go out soon.

- The application process will need to be looked at carefully. Dr. Checko will reach out to the Application Committee members to find a time that will work best for them to meet.
- There is an upcoming DRC meeting scheduled for March 9th.



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- It was mentioned that we have lost a couple of members. We will be looking to fill these positions and add a few new members.
- Mr. Dias asked about the DRC meeting schedules and whether a Doodle Poll can be sent to members. He mentioned that Tuesdays are sometimes difficult for some members. Dr. Checko said she will work with Tina to send out a poll for other options.
- The motion to adjourn was made by Michael Fields and seconded by Anthony Dias.
- The meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: March 9, 2021

Meeting information is located at: https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/HIT-Work-Groups/APCD-Data-Release-

Committee