

APCD Data Release Committee

January 10, 2023



Welcome and Call to Order

Happy New Year!

Agenda

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Public Comment

Action: Review and Approve Minutes: December 13, 2022

APCD Strategic Planning:

- Review 2022 Strategic Goals
- Discuss 2023 Strategic Plan

Update on APCD Applications and Releases

General Discussion

Action: Meeting Adjournment

Public Comment

(2 minutes per commenter)




Review and Approve Minutes

December 13, 2022, Meeting

APCD Strategic Planning



Dr. Patricia Checko & OHS Staff

APCD Updates: 2022 Strategic Goals Update (1 of 2)

2022 Goal	Progress Notes	Status
Review and approve the APCD Advisory Group Charter	APCD Advisory Group charter ratified on 8/11/22 & shared with HITAC 8/18/22	
Establish a Denied and Dental Claims Workgroup to advise on Data Submission Guide amendments	APCD-Data Submission Guide Workgroup concluded its review and recommendations on August 4, 2022; Final report accepted by APCD-AG in August meeting	
Develop stakeholder engagement campaign to encourage self-insured employers to submit to CT-APCD	In process of gathering additional information to present to APCD-AG; To date, presentations have been made to APCD-AG and/or DRC by Washington State (Feb), NH (Apr), VT (Jul) & National APCD Council (Aug)	

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  = In process
  = Guidance requested

APCD Updates: 2022 Strategic Goals Update (2 of 2)

2022 Goal	Progress Notes	Status
Develop data use case recommendations	Guidance from APCD-AG requested (priority data products) Please email staff with any input	
Review and approve updated APCD Policies & Procedures for data release	OHS has recently hired legal team who will begin process of reviewing P&Ps along with APCD Data Privacy & Security Subcommittee	

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APCD Data Types & Years Available

The APCD comprises **medical, pharmacy, and dental*** claims information from enrollment and eligibility files

Payer Source	Claim Type	Years Available
Commercial** - Fully insured claims - State Employees & Retirees - Medicare Advantage (Medical only)	Eligibility/Enrollment Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2012 – 6/30/2022
Medicaid	Eligibility/Enrollment Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2015 – 6/30/2022
Medicare	Eligibility/Enrollment Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2012- 12/31/2019 1/1/2012 – 12/31/2018

* Collection to begin in 2023

**Anthem, Aetna, Cigna East, Cigna West, ConnectiCare, United Healthcare, HealthyCT, Harvard Pilgrim, Optum Health, Oxford, WellCare Health, eviCORE Healthcare, Express Scripts, Caremark




Reporting threshold – 3,000 members

CT APCD Federal Funding - Update

- ❖ OHS continues to manage CT APCD without additional funding and limited analytic resources – **request for additional resources in the next budget cycle**
- ❖ Federal funding opportunity
 - No Surprises Act grant of \$2.5m over three years for states to establish or enhance APCD to support market transparency efforts and research
 - **Includes provisions to make it easier for self-insured employers to voluntarily participate in state APCDs**
 - **No new information on the funding**
 - **Still awaiting guidance from Federal Dept. of Labor about grant requirements**
- ❖ Secretary of Labor established a State APCD Advisory Committee (SAPCDAC) March –October 2021:
- ❖ Comprised of experts/representatives:




State APCD, health economist, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), National Center for Health Statistics, Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information, HHS Office of the Civil Rights, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Employer Sponsor of a Group Health Plan, Employee Organization Sponsor of a Group Health Plan, academic researcher, consumer advocate, Chair of APCD Council, and Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation

APCD Updates: 2023 Strategic Goals Update (1 of 2)

2023 Goal	Proposed Strategies--tactics	Status
Approve the APCD Data Release Committee Charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APCD Data Release Committee ratified its Charter on 12/13/22 being shared with APCD Advisory Group for Ratification on 2/9/2023 	
Increase Internal and External Uses (state government health and human services agencies, researchers, consumers, employers/purchasers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website redesign Email marketing campaign Explore fee structure changes Refine APCD application Explore public use file 	
ERISA Plan Submission Campaign	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage ERISA Plan sponsors either individually or as a group to get voluntary submission of APCD data 	

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APCD Updates: 2023 Strategic Goals Update (2 of 2)

2023 Goal	Strategy	Status
APCD Policies and Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update APCD Policies and Procedures 	
Improve Data Quality and Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritize fields of value for policy, e.g., prior authorization, REL, rebate indicator Explore obtaining Non-claims data (e.g., value-based payments, drug rebates, recoveries, other payments such as government shortfall payments, grants) 	
Fill Vacancies on ALL APCD Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fill APCD DRC Physician, OHS designee, and Legal Expert vacancies 	

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Update on APCD Applications and Releases

Adrian Texidor, OHS

General Discussion

Wrap up and Adjournment

Next Meeting: February 14, 2023