

APCD Advisory Group

February 10, 2022



Agenda

Agenda Item	Time
Welcome and Call to Order & Introductions	1:00 PM
Public Comment	1:07 PM
Review and Approval of Minutes: November 4, 2021	1:10 PM
Level Setting: Purpose and Role of APCD Advisory Group	1:20 PM
Update: Health Information Technology Advisory Council	1:30 PM
Draft APCD Advisory Group 2022 Strategic Objectives Discussion	1:50 PM
APCD Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• APCD Data Years Available• Medicaid Data and Medicare DUA• Update on Federal DOL Grant	2:10 PM
Update: APCD Denied Claims Data	2:25 PM
APCD Data Release Committee Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DRC Activities/Applications In Process• 2021 DRC Annual Report	2:40 PM
Wrap Up and Adjournment	2:55 PM

Welcome and Call to Order

Public Comment

(2 minutes per commenter)

Review and Approval of Minutes: November 4, 2021 Meeting

Level Setting: Purpose and Roles of APCD Advisory Group

Olga Armah

All Payer Claims Database (APCD) Advisory Group

Committee Structure:

20-member created by C.G.S. §Sec. 17b-59f is

- A sub-committee of the Health Information Technology Advisory Council (HITAC)
- Chaired by the Health Information Technology Officer (HITO) or designee

Mandated members are:

- ❖ Commissioners or designees - OPM, Comptroller, DSS, DPH, DHMAS, CID, Health Advocate, Chief Information Officer
- ❖ Representatives – State Medical Society, insurance companies (3), health insurance purchasers, hospitals, Data Release Committee and a health care provider
- ❖ Additional members recommended by the HITO (4)
 - Two health care experts from an academic institution
 - An expert in payment reform
 - A representative of OHS

APCD Advisory Group Mandate

OHS consults the Advisory Group when:

- Contracting for, planning, implementing and administering the APCD
- Obtaining claims data from the State's medical assistance program and Medicare Part A or B
- Any action to obtain Medicaid and CHIP data
- Contracting for the collection, management or analysis of data from reporting entities
- Enhancing the state's use of data to increase efficiency, improve outcomes and the understanding of health care expenditures in the public and private sectors.

Purpose of the APCD:

- To provide health services consumers in the state information on the cost and quality of health care services to aid health care related decision-making
- To be made available to any state agency, insurer, employer, health care provider, consumer, researcher or Access Health CT to review healthcare services utilization, costs and quality while protecting patient privacy

Meetings:

Quarterly and public

APCD Advisory Group - Sub Committees

❖ Data Privacy & Security Committee

- Conducted a review and analysis of data security, privacy, and data release policies and procedures.
- Met for fixed duration in 2019

❖ Data Release Committee

- Deliberates on data releases external to OHS
- Membership
 - i. Advisory Group member and rep of state agency,
 - ii. APCD data manager,
 - iii. public health specialist,
 - iv. health insurance industry,
 - v. attorney specialized in health care, privacy and research,
 - vi. healthcare professional,
 - vii. hospital administrator with a background in analytics and research,
 - viii. health researcher,
 - ix. two consumer representatives with background in health policy, patient advocacy and/or patient safety

Meets – Monthly, 2nd Tuesday of each month, or as needed

Update: Health Information Technology Advisory Council

Sumit Sajnani, OHS HITO

Environmental Scan

- Input from **over 1200** Connecticut residents and organizations!
- Multiple inputs:
 - Virtual forum sessions
 - Key informant interviews
 - Online surveys
 - Focus groups



Connecticut Statewide Health IT Plan Strategic Focus Areas

- 1 Sustain and increase use of statewide HIE services
- 2 Implement systems to improve health equity and address health-related social needs
- 3 Improve service coordination and data sharing across state HHS agencies
- 4 Support behavioral health providers with the adoption of EHR and HIE services
- 5 Protect patient and families' health information privacy
- 6 Establish electronic data standards to facilitate development of integrated electronic health information systems



Draft APCD Advisory Group 2022 Strategic Objectives Discussion

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Strategic Objectives

- Review and approve the APCD Advisory Group Charter
- Establish a Denied and Dental Claims Workgroup to advise on data submission guide amendments
- Develop stakeholder engagement campaign to encourage self-insured employers to submit to CT APCD
- Develop data use case recommendations
- Review and approve updated APCD Policies and Procedures for data release

APCD Updates

Adrian Texidor

APCD Data Types & Years Available

The APCD comprises **medical and pharmacy claims*** data and information from **provider and eligibility** files

Product Line	Claim Type	Years Available
Commercial** - Fully insured claims - State employees & Retirees - Medicare Advantage (Medical only)	Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2012 – 09/30/21
Medicaid***	Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2012 – 9/30/2020
Medicare	Medical claims Pharmacy claims	1/1/2012- 12/31/2019 1/1/2012 – 12/31/2018

*Dental claims collection yet to begin

**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

***Medicaid Data Warehouse Extract is with full complement of Medicaid data is currently being transferred and loaded into CT's APCD

Update: APCD Denied Claims Data

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APCD Data Release Committee Report

Dr. Patricia Checko

Wrap up and Adjournment