

MMIS/MCO Workgroup
Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2006 8:30-10:00 a.m.
Human Services Bldg. in Salem Room 473

Attendees: Rachel Ganzon, Vickie Tuttle, Betty Glazier, Ed Deery, Sean Daly, Patricia Krewson, Paul Combs, Alice LaBansky, Jennifer Calinback, Leann Rhodes, Trisha Berger

Recent DHS Policy/Business Decisions affecting encounter submissions:

- #1 = Not requiring MCO paid amounts on encounter submissions.
 - This is how business is currently conducted today. OMAP does not foresee any changes as far as the paid amount.
 - A question was raised if the requirement of paid amounts on encounter submissions is on the table for the future. It was explained that this is on the table for the future.
- #2 = Requiring MCOs to submit pharmacy encounters in the standard HIPAA compliant NCPDP 1.1 standard format.
 - Some of the reasons for this decision:
 - The NCPDP 1.1 standard format and our new system is the industry standard.
 - There will be no system or technical changes required for our new base system. That means no additional cost to DHS.
 - There are minimal changes or impacts to the current transaction.
- Letters have gone out to plans explaining these decisions and the reasons for them.

Information on the standard NCPDP transaction and the differences between what the MCOs send today vs. standard format. Paul Combs, EDS.

- When comparing the form currently used today with the standard form there are five different standard fields to address.
 - 110 AK – software vendor certification ID.
 - 420 EK – submission clarification code.
 - 111 AM – segment identification.
 - 465 EY – provider ID qualifier.
 - 444 E9 - provider ID.
- These are the five fields that are currently not in use, and the decision is that two of these fields will be required when the new system is implemented in July, the 110 AK & 420 EK.
- 110 AK – software vendor certification ID.
 - This code is actually identified in the implementation guide as a mandatory field, and that is what is used to identify the original submitter of the file.
 - This is the last field in the Harris segment and we don't see the addition of that as requiring a lot of work or effort on the development side.
- 420 EK – submission clarification code.
 - The implementation guide identifies this as a situational field. It is the field that identifies this as an encounter claim, rather than a fee-for-service claim. This is

actually required for encounter claims; if this is left blank it will go to the default of a fee-for-service.

- The other three fields are used together; it is an all or nothing approach. We have decided not to use those fields.
- (Please review handout for further details)
- A question was raised that if DHS receives a batch of data if DHS has any system in place to review the data and see it is from a MCO and verify if the field is filled out correctly. It was explained that we currently do not have an answer, however they will look into that.
- Concerns were raised that the use of a default to fee-for-service code when receiving data from a MCO would have negative results for the actuarial services of the data. It was explained that the industry standard requires a code in that field. It was noted that this topic needs further looking into.

Action Item

- EDS will look into if the new system has anyway to verify and double check to see if MCOs data is filled out correctly, basically if there is some part/edits of the system that will stop a encounter claim as going through as a fee for service.

Issues Log, Patricia Krewson

- The issues log has been reformatted, separating closed issues from currently open issues.
- One outstanding issue remaining from last year, Submission Time Frames. We still are unable to answer that one so it will remain on the list.
- NCPDP is going to remain on the list as we track the process.
- A question was raised about the pend question that was asked previously and if any progress has come. It was explained that OMAP is currently working with EDS on a solution, and once the information is finalized then it can be brought to this group.

Action Item

- The Issues Log document will be transmitted with the minutes for this meeting to the workgroup distribution list.

Agenda Items for September

- Tanya Allen, OMAP Communications – New Identification Card Update.
- Proposed idea of possible virtual meeting.