**Virginia All-Payer Claims Database (APCD)**

**Data Release Committee Meeting Minutes**

February 27, 2020

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Richmond, Virginia 23219

Members Participating by Phone: Dr. Param Jaberi (VDH), Dr. Charlie Frazer (Riverside), Marcia Yeskoo (HCA)

Others Participating by Phone: Kyle Russell (VHI), Nicole Sidrak (VHI)

Call to order at 3:45 p.m.

Kyle Russell welcomed the members and guests of the All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) Release Committee (hereafter “the Committee”).

Kyle asked if any members of the public were attending. There were none.

Committee members received the appended document outlining each request prior to the meeting (See Appendix). Kyle proceeded to summarize each request.

Request 1: (See Appendix, ***1. MEDARVA Healthcare***) Kyle described this request from MEDARVA healthcare as being a standard provider request from the APCD. He reemphasized that MEDARVA intends to assess patient utilization, referral patterns, market share, volume of services, and other metrics on outpatient claims with Richmond-based providers. Kyle also added that MEDARVA is requesting this data for one quarter and that there are no plan-specific identifiers encompassed within their request.

Request 2: (See Appendix, ***2. Office of Senator Creigh Deeds***) This request from the Senator’s office is intended as a follow up from the request they submitted at the previous meeting. During the last meeting, the Committee expressed that the Senator’s office needed to submit additional justification before receiving plan-specific data. Kyle relayed that after the Senator’s office looked at the data they were approved for, they asserted that looking at utilization by plan could be a major factor contributing to some of the patterns they observed. Kyle added that the office’s intended use of the data is permitted by the legislation.

Marcia Yeskoo commented that the Senator’s office provided additional information as requested of them.

Kyle added that Anthem and optima are both aware of this request and that both entities are permitted a 30-day review period of any derived publication.

Dr. Charlie Frazer asked if the Committee had any additional comments or discussion points regarding the request from Senator Deeds’s office. There were none. Dr. Frazer asked if there were any objections to the request. There were none, and the request was approved.

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Kyle addressed the Committee for additional comments. There were none. Kyle asked if any members of the public had additional comments. There were none.

Kyle adjourned meeting at 3:52 p.m.

**Data Requests Submitted for APCD Data Release Committee Consideration**

Prepared by VHI for 2/27/2020 Meeting

1. **MEDARVA Healthcare**

**Point of Contact:** Matt Suttle, Coordinator, [Matt.Suttle@medarva.com](mailto:Matt.Suttle@medarva.com)

**Overview of Request:** MEDARVA Healthcare is requesting data from the Virginia APCD to gather regional cost trends, utilization patterns and referral patterns for hospital-based diagnostic imaging and surgical services. MEDARVA Healthcare has been granted approval to open a new imaging center to provide these diagnostic imaging services, such as MRIs, CT Scans, and X-Rays, to patients across Central Virginia; The requested information is intended to support their research and analysis for providing low-cost, high-quality healthcare services to the community at this facility.

**The data extract will be comprised of the following fields:**

1. MI Person Key
2. Claim ID
3. Dates of Service- incurred date, paid date
4. Member county
5. Patient Insurance Information- payer line of business
6. Service/Procedure Identifiers- Primary ICD diagnosis code and description, CPT procedure code and description, Milliman Health Cost Guideline (HCG) Setting, Line, and Detail level groupings, bill type/class, place of service
7. Provider Information (Billing and Service)- NPI, name, county
8. Volume and Financial Metrics- utilization, proxy allowed, proxy paid

**With the following filters/constraints:**

* Q4 2018 claims
* Facility outpatient and professional claims
* Claims for members who are Virginia residents
* Claims billed by providers located in Virginia’s Central Health Planning Region (HPR)

**Can shortened DSA be signed?** No

**Length of Agreement:** 1 year

1. **Office of Senator Creigh Deeds**

**Point of Contact:** Tracy Eppard, Legislative Aid, [district25@senate.virginia.gov](mailto:district25@senate.virginia.gov)

**Overview of Request:** To supplement a request submitted for the APCD Data Release Committee’s review in January 2020, the office of Senator Creigh Deeds is requesting data from the Virginia APCD to inform legislative proposals aimed at improving the affordability of insurance in the Commonwealth. Below is an overview of the data provided per the previous request-

**The data reports will be comprised of the following fields:**

1. Service Dates- year, quarter
2. Service/Procedure Identifiers- Milliman Health Cost Guideline (HCG) Setting, Line, and Detail level groupings
3. Geographic Indicators- county, city
4. Volume Metrics- medical member months, proxy allowed, RVUs

**With the following filters/constraints:**

* 2016-2018 commercial claims within the individual market
* Claims for members residing in the Charlottesville MSA and the Hampton Roads MSA

In addition to the intended use of the data above, Senator Deeds’ office would like to request utilization rates (RVUs) by Milliman HCG, specifically for Optima and Anthem in each of the existing markets, in line with the intended use of the Virginia APCD as stated in legislation;

“(G)2. The reporting of data that payers, providers, and health care purchasers, including employers and consumers, may use to compare quality and efficiency of health care, including development of information on utilization patterns and information that permits comparison of health plans and providers statewide between and among regions of the Commonwealth.”

The Senator’s office would like utilization rates by health plan for the period of 2016-2018 to compare with insurance premium rates within the Health Insurance Exchange. They would also like to compare plan-specific utilization rates between the Charlottesville and Hampton Roads MSAs to determine if regional pricing trends or utilization trends may be driving proxy PMPM rate differences between each area.