

NCPDP Update

NCVHS Subcommittee on Standards

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DSMO Report section

What is NCPDP?

- An ANSI-accredited standards development organization.
- Provides a forum and marketplace for a diverse membership focused on health care and pharmacy business solutions.
- A member driven organization that has been named in various government legislation and rulings, such as HIPAA and the Medicare Part D Regulation.
- One of several Standards Development Organizations (SDOs) involved in Healthcare Information Technology and Standardization.
- Focus on pharmacy services, and has the highest member representation from the pharmacy services sector of healthcare.
- NCPDP standards are used in pharmacy processes, payer processes, electronic prescribing, rebates, and more.

- NCPDP dataQ™ - provides healthcare stakeholders with up-to-date, comprehensive, and in-depth pharmacy information.
- NCPDP Online - enumerator of the NCPDP Provider ID number.
- HCidea - NCPDP's relational healthcare prescriber database of over 2.1 million prescribers created for the industry, by the industry.
- RxReconn™ - NCPDP's legislative tracking product.

DSMO Report Items

- **DSMO Report**
 - Present annual report
 - Describe current change requests, types of requests and disposition
 - Discuss state of development of upcoming versions of X12, NCPDP standards, and timing of possible recommendation to NCVHS
 - Discuss incorporation of Operating Rules into future transaction versions

New Versions?

- NCPDP does not plan at this time to request a new version of the Telecommunication, Batch, or Medicaid Subrogation Standards.
 - NCPDP members have not discussed moving to a new version yet.
- NCPDP continues to receive changes to the Telecommunication Standard however none of those have been a “trigger” to move to another version.
- We have been able to meet the business requirements of stakeholders with
 - codified data elements published in an External Code List and
 - incorporation by reference in the standards of the Version D Editorial document.
- When the industry is ready, we will submit a DSMO request and start the process.
- *But of important note.....*

Telecommunication D.0 Request of November 2012

- Industry need for the use of Quantity Prescribed (46Ø-ET) for claim billing transactions of Schedule II medications
 - Based on need found during Medicare Part D audits
 - Request from CMS for clarification
- Membership approved the change in November 2012 and the following actions took place
 - Letter request to HHS, OESS
 - Response letter from OESS to proceed
 - OESS anticipated publishing a Federal Register notice in July
 - Notification to NCVHS Subcommittee on Standards
 - DSMO Change Request 1182 (approved 03/2013)
 - Telecommunication Standard Version D.0 “enhanced” (released)
 - Frequent notifications to industry of request

Telecommunication D.0 Request of November 2012

- Current actions
 1. Continued outreach to industry
 2. NCPDP Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP) Committee working on guidance for best practices for implementation and timeline since this impacts coordination of benefits processing.
 3. OESS may not be able to publish a Federal Register Notice, but rather rulemaking steps are being discussed.
 4. **Request OESS send a recommendation letter to HHS in case it is needed.**
 5. Depending on item 3, the implementation timeframe may need to be modified.

Operating Rules

- NCPDP staff and members participate in CORE operating rules work of ASC X12 transactions that affect the pharmacy industry.
- NCPDP Work Groups have mapped/provided data elements and guidance for provider enrollment (ASC X12 274).
- NCPDP Work Group is updating the mapping document **Pharmacy ID Card to ASC X12 270/271 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response for version 5010.**
 - This mapping document may be used by payers and prescribers as a template for development of ASC X12 270 transmissions for eligibility determination of pharmacy coverage.
- NCPDP Work Group will begin working on Operating Rules for the **Pharmacy and/or Combination ID Card Implementation Guide.**
- NCPDP operating rules for ASC X12 270/271 eligibility transaction used in electronic prescribing have been incorporated in version 6020.

Thank You

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