

**National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS)
Subcommittee on Standards**

**Hearing on HIPAA and ACA Administrative Simplification
-- Operating Rules, Review Committee --**

**National Center for Health Statistics
3311 Toledo Road, Auditorium A&B
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782**

Thursday, February 26, 2015

Hearing Purposes, Objectives

The purpose of this hearing is to review and discuss the current status of selected administrative simplification topics of interest to NCVHS.

The objectives of this hearing are as follows:

- Review, discuss and consider for recommendations, the Operating Rules presented for adoption for four HIPAA transactions: Health Care Claims, Enrollment/Disenrollment, Premium Payment, Prior Authorization
- Discuss and consider suggestions of the Review Committee evaluation criteria for existing standards, code sets, identifiers, and operating rules.

Agenda

(Unless otherwise noted, each testifier will have 5 minutes followed by Subcommittee Q&A at the end of each panel)

8:30 - 8:45 AM **Welcome and Introductions** Standards Subcommittee Co-Chairs

8:45 – 12:30 PM Morning Session: Proposed Operating Rules

8:45 - 9:30 AM **Overview of Proposed Operating Rules**
Health Care Claims, Prior Authorization, Enrollment/Disenrollment
& Premium Payment

- Operating Rules Authoring Entity (ORAE) Gwen Lohse - *CAQH CORE*
- Subcommittee Q&A

9:30- 10:45 AM **Review of Proposed Operating Rule – Part 1**

- Health Plan Perspective Rich Cullen – *BCBSA*
Sid Hebert - *AHIP*

■ Public Program Perspective

- Medicare
- Market Place
- Medicaid

John Evangelist - CMS *via phone*

Karen Shields - CMS *via phone*

Melissa Moorehead - MPHI

Peter Basch – ACP

Heather McComas - AMA

Stacey Barber

Margaret Weiker

■ Provider Perspective

■ ASC X12

■ NCPDP

Subcommittee Q&A

10:45 – 11:00 AM **Break**

11:00 - 11:45 AM **Review of Proposed Operating Rule – Part 2**

- WEDI Perspective
- Employer Perspective
- Clearinghouse Perspective

Laurie Darst

Debra Strickland - Xerox

Debbi Meisner – *Emdeon*

Sherry Wilson – Cooperative Exchange

■ Practice Management Representatives

Eric Christ – *HATA*

Subcommittee Q&A

11:45 – 12:00 PM **Public Comment**

12:00 – 12:30 PM **Subcommittee Discussion and Next Steps**

12:30 – 1:30 PM **Lunch**

1:30 – 5:00 PM Afternoon Session: Review Committee Evaluation Criteria and Process

1:30 – 2:00 PM **Review Committee Overview**
Background, Role, Purpose, Process

Standards Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Background, Role, Purpose, Process
- Criteria Principles and Parameters

2:00 – 3:30 PM **Review Committee Evaluation Criteria & Process**

■ DSMO Perspective

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- SDO Perspective
 - ASC X12,
 - NCPDP
 - HL7
 - ORAE Perspective
 - ONC
 - Industry Perspective
 - WEDI
 - Providers
 - Health Plan

 - Payers
 - Public Programs
 - Medicare
 - Medicaid
 - Clearinghouses
- Stacey Barber
Margaret Weiker
John Quinn
Charles Jaffe
Gwen Lohse - *CAQH CORE*
Steve Posnack
- Jean Narcisi
Robert Tennant - *MGMA*
Gail Kocher – *BCBSA*
Sid Hebert - *AHIP*
- John Evangelist – *CMS via phone*
Melissa Moorehead - *MPHI*
Debbi Meisner – *Emdeon*
Sherry Wilson - *Cooperative Exchange*

3:30 – 3:45 PM

Break

3:45 – 4:15 PM

Review Committee Evaluation Criteria & Process - Continued

■ Subcommittee Q&A

4:15 – 4:30 PM

Public Comment

4:30 – 5:00 PM

Subcommittee Discussion and Next Steps

5:00 PM

Adjournment

QUESTIONS FOR PANELISTS

Proposed Operating Rules – CAQH CORE

- What are the proposed Operating Rules for claims, prior authorization, enrollment and premium payment?
- How were the proposed Operating Rules developed?
- Are there Operating Rules that are common to all transactions? Which are those?
- What are the Operating Rules that are specific to each transaction?
- How are Acknowledgments handled in the Operating Rules for these transactions?
- Have the proposed operating rules been piloted/tested? If yes, what are the results of the pilots/testing?
- What lessons learned from previously adopted operating rules has or will CAQH CORE apply to the proposed operating rules?

Proposed Operating Rules – Industry Perspective

Describe the industry's perspective on the proposed Operating Rules regarding the following:

- Business needs of the health care industry the operating rules intend to address.
- Efficiency improvement opportunities for administrative and/or clinical processes in health care, and strategies to measure impact.
- Potential impact of the operating rules to various health care entities (providers, payers, etc.) on the daily workflow/transaction process; administrative costs, required capabilities and agility to implement the operating rules changes.
- Potential emerging or evolving clinical, technical and/or business advances the operating rules intend to address or facilitate.
- Potential impact and/or improvement to health care related data and/or data infrastructure?
- If applicable, do they incorporate privacy, security and confidentiality?

Review Committee Overview

- Legislative background.
- Introduction about the Review Committee and Evaluation Criteria (RC).
- Review Committee Process.
- The purpose of evaluation criteria (RC).

Review Committee Evaluation Criteria

- What suggestions are there for evaluation criteria?
- Should the RC evaluation criteria be used to evaluate new/proposed standards and operating rules? Please explain.
- Do you have evaluation criteria that can be used to evaluate standards and operating rules?
- What evaluation criteria have you seen that are effective? Please explain?
- What process(s) should be used to evaluate standards and operating rules?