

Virginia All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) Advisory Committee
Data Review Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

August 30, 2016

Meeting held via teleconference

Members present: Charlie Frazier (Chair), Al Hinkle, Michael Matthews, James Harrison

Others present: Kyle Russell, Stephanie Kuhn, Jillian Capucao

Call to order at 1:03 p.m.

Charlie Frazier welcomed the members and guests of the All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) Advisory Committee Data Review Subcommittee (hereafter “the Subcommittee”).

Since the Subcommittee just met a couple of weeks ago, Charlie confirmed that a review of the Subcommittee purpose was not needed. Kyle Russell was asked to summarize the request.

Kyle summarized that the Joint Commission on Health Care is giving a presentation about palliative care on September 7 to the General Assembly. The report would show approximate costs of palliative care throughout the state of Virginia over the past few years. It would also look at the overall differences in spending between Medicaid and commercial populations, as well as the type of providers that are being paid for those services.

Kyle stated that the report would use a standardized proxy reimbursement amount to represent cost. The report would not individually identify any plan or provider, although, since Medicaid is identified, DMAS would be given the report to review before it would be made public. The report will only include observation counts 11 or greater.

Kyle added that palliative care was defined based off of specifications that were provided by the Joint Commission. Those specifications were included in the summary that was sent out prior to the meeting. This report will be made publicly available at the time it is presented to the General Assembly.

Charlie asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Al Hinkle made a motion to approve. Michael Matthews seconded the motion.

The report was unanimously approved.

There were no public comments.

Charlie mentioned that since this application came from the Joint Commission and is very straight forward, there should be some discussion at the next APCD Advisory Committee meeting about whether those requests should have to go through the same channels as other requests. James mentioned that

he could help set up some standard criteria and have a report ready for the next APCD Advisory Committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09.