

**CAQH Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange (CORE)
Attachments Subgroup (Prior Authorization Use Case) (ASG-PA)
Call #6 Summary: Thursday, March 04, 2021, 3:00-4:30 pm ET Conference Call**

This document contains:

- Agenda items and key discussion points.
- Decisions and actions to be taken.
- Next steps.
- Call attendance.

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Key Discussion Points</i>	<i>Decisions and Actions</i>
1. Antitrust Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) opened the call and reviewed the Antitrust Guidelines, noting that they are published on the CAQH CORE Calendar along with the meeting materials. • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) introduced CAQH CORE staff supporting the Subgroup and other Co-chairs, Mahesh Siddanati (Centene) and Santo Carino (Epic). 	<i>Discussion</i>
2. Roll Call and Administrative Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) reviewed the call documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Doc #1: ASG-PA Call 6 Agenda 03.04.21.pdf ○ Doc #2: ASG-PA Call 5 Summary 02.04.21.pdf ○ Doc #3: ASG-PA Straw Poll 2 Results 03.04.21.pdf ○ Doc #4: ASG-PA Straw Poll 2 Non-Substantive Comments 03.04.21.pdf • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) reviewed the focus of the call, which was to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review results of ASG-PA Straw Poll #2 (Doc #3). ○ Discuss next steps. • Marianna Singh (CAQH CORE Senior Associate) facilitated roll call. [See call participant roster at the end of this meeting summary to view call attendees and affiliated organizations]. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by the ASG-PA participants. 	<i>Discussion</i>
3. Summary of 02/04/21 ASG-PA Call #5 (Doc #2)	<p>Summary of 02/04/21 ASG-PA Call #5 (Doc #2).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level set on Subgroup progress, milestones, and summary of requirements. • Reviewed Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Infrastructure and Data Content Scope & Requirements. • Discussed next steps, including ASG-PA Straw Poll #2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marianna Singh (CAQH CORE Senior Associate) asked the group for motion to approve call summary. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by the ASG-PA participants. 	<p><u>Action required:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved 02/04/21 Call Summary (Doc #2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve by Randy Gabel (OhioHealth) ○ Seconded by Molly Reese (AMA)

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4. ASG-PA Straw Poll #2 Overview (Doc #3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) provided summary of ASG-PA Straw Poll #2 respondents. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by the ASG-PA participants. • Bob Gross (Cleveland Clinic) reviewed the percent support for each draft rule scope and requirement. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by the ASG-PA participants. 	<i>Discussion</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahesh Siddanati (Centene) reviewed and discussed points of clarification on rows 1-3 of the Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Infrastructure Rule. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ John Kelly (Edifecs) asked if CAQH CORE received comments from other entities regarding the requirement of supporting two versions of the X12 999 transaction. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bob Bowman (CAQH CORE Director) acknowledged that CAQH CORE received one comment regarding this and noted that there are challenging aspects of supporting different versions of the 999. - Donna Campbell (Health Care Service Corp) agreed that it creates both operational and technical problems for entities to support two versions of the same transaction (X12 999). She noted that Health Care Service Corp uses the X12 v5010 275 with the X12 v5010 278 and uses the X12 824 for business acknowledgement, so this rule changes their current protocols by adding support for X12 v6020 999 in addition to X12 v5010 999. ○ Shilesh Nair (CSRA) mentioned for awareness that X12 changed the TR3 locations and he does not think they are available anymore on their website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mike Denison (Change Healthcare) noted the TR3s are available in PDF versions. - Bob Bowman (CAQH CORE Director) said CAQH CORE will add that to the FAQ list and that CAQH CORE will work with their X12 liaisons to ensure versions are accessible with the licenses. • Santo Carino (Epic) reviewed and discussed points of clarification on rows 1-6 of the Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Infrastructure Rule (X12 Method). • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by ASG-PA participants. 	<i>Discussion</i>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emily TenEyck (CAQH CORE Manager) discussed and reviewed points of clarification and substantive comments on Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Infrastructure Rule (X12 and Non-X12 Method). • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ John Kelly (Edifecs) noted that the X12 278 is not an acknowledgement and mentioned that it creates confusion to include a reference in the rule indicating that it can be used to acknowledge a non-X12 attachment payload. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bob Bowman (CAQH CORE Director) agreed that the X12 278 is not an acknowledgement and explained that CAQH CORE ASG-PA Co-chairs and staff will remove the requirement language, given that it is only a reference to another set of CORE Operating Rules, and replace it with a footnote that the X12 278 can be sent as a response to an X12 278 Request. ○ John Kelly (Edifecs) recommended that CAQH CORE consider writing rules specific to FHIR since it has a version that will soon be published and mandated. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bruce Bellefeuille (Aetna) agreed. - Rachel Foerster (CAQH CORE Consultant) explained the HL7 PAS, DTR, CRD Implementation Guides are still in development and they have not yet been published. Therefore, CAQH CORE cannot write rules specific for those guides. She added that, as written, the Draft CAQH CORE Attachments Rule Requirements do not include FHIR as an exchange method since that would require a different set of Operating Rules. However, FHIR Resources may be included as the payload type of the X12 v6020X316 275 BDS segment or as the payload format used with CORE Connectivity. Finally, she explained that v6020 275 and v6020 824 have limitations in terms of the details they can communicate pertaining to FHIR resources. As such, FHIR can only be listed as a payload type with the rules CAQH CORE has outlined. • Marianna Singh (CAQH CORE Senior Associate) discussed and reviewed points of clarification on the Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Data Content Rule (X12 & Non-X12 Method). • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by ASG-PA participants • Bob Bowman (CAQH CORE Director) discussed and reviewed points of clarification and substantive comments on the Draft CAQH CORE Attachments (275/278) Data Content Rule (X12 & Non-X12 Method). • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No questions or comments were raised by ASG-PA participants 	
5. Next Steps (Doc #3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marianna Singh (CAQH CORE Senior Associate) reviewed the Next Steps for the CAQH CORE ASG-PA Subgroup: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>CAQH CORE ASG-PA Co-Chairs & Staff:</i> 	Action required: <i>Agreed to Next Steps.</i>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft a call summary for today's Subgroup call and adjust Draft CAQH CORE (275/278) Infrastructure and Data Content Rules in accordance with Subgroup discussion. Both will be available on CAQH CORE Participant Dashboard for participant review. - Continue to conduct further research on key topics in preparation for transition of attachments to claims transactions. o <i>ASG-PA Participating Organizations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Join the next stage of attachment rule development process by joining the CAQH CORE Attachments Subgroup – Claims Use Case, which will continue the rule development efforts started by this group and ensure parity across both use case Rule Sets. - Submit the online Call for Participants form by Friday, March 5th to join. - Explore the new CAQH CORE Participant Dashboard to find prior meeting materials including work group results documents and call summaries, upcoming events/notifications, and updated draft rule language. • Summary of ASG-PA Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No questions or comments were raised by the ASG-PA participants. 	

Call Documentation
Doc 1: ASG-PA Call 6 Agenda 03.04.21.pdf
Doc 2: ASG-PA Call Summary 5 02.04.21.pdf
Doc 3: ASG-PA Straw Poll 2 Results 03.04.21.pdf
Doc 2: ASG-PA Straw Poll 2 Non-Substantive Comments 03.04.21.pdf

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Attachments Subgroup (Prior Authorization Use Case) Call #6 Attendance

CAQH CORE Participating Organization	Last Name	First Name	Attended
AccuReg Inc.	Uhles	Shelly	
AccuReg Inc.	Howell	Ryan	

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Aetna	Morgan	Heather	
Aetna	Hodges	Rose	X
Aetna	Neves	Amy	
Aetna	Bellefeuille	Bruce	X
Aetna	Bakos	Janice	X
Allscripts	Vaughan	Shay	
American Hospital Association (AHA)	Cunningham	Terrence	
American Medical Association (AMA)	Reese (Malavey)	Molly	X
American Medical Association (AMA)	Otten	Rob	
American Medical Association (AMA)	McComas	Heather	X
American Medical Association (AMA)	Lefebvre	Celine	X
Anthem Inc.	Bushman	Mary Lynn	X
Anthem Inc.	Cioffi	Chris	
Anthem Inc.	Green	Christol	
Anthem Inc.	Henry	Holly	
athenahealth	Prichard	Emily	X
athenahealth	Holtschlag	Joe	
athenahealth	Maguire	Kayla	
Availity, LLC	Barry	Michelle	
Availity, LLC	Sacks	Jeremy	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (BCBSA)	Cullen	Rich	
Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (BCBSA)	Kocher	Gail	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Edwards	Jeniene	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Knapp	Ron	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	O'Malley	Molly	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Szydowski	Taryn	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Maldoddi	Laxmikanth	X

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Monarch	Cindy	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Siebers	Carl	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Turney	Amy	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina	Smith	Troy	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina	Hillman	Barry	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina	Swain	Deborah	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina	Tummala	Sudheer	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee	Sims	Jeff	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee	Langford	Susan	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee	Poteet	Brian	X
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee	Mead	Mitch	
Centene Corporation	Weigand	Jennifer	
Centene Corporation	Smart	Dustin	
Centene Corporation	Siddanati	Mahesh	X
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Doo	Loraine	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Jones	Melanie	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Connor	Beth	X
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Jenifer	Shelly	X
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Leonard	Connie	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Herring	Geanelle	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Cabral	Michael	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Kalwa	Daniel	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)	Wheeler	Gladys	
Change Healthcare	Denison	Mike	X
Change Healthcare	Mukker	Alka	
Change Healthcare	Jones	Gregory	
Change Healthcare	Fleming	Mark	

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Change Healthcare	Johnson	Andrew	
Change Healthcare	McCachern	Deb	X
CIGNA	Soccorso	Megan	X
Cleveland Clinic	Medve	Dan	
Cleveland Clinic	Gross	Bob	X
Cognizant	Thalluri	Sandeep	
Cognosante	Saunders	Daniel	X
Cognosante	McDaniel	Mary Kay	
CSRA	Nair	Shilesh	X
CSRA	Cruisce	Jim	
DST Health Solutions	Rogers	Tim	
DST Health Solutions	Gandolfi	Gary	
DST Health Solutions	Giase	Valerie	X
Edifecs	Boincean	Cristina	
Edifecs	Kelly	John	X
Epic	Pasumarthi	Vasu	
Epic	Carino	Santo	X
Government Employees Health Association, Inc. (GEHA)	Enslinger	Darrell	
Harvard Pilgrim Health Care	Starkey	Rhonda	X
Harvard Pilgrim Health Care	Querusio	David	
Health Care Service Corp	Schimanski	Daphney	
Health Care Service Corp	Matzke	Beth	
Health Care Service Corp	Collins	Amanda	
Health Care Service Corp	Campbell	Donna	X
Healthedge Software Inc	Brown	Margaret	
Healthedge Software Inc	Sbihli	Scott	
HEALTHeNET	Gracon	Christopher	X

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Highmark, Inc	Hetherington	LuAnn	
Highmark, Inc	Sweigart	Robert	
Humana	Shick	Brad	
Humana	Jamison	Sandra	X
Humana	Peterson	Amy	
Jopari Solutions, Inc	Wilson	Sherry	
Kaiser Permanente	Southam	Arthur	
Kaiser Permanente	Kessler	Christy	
Laboratory Corporation of America	Woodrome	Laurie	
Laboratory Corporation of America	Rohrer	Vicki	
Marshfield Clinic	Hoffmann	Glynis	
Marshfield Clinic	Stangret	Pam	
Mayo Clinic	Venhuizen	William	X
Mayo Clinic	Fortek	Rebecca	X
Mayo Clinic	Brannan	Andrea	
Mayo Clinic	Kocer	Grant	
Mayo Clinic	Kelly	Benjamin	
Mayo Clinic	Gundavda	Nisha	
Medical Group Management Association (MGMA)	Tennant	Robert	
Medical Mutual of Ohio, Inc.	Conklin	Deb	
Michigan Department of Community Health	Veverka	C	X
Michigan Department of Community Health	Fuller	Diana	X
Michigan Department of Community Health	Banks	Deontey	X
Michigan Department of Community Health	Hinkle	Lori	
National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP)	Weiker	Margaret	
National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP)	Strickland	Teresa	X
New England HealthCare Exchange Network (NEHEN)	Brennan	Denny	

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New England HealthCare Exchange Network (NEHEN)	Delano	David	X
New Mexico Cancer Center	Bateman-Wold	Tonia	X
New Mexico Cancer Center	McAneny	Barbara L.	
NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc.	Lopez	Jacqueline	X
NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc.	Harris	Gloria	X
NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc.	Schlichtig	Sue	
NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc.	Team	Nancy	X
OhioHealth	Tummalapalli	Krishna	
OhioHealth	Gabel	Randy	X
Ohio Hospitals	Weaver	Quyen	X
OneHealthPort	Rubin	Richard	
OneHealthPort	Campbell	Bill	
PriorAuthNow	Sandhaus	Jay	
PriorAuthNow	Blackwell	Mike	
PriorAuthNow	Blasinski	Jeffrey	X
Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc. (Marshfield Clinic)	Rock	Laurie	
Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc. (Marshfield Clinic)	Kurtz	Heather	
Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc. (Marshfield Clinic)	Foemmel	Sara	
Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc. (Marshfield Clinic)	Preston	Todd	
Security Health Plan of Wisconsin, Inc. (Marshfield Clinic)	Koch	Steven	X
The SSI Group, Inc.	Blossom	Mark	
The SSI Group, Inc.	Butt	David	
The SSI Group, Inc.	Tillman	Tracey	
United States Department of Veterans Affairs	Knapp	Katherine	
UnitedHealthGroup	Shamsideen	Janell	
UnitedHealthGroup	Nordstrom	Alexandria	X
Verata Health	Backhaus	Brent	X

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Virginia Mason Medical Center	Chambers	Kevin	
Virginia Mason Medical Center	Richart	Bri	
Virginia Mason Medical Center	Reeff	Amber	
Wells Fargo	St John	June	X
Wells Fargo	Birgenheier	Jason	X