CAQH Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange (CORE) EFT & ERA Enrollment Task Group Call #1

Call Summary: Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 1:00-2:00 pm ET

This document contains:

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

Key Discussion Points	Decisions and Actions
 Kiana Fitchett (Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey) opened the call and reviewed the Antitrust Guidelines, noting that they were included in yesterday's call reminder email along with the call documents. Ms. Fitchett reviewed the focus of the call, which was to: Review results of Straw Poll #1. Provide an overview of Straw Poll #2. Discuss Next Steps. Kaitlin Powers (CAQH) conducted roll call. [See call participant roster at the end of this meeting summary to view call attendees and affiliated organizations]. 	Discussion
Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants.	
 Ms. Fitchett provided a summary of EDTG Call #1: Discuss the EDTG goals, scope, and timeline. Review the background and opportunity areas for rule update. Discuss Next Steps. Ms. Fitchett asked the group for a motion to approve the call summary. 	Action Required: Approved 08/15/23 Call Summary (Doc #2). Motion to approve by Chuck Veverka (State of Michigan Medicaid).
 Erica Martin (AMA) reviewed EDTG's scope, goals, and timeline. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. 	Discussion
 Erica Martin (AMA) provided an overview of the purpose and format of Straw Poll #1 and the respondent breakdown by stakeholder group. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. Ms. Powers reviewed a high-level summary of the Straw Poll #1 results. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. 	Discussion
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	 Summary of EDTG Discussion: Susan Langford (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee) noted that there are atypical providers that do not have an NPI so it would be difficult if NPI became required in the data sets. Kathleen Bell (Aetna) agreed. Taha Anjarwalla (CAQH) clarified that the rule could state that NPI is required if a provider has one. 	
	 Mr. Anjarwalla reviewed the results of the Flexible Data Sets opportunity area. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. 	
	 Mr. Anjarwalla reviewed the results of the Fraud Detection opportunity area. Brad Smith (Nacha) provided an overview of Nacha's fraud detection operating rules and comments related to CORE's opportunity area. Summary of EDTG Discussion: Heather McComas (AMA) asked for clarification on Nacha's operating rule publication. Mr. Smith will provide an update in the future when he has more information. 	
	 Mr. Anjarwalla reviewed the results of the Bulk Enrollment opportunity area. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. 	
	 Mr. Anjarwalla reviewed the results of the Notification of Enrollment, Disenrollment, or Updates opportunity area. Summary of EDTG Discussion: Eric Martin (AMA) asked participants if their organizations would have challenges in meeting the timeframe requirements. Ms. Langford (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee) noted that some data collection requires manual efforts, such as phone calls, which would make it difficult to meet a 24-hour time requirement. Pat Wijtyk (Cognizant) noted that the notification of the receipt of the request could be similar to sending a 999 and a 24-hour timeframe requirement is reasonable. Mr. Anjarwalla said CORE would add more clarity on what "notification" means on the next Straw Poll. Martine Steiger (The SSI Group, Inc.) added that it would be helpful to have questions about timeframe requirements for the confirmation of receipt and confirmation of completed processing on the next Straw Poll. Ms. McComas agreed. Zach Vantrieste (JP Morgan Healthcare Payments) noted that there would be large variances in processing paper versus electronic forms. 	
	 Zach Vantrieste (JP Morgan Healthcare Payments) reviewed the results of rule maintenance cycle. Summary of EDTG Discussion: No questions or comments were raised by EDTG participants. 	
	 Mr. Vantrieste reviewed the additional opportunity areas proposed by participants on Straw Poll #1. Summary of EDTG Discussion: On the first opportunity area, which is to add a rule requirement that states that any fees incurred should be clearly articulated, Kelly Lenihan (Elevance Health) noted that the definition of fees would have to be explained to clarify that it would be fees that the health plan assesses to enroll. She 	

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	further noted that it would be complicated to determine the fees because intermediaries, like a bank or contracted vendor, may charge fees other than the health plan. Mr. Smith (Nacha) reiterated that health plans should not charge for enrolling in EFTs.	
5. Next Steps (Doc #1 Slides 22-23)	 Mr. Vantrieste reviewed EDTG's next steps, including completing Straw Poll #2, which will be distributed on Friday, September 29th. The next Task Group call will be held at 1:00 PM EST on Tuesday, October 24th. CORE EFT & ERA Enrollment Co-Chairs & Staff: Distribute Straw Poll #2 to participants by Friday, 09/29/2023, end of day. Draft a call summary for today's call and make it available on the CORE Participant Dashboard for participants to review. Analyze the results of Straw Poll #2 in preparation for Call #3 on Tuesday, October 24th. EFT & ERA Enrollment Task Group Participating Organizations: Complete Straw Poll #2 by Tuesday, October 10th EOD. Participate in Call #3 on Tuesday, October 24th from 1:00-2:00PM EST. 	Action required: Agreed to Next Steps.

Call Documentation

Doc 1: EDTG Call 1 Deck 09.19.23.pdf

Doc 2: EDTG Call 1 Summary 08.15.23.pdf

Doc 3: Nacha Comment Letter 09.19.23.pdf

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AMA	Rob Otten	
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Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	Kyle Ninneman	
ASC X12	Michelle Barry	
ASC X12	Cathy Sheppard	
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Availity, LLC	Katie Reighard	
Availity, LLC	Kathy Sites	
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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Carol Larson	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Ann McNeilly	
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan	Cindy Monarch	Y

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee	Susan Langford	
Change Healthcare	Trisa Ries	
Change Healthcare	Liz Weier	
CIGNA	Jackie Jackson	
CIGNA	Jeffrey Narog	
CMS	Daniel Kalwa	Y
Cognizant	Patricia Wijtyk	Y
Cognosante	Andy Koduru	
CSRA	Laura Caldwell	Y
Elevance Health	Kelly Lenihan	
Gainwell Technologies	Megan Soccorso	
Health Care Service Corp	Yvonna Cosey	
Health Care Service Corp	Andrea Huffstetler	Υ
Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey	Athalage Bandula	
Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey	Kiana Fitchett	
Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey	Penny Lewnes-King	
Humana	Olivia Rauter	
JP Morgan Healthcare Payments	Zach VanTrieste	Υ
Kaiser Permanente	Loleta Bethea	Υ
Kaiser Permanente	Maria Gonzalez	
Lab Corp	Kelly Baker	Υ
Lab Corp	Ghesha-Ly Rosario Diaz	Y
Lab Corp	Jennifer Snipes	
Montefiore	Erin Miller	
Montefiore	Christopher Stumpo	
Montefiore	Edward Yuabov	
NACHA	Cari Conahan	Υ
NACHA	Mike Herd	
NACHA	Brad Smith	Y

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NCPDP	Teresa Strickland	
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North Dakota Medicaid	Tammy Henderson	
Optum	Tara Rose	Υ
OSF Healthcare	Kris Alcorn	Υ
OSF Healthcare	Effie Hoffman	
OSF Healthcare	Rene Utley	
PeaceHealth	Marie Becan	
PeaceHealth	Lyn Jackson	
PNC Bank	Regina Davis	
State of Michigan Medicaid	Diana Fuller	Υ
State of Michigan Medicaid	Chuck Veverka	Υ
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	Kevin OSullivan	
The SSI Group, Inc.	Alicia Brownlow	
The SSI Group, Inc.	Martine Steiger	
TriZetto Corporation, A Cognizant Company	Andy Schulz	
United States Department of Veterans Affairs	Stephanie Farley	Υ
United States Department of Veterans Affairs	Katherine Knapp	Υ
UnitedHealthGroup	David Collins	Υ
WEDI	Robert Tennant	
Zelis	Megan Milner	Υ
Zelis	Megan Olson	