

LOUISIANA HEALTHCARE DATABASES

Follow-Up to Listening Sessions

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SUMMARY OF STATEWIDE LISTENING SESSIONS

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- * Held in six locations throughout the state from July 16 to August 1, 2013.
- * Introduced hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to the state's healthcare-databases project.

SUMMARY OF LISTENING SESSIONS (continued)

Topics covered:

- * Enabling Legislation
- * Reasons for Changing Current Healthcare-Data Collection
- * Uses of the Data
- * Data-Quality Reporting
- * Building Partnerships
- * Databases to be Established
- * Specifications
- * Impacted Facilities
- * Reporting Schedule
- * Data-Collection Timeline
- * Rulemaking

DHH RESPONSES BASED ON LISTENING-SESSION FEEDBACK

Documentation can be found at:

www.dhh.la.gov/DataReporting

TOPIC 1: TIMELINES/DEADLINES

ISSUE	INITIAL DHH PROPOSAL	PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK	DHH RESPONSE	REFERENCE(S)
File-Submittal Schedule	Monthly.	Monthly submittal a hardship at this time.	Will change to quarterly (see next slide for details).	Data Specifications Manual
Deadline for Submittal of 2014 Inpatient File	4/1/15.	Need extra time to work on ICD-9/ICD-10 transition effective 10/1/14.	Extend to 8/1/15.	Data Specifications Manual
Rollout of Reporting Requirements	(in order) IP → ED → AS	Concern over adverse effect of rollout on IT/HIM resources. Suggestion that ED be allowed first.	Submittal of 2014 IP file extended to 8/1/15. Facilities may send ED, AS data in advance if ready.	Data Specifications Manual
Inability to Report on Time	DHH will have a waiver/extension process in place.	Current restructuring may affect compliance with submittal deadlines.	Recourse to waivers/extensions as per Rule.	Administrative Rule

TOPIC 1: TIMELINES/DEADLINES

QUARTERLY SUBMITTAL OF FILES

- * Facilities will be given 45 days from the end of the quarter to submit an initial file.
- * Edit checks and updates for data-improvement purposes will be allowed until the end of the data year.
- * Facilities will have a preview period prior to public reporting to allow further modifications/edits.
- * If the number of encounters each quarter changes by >1%, DHH will request an explanation for the discrepancy (no penalties are implied).

TOPIC 1: TIMELINES/DEADLINES REVISED REPORTING SCHEDULE

Discharge Quarter	Deadline for Submittal of Data	Deadline for Final Submittal of Revised/Updated Data for Quality Reporting
1 st	May 15	June 1
2 nd	August 14	September 1
3 rd	November 14	December 1
4 th	February 14 of the following year	March 1 of the following year

TOPIC 2: SPECIFICATIONS

ISSUE	INITIAL DHH PROPOSAL	PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK	DHH RESPONSE	REFERENCE(S)
Updates to Data Specifications Manual	Annual following NUBC / ANSI/ASC X12 implementation schedules.	Facilities request reasonable time to update their respective reporting systems.	See next slide for details.	Data Specifications Manual
File-Transmittal Format	Healthcare data to be transmitted using 837 format.	Hospitals do not use 837 but ShareCor format 5200 instead.	Facilities may submit files to intermediary using any format. Intermediaries will submit using 837.	Data Specifications Manual
Service/Billing Provider Identifiers	Required data elements: 1. NPI 2. State-assigned secondary identifier.	Some facilities licensed as one institution, yet comprise multiple campuses submitting separately.	Facilities will be instructed to use their respective state license number as a secondary identifier.	Data Specifications Manual
Provider identifiers: - Attending - Operating - Rendering	Required data elements: 1. NPI 2. State license number.	Facilities report problems with edit checks for state license numbers.	DHH will temporarily not perform edit checks to match provider IDs with numbers on file.	Data Specifications Manual

TOPIC 2: SPECIFICATIONS

UPDATES TO THE *LOUISIANA HEALTH CARE DATA SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL*

- * Annual according to NUBC / ANSI/ASC X12 implementation schedules.
- * Exception if state or federal law mandates immediate changes.
- * DHH Health Data Panel will review suggested new data elements and recommend changes to the Secretary for implementation.

TOPIC 3: COMMUNICATION

ISSUE	INITIAL DHH PROPOSAL	PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK	DHH RESPONSE	REFERENCE
Communication Between DHH and Facilities	DHH solicited feedback from facilities on optimal communication methods.	Facilities prefer e-mail with the ability to view outputs on a portal	DHH will establish the necessary system to maintain optimal electronic communication with facilities.	Data Specifications Manual

TOPIC 4: CONSUMERS' RIGHT TO KNOW

ISSUE	INITIAL DHH PROPOSAL	PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK	DHH RESPONSE	REFERENCE(S)
DHH Administrative Rule	Rule to be released on 9/20/13, effective 1/1/14.	Facilities may want to see a copy before it is released.	Not standard DHH policy to circulate draft copies of a Rule before its release. Facilities have recourse to a public-comment period after the Rule is published.	Louisiana Health Care Consumers' Right to Know Act (RS 40:1300.111 et seq.) Administrative Procedure Act (RS 49:950 et seq.)
Risk Adjustment	Some of the data DHH is collecting will be used for risk adjustments.	Which specific data elements will be used?	Data elements will depend on the methodology adopted.	Not applicable.
Measure Selection	Not applicable.	How will DHH select measures?	Measure-selection process is discussed in separate CRTK project.	Not applicable.

TOPIC 5: OPERATIONS

ISSUE	INITIAL DHH PROPOSAL	PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK	DHH RESPONSE	REFERENCE(S)
Intermediaries	Facilities may continue to use intermediaries to send data.	Facilities support DHH's current policy on intermediaries.	No change in the initial proposal.	Administrative Rule
DHH Institutional Review Board	IRB will review requests for research files falling under cited references. See next slide for further details.	Can membership in the IRB include facilities?	State law: multidisciplinary team which includes a "direct service provider" member required. DHH will examine current rule to determine if revision is warranted.	45 CFR 46 Subparts A-D LAC: 48.I. Chapter 25
Funding	Not applicable.	Facilities may not have enough funds for additional technical and/or personnel resources.	Facilities may look into possible federal grant opportunities.	Not applicable.

TOPIC 5: OPERATIONS

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD

- * The IRB ensures that DHH include safeguards to all research projects in order to protect patients' rights and welfare and are ethically and professionally sound.
- * IRB Membership: Minimum of 7 representing DHH agencies, ethicist, legal, "direct service provider", primary consumer/patient advocate, primary concern (science), primary concern (non-science).
- * DHH is reviewing best practices from around the country to modernize IRB procedures.

TOPIC 7: OPERATIONS

DHH HEALTH DATA PANEL

Advises the Secretary of DHH on:

- * Identifying and defining the core health care cost, quality, and performance data elements to be reported.
- * Developing standards of accuracy, quality, timeliness, economy, and efficiency for the provision of data.
- * Identifying the most practical methods to collect, transmit, and share required health care data.
- * Utilizing existing administrative databases and modalities of data collection.
- * Ensuring confidentiality of personal health information.
- * Publishing provider and health-plan specific cost, quality, and performance data for consumer use via the internet.

NEXT STEPS

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- * August 30, 2013 – Final comments to the manual
- * September 11, 2013 – Next webinar
- * September 20, 2013 – DHH Rule to be released; effective January 1, 2014
- * September 30, 2013 – Final version of the manual to be released
- * Ongoing Support from DHH

FOR MORE INFORMATION

<http://www.dhh.la.gov/DataReporting>

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS