

Statewide Multi-Payer Data Initiative

Meeting: February 23, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 410

Proposed Legislation: Governor's House Bill No. 5038

Principal Elements:

- ❑ Establishes an APCD Advisory Committee
- ❑ Specifies who will perform initial implementation activities and mechanism for designating a permanent administrator
- ❑ Identifies entities that are required to report
- ❑ Provides framework for program administration:
 - Authority to contract with third-parties
 - Authority to set standards for data collection, data use and disclosure
 - Requires confidentiality of Health Information
 - Establishes protocols for program enforcement
 - Identifies funding to help defray costs
- ❑ Allows data access by state agencies, researchers, insurers, employers, providers, consumers and the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange, subject to applicable confidentiality laws.

Check Bill Status Online:

http://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=5038&which_year=2012&SUBMIT1.x=0&SUBMIT1.y=0#

Protection of Privacy

- Protection of privacy will be paramount as we determine processes for collection and release of data
- Proposed legislation requires compliance with HIPAA and state confidentiality laws
- States are increasingly collecting SSNs as part of APCD reporting to enable robust analytic capabilities
- There are good models for collecting and storing direct patient identifiers that strictly comply with HIPAA and state confidentiality laws, and safeguard privacy and security of the data
 - We will look to these best practices as we design protocols for Connecticut

Status by State of Direct Patient Identifier Collection

State	Status
Colorado	Based upon an initial 2011 report to Governor and General Assembly, all data transmitted from the carriers, including patient identifiers will be encrypted during transmission and while stored within the APCD. Data will be decrypted briefly as received from the carriers so that a unique identifier can be attached to each patient, and then re-encrypted. All data will be released without direct patient identifiers.
Kansas	Not currently allowed for commercial data, but due to the HBE, Kansas expects that within six months there will be an effort to change this. Kansas currently collects identifiable information for state employees and Medicaid.
Maine	Allowed by law, but prohibited by law from being disclosed; not currently collected. A 2011 legislative proposal intended to allow for release did not pass, but will be evaluated under a legislative study.
Maryland	Allowed by law. Currently collecting unencrypted patient identifiers.
Massachusetts	Allowed by law. Currently collecting unencrypted patient identifiers.
Minnesota	Not currently allowed.
New Hampshire	Not currently allowed.
New York	Allowed by law. System not implemented yet.
Oregon	Currently collecting a subset of unencrypted patient identifiers.
Rhode Island	Not currently allowed.
Tennessee	Not currently allowed.
Utah	Allowed by law. Currently collecting unencrypted patient identifiers.
Vermont	Allowed by law. Currently collecting encrypted patient identifiers.
West Virginia	Allowed by law to be collected, but not disclosed.

Report to Legislature: All Payer Claims Database (APCD)

- In accordance with Public Act No. 11-58, Section 11, the Office of Health Reform and Innovation convened a workgroup to develop a plan to implement a state-wide multi-payer data initiative.
- The workgroup has recommended the creation of an All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) that will be dedicated to improving health care through the collection, public availability and use of health data to:
 - Improve health outcomes for the citizens of CT
 - Improve the understanding of health care expenditures in the public and private sectors
 - Increase efficiency



Work Plan Updates: Significant Progress

- Funding
 - Exchange Board approval to use Level 1 Grant Funds to hire consultants
 - Inclusion of start-up funding in upcoming Exchange Grant Application(s)
 - CT Health Foundation
- Outreach
 - Legislator Discussions regarding HB 5038
 - Discussions with other States
- Use Cases
 - Stakeholder Interviews



Thank you!