

-- Meeting Minutes --
Indiana – State Uniform Billing Committee
September 24, 2013 – 2 p.m. EDT
St. Vincent’s Health north campus (Indianapolis, Indiana)

1. Welcome & Introductions

Jim Miller called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. EDT. Fourteen (14) committee members were present in person or by teleconference, and introductions of those attending followed. Jim Miller thanked St. Vincent’s staff for agreeing to host the meeting.

2. Review of June 4, 2013 I-SUBC meeting minutes

The minutes of the June 4, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

3. SUBC administrative matters

Jim Miller reminded SUBC members that meeting minutes and agendas are posted on the Indiana HFMA web site at www.hfma-indiana.org/I-SUBC. The website also contains a text box to submit questions to I-SUBC. He also reported that Indiana HFMA funded a renewal (through June 2014) to the NUBC subscription for the NUBC web site and online access to the UB-04 manual.

Jim Miller reported that I-SUBC sent a clarification to WPS officials on 8/29/13 to confirm that NUBC in late 2012 had approved 15 new discharge status codes to identify patients who are discharged with a planned acute care hospital readmission. The 15 new discharge status codes had been added to the Medicare MS-DRG group for DRGs 280-282.

4. NUBC update

Jim Miller recapped the outcome of the May 8 and June 19, 2013 NUBC conference calls. Items discussed included:

May 8, 2013 conference call

At the request of Michigan Blue Cross Blue Shield, in April 2013, NUBC approved 10 new revenue codes to report pre-hospice/palliative care services. The 10 revenue codes – 690-699 – are effective January 1, 2014.

A request by Illinois Medicaid for a new occurrence code to identify the final adjudication date by a primary payer was deferred.

NUBC plans to include guidance on the transition from ICD-9 to ICD-10 (as part of Form Locator 66) in its 2014 edition of the UB-04 manual. The updated manual will also include other updates, including the elimination of bill type 033X.

June 19, 2013 conference call

The NUBC conference call on June 19, 2013 focused on a request to move forward with the XML (Extensible Markup Language) format as an option for submission of HIPAA transaction standard updates. NUBC approved the request, but the DHHS Secretary has to approve the proposal following routine regulatory rule promulgation.

UB-04 Implementation Calendar

Jim Miller announced six (6) UB-04 updates as follows:

Effective 10/1/13: (1) Form Locator 17: new patient discharge status code 69 for discharged/transferred to a designated alternative care site; (2) Form Locator 17: 15 new patient discharge codes to indicate a planned acute care hospital inpatient readmission; (3) Form Locator 04: revised titles of home health bill types 032X and 034X and discontinuation of 033X; (4) Form Locator 42: new revenue code (0953) for chemical dependency; and (5) Form Locators 18-28: new condition codes (81-83) for C-section/inductions?

Effective 1/1/4: (6) Form Locator 42: new revenue codes for pre-hospice/palliative care services.

5. Old Business

- a. ICD-10 preparedness: A lengthy discussion ensued regarding preparations for ICD-10 implementation. Various payers gave updates on ICD-10 preparedness: Virginia Hudson of HP reported several ICD-10 updates have occurred to *Web interchange*, including increasing the number of diagnoses on the 837P and redacting social security numbers, and that providers are notified of the updates via bulletin; Dawnalee McCarty stated that MHS is following HP's efforts; and Janet Mateo stated that WPS is on target with its testing, Jim Miller commented that consulting services are cautioning providers to have adequate cash on hand (3-6 months) in case claim backlogs occur due to ICD-10 implementation problems. Tonya Satterfield echoed those concerns, stating that providers need to make accommodations for payers that are not ready for the October 1, 2014 start date. Jim Miller reported that he had not heard further from FSSA about an outreach effort to collaborate on ICD-10 implementation. Virginia Hudson noted that lots of workshops are planned in 2014 in conjunction with the ICD-10 implementation.
- b. Discussion on reporting of POS (Place of Service) for home health and hospice services was deferred to a later meeting.
- c. A brief discussion ensued regarding IHCP system implementations in 2015. Jim Miller noted that a new Medicaid claims processing system (IMMIS) and ICES replacement system are slated for mid-year 2015. Virginia Hudson stated that depending on the extent of system changes that regular quarterly training should be sufficient to help providers prepare for the system implementations.

6. New Business

FISS update: Janet Mateo of WPS provided an update on Medicare and FISS. Items of discussion included CWF/DDE would not be available for use October 4-5, 2013; questions about good vs. bad RAC recoveries; psych days regenerating on CWF (Common Working File); A/B rebilling using Condition Code W2, according to instructions provided in Change Request 8185; cancelling of annual wellness claims; duplicate claims hitting edit 38031; recovery of inpatient and professional claims; problems with DDE entries with missing HCPCS and claim totals; and CMS requesting feedback on how contractors are performing as Medicare MACs.

7. Next Steps – Next Meeting

Discussion ensued regarding the next SUBC meeting – proposed for January 14, 2014. Jim Miller stated that he would contact Franciscan Alliance/St. Francis about hosting the next meeting at its Indianapolis campus.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Miller, Indiana SUBC Chairperson