DRAFT Meeting Notes

Outpatient Data Work Group

December 21, 2011

9:00 a.m.

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Results
Item 1 Opening Remarks	Opening remarks were given by Kimberly Martone. Kimberly gave a summary of what was discussed at the last meeting. Legislation was discussed and moving forward. Discussed the type of format as well as the new IT person that will be responsible for developing the database.	
Item 2 Approval of Minutes	There were no comments regarding the minutes	Minutes were approved.
Item 3 Progress Report on the outpatient Surgical Centers Electronic Survey	60 facilities were surveyed and about 36 responses were received. Data is preliminary and need to be A small number have no billing system and do not submit bills electronically. Basically they are a cash and carry business such as a plastic surgeons office. Majority of facilities do file electronically (some using clearinghouses.) Some locations do not collect all the data sets requested and the concern is that if additional data elements such as ethnicity and race are being requested during registration time this might extend the time throughout the day by possibly 10 or 15 minutes per appointment, which impacts the ability to move patients through the system.	Members will complete polling their members and provide the final report of their observations and provide recommendations on process, reporting list of barriers and related IT potential solutions.
Item 4 Summary Profile of ASC's in the State	A phase in approach was brought up with ASC facilities that have the capability to begin reporting first or to begin by having all facilities report what they can and those who can, will probably submit everything requested. Mom and pop facilities will probably have difficulty reporting the requested information. Question was presented that if the regulations were completed by the end of 2012 and then 6 months later the ICD 10 kicks in, would that then cause a problem for the regulations that were passed? Could that future possible change be a part of the 2012 regulations? October 1, 2013 is when everyone will switch to ICD-10. Changing from ICD9 to ICD 10 will be a challenge for the smaller facilities. CHA is working with hospitals to improve race and ethnicity question. A toolkit has been developed to assist front end in how to approach patients on such sensitive issues. Commissioners and Comptroller's Office feel it is important to have this input for inequality issues.	Prior to next meeting OHCA will send members the list of licensed ASC, number of physicians surgeons and ORs.
Item 5 Next Steps	By the next meeting the components should be in place to begin preparing the report. Feedback that we received will be used in the planning of the report. Concentration for the next 6 months will be on the Facility Plan. Recommendations will be given to the General Assembly.	A list of barriers to care and recommendations will be presented at next meeting. Lisa Winkler to provide a table/spreadsheet showing the data. ASC Systems that are in place/subcontract out to hospitals/capabilities/vendors. The Comptroller's office will provide an outline of the agency's perspective of what will be in the MOU. Next meeting has been scheduled for January 25, 2012 at 9:00 am.

Attending in person: Kimberly Martone, Olga Armah, Jim Iacobellis, Lisa Winkler, Mary Lyon,
Also Attending: Jacqueline Kozin from State Comptroller's office
Absent: Kaila Riggott, Jane Deane Clark, Melanie Dillon, Kate McEvoy
By conference call-in: Ken Ferrucci