

HOSPITAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT MEETING

*Friday, May 5, 2023
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM*

Location: Online Only

All Hospital Zoom Meeting: Dial Toll-free 1-877-853-5257 / Meeting ID: 870 4490 0719 /
Passcode: 245046

Topic Suggestions, due by close of business two weeks prior to the meeting. Send suggestions to Tyler.Samora@state.co.us.

Welcome & Introductions

- **Thank you for participating today!**
- We are counting on your participation to make these meetings successful



About this Meeting

- We will be recording this meeting.
- Please speak clearly when asking a question and give your name and hospital
- A recording of this meeting will be posted to the [Hospital Engagement Meeting website](#) for later viewing.
- **Hospital Generated Topics:** Please contact Tyler Samora at Tyler.Samora@state.co.us with requests to cover questions or topics in future hospital engagement meetings. Topics requested fewer than 2 weeks before the next meeting may need to be pushed to future meetings depending on availability of personnel with knowledge of those topics.

Thank you for your cooperation

Dates and Times for 2023

General Hospital Stakeholder Engagement Meetings

Dates of Meetings	Meeting Time
January 13, 2023	1:00pm-3:00pm
March 3, 2023	9:00am-11:00am
May 5, 2023	9:00am-11:00am
July 7, 2023	9:00am-11:00am
September 8, 2023	1:00pm-3:00pm
November 3, 2023	9:00am-11:00am

The agenda for upcoming meetings will be available on our external website on a Monday the week of the meeting.
<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hospital-engagement-meetings>

Please note the offset dates and times to work around holidays AND Medical Services Board

AGENDA

May 2023 Hospital Stakeholder Engagement Meeting Topics

Who should I contact?

RAC Audits - Upcoming Meeting

Request for discussion on ED Transfer Payments

Inpatient Subacute Care

FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rates Update

EAPG Module Update

EAPG Base Rate Updates

Retrospective Analysis of EAPG Version Change

Inpatient Naloxone Carveout Options

Who should I contact?

- Claim submission and billing questions
 - Gainwell Technologies Provider Services Call Center
 - 1-844-235-2387 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Diana Lambe
 - Inpatient Hospital rates questions
- Tyler Samora
 - Outpatient Hospital rates questions
- Della Phan
 - Specialty / Psychiatric Hospital rates questions
- Andrew Abalos
 - Federally Qualified Health Centers / Rural Health Clinics
- Diva Wood / Jessica Short
 - Inpatient / Outpatient Facility Policy

RAC Audits - Upcoming Meeting

- The Department does not have representation from our team managing RAC Audits on today's call and will be unable to address questions relating to ongoing audits
- The Department's team managing the RAC Audits will hold a separate meeting on May 12, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.
- <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/recovery-audit-contractor-rac-program>

March Follow-up: Request for discussion on ED Transfer Payments

- **Transfers to an Emergency Department from other Emergency Departments**
- **Concern from Provider:** seeing zero pays on observation, pharmacy, supplies, other components of ED visit except for procedures for receiving ED
- **Department Response:** Currently there is no mechanism to treat claims describing transfers to EDs for receiving hospitals differently than other outpatient claims
- For more information on the specifics of observation payment on outpatient claims, please view the October 2022 stakeholder meeting or reference our [Billing Manual](#)

Inpatient Subacute Care

- The Public Health Emergency (PHE) will end on May 11, 2023, the emergency rule to allow General Hospitals (Provider Type 01) to provide Inpatient Subacute Care will expire at the end of the PHE.
- Please contact Diva Wood at Diva.Wood@state.co.us with questions regarding this policy

FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rates

Quick Update:

- We are building rates for 7/1/2023 right now
 - The GME cost add-on calculations and Non-PPS IME calculations were posted on 3/15/2023 for a 30-day hospital review. The review period ended on 4/15/2023 and those calculations have been added to the FY23-24 base rate model.
 - Although the review period has ended, any incorrect data that appears on the CMS IPPS IMPACT file needs to be documented with a letter from the hospital's intermediary showing the incorrect data and the correction used to update their rate. Deadline was April 15th, but I will extend the due date though 5/12/2023 end of day since this is the first time we're doing this. Send to diana.lambe@state.co.us.

FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rates

Quick Update:

- The Department is targeting mid to late May to post FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rate model for the 30-day review. An email will be sent notifying hospitals the model has been posted.
- Here's the link to check for updates:
<https://hcpf.colorado.gov/inpatient-hospital-payment>

Home > For Our Providers > Provider Services > Billing Manuals > Inpatient Hospital Payment


Inpatient Hospital Payment

FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rate Rebasing Documents

- [GME/IME for Non-PPS/IPPS IMPACT File FY23-24](#)
- Inpatient Hospital Base Rates FY23-24 - this information should be available online mid to late May 2023

Prior Years Inpatient Hospital Rates

- [Inpatient Hospital Base Rates FY22-23](#)
- [Inpatient Hospital Base Rates FY21-22](#)
- [Inpatient Hospital Base Rates FY20-21](#)



FY23-24 Inpatient Base Rates

The Department will be **scheduling an extra Hospital Stakeholder Engagement Meeting on Friday, June 2, 2023 at 9 am** to present the new Inpatient Base Rate model and answer any questions hospitals may have about the updated model. An email reminder will be sent out.

- If you have feedback, questions or suggestions please contact Diana Lambe at diana.lambe@state.co.us

Questions?



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EAPG Module Update

- 3M released General Availability Version 2023.2.0 on 06/22/2023
- To be installed within interChange the week of 06/26/2023
- Applies quarterly CPT/HCPCS Updates
- Department is still using version 3.16 of EAPGs as effective since January 2022
- Updates to how the Naloxone carveout will be implemented in the EAPG grouper will be forthcoming

EAPG Base Rate Updates

- Current Methodology:
 - Hospital specific base rates are based on the October 31, 2016 implementation rates
 - Implementation rates based on individual hospital cost profiles
 - Data used was prior to 2015
 - Each FY, after the signing of the appropriations bill, the rates were increased or decreased by x%
 - Scaled to retain budget neutrality for Colorado Medicaid outpatient expenditures in addition to hospital's and hospital groupings during transition to EAPG version 3.16

EAPG Base Rate Updates cont.

- Proposed Methodology
 - Framework based on IP model
 - Starting base rate then series of add-ons
 - Use Medicare starting point (APC conversion factor)
 - Proposed Add-ons: Pediatric, CAH, SCH/MDH, REH
 - Possibility of financial metrics add-ons similar to IP model
 - Possibility of GME
 - When adequate progress is made, the Department will assess a need for a corridor
 - GME - considering this as an add-on, similar to other states models

- Feedback/Suggestions? Please email Tyler Samora and Andrew Abalos

EAPG Base Rate Updates cont.

OP HOSPITAL	BEGINNING RATE	ADD-ONS (MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE)	GME	FINAL RATE
A	BR_A		GME	BR_A + GME = FR_A
B	BR_B	CAH		BR_B + CAH = FR_B
C	BR_C	Pediatric		BR_C + Pediatric = FR_C

Proposed Updates Schedule

	OUTPATIENT	INPATIENT
EVEN YEARS	BASE RATE UPDATE	APR-DRG VERSION UPDATE
ODD YEARS	EAPG VERSION UPDATE	BASE RATE UPDATE
*Any changes to timeline above will be communicated through future stakeholder meetings and provider bulletins		

Retrospective Analysis of EAPG Version Change

- Background: The Department transitioned to a new version of EAPGs effective January 1, 2022
 - Many changes to CPT/HCPCS to EAPG Assignments
 - Removal, Addition, and Modification of EAPGs and corresponding weights
 - To mitigate significant financial swings for hospitals, Department applied changes to base rates effective January 1, 2022
- Given a year of claims (with appropriate runout) and completion of related claims adjustments, the Department will be performing analysis comparing original payment estimates to actual payments
- If significant variations are found, Department will assess need for prospective rate adjustments

Inpatient Naloxone Carveout

- HB22-1326 (Fentanyl Accountability And Prevention) Bill Signed into law May 25, 2022
- Seeking IP Carveout option effective January 1, 2023
- Other required authorities:
 - Code of Colorado Regulations
 - Emergency Rule passed December 9, 2022, will be presented as non-Emergency on March 10
 - State Plan
 - Pursuing a State Plan Amendment, working with CMS for approval
- Implementation:
 - Billing guidance will be updated in the provider bulletin and billing manuals when changes are complete, seeking a process similar to current IPP-LARC carveout

Questions, Comments, & Solutions



Thank You!

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