

HOSPITAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT MEETING

Friday, September 8, 2023
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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

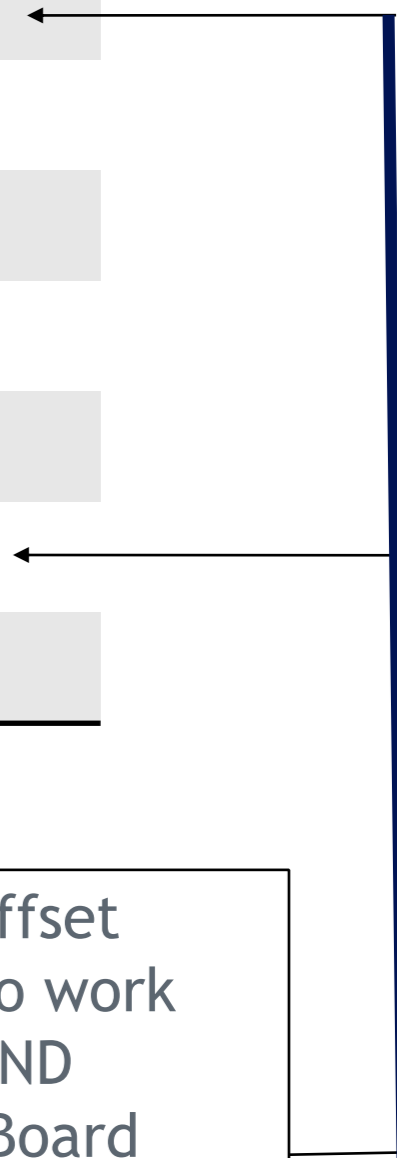
- We will be recording this meeting.
- Please speak clearly when asking a question and give your name and hospital
- A recording of this meeting will be posted to the [Hospital Engagement Meeting website](#) for later viewing.
- **Hospital Generated Topics:** Please contact Tyler Samora at Tyler.Samora@state.co.us 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
June 2, 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

September 2023 Hospital Stakeholder Engagement Meeting Topics

Hospital Rule Change

Provider Topics of Discussion

FY 23-24 Inpatient Hospital Base Rates Update

Potential APR-DRG Version 40 Extra Meeting

Revisiting Drug Payments in Outpatient Hospital

EAPG Module Update

SFY23-24 Outpatient Hospital Base Rates

Out of State (OOS) Peer Group Averages

EAPG Base Rate Reform Background

EAPG Base Rate Reform Moving Forward

Inpatient Specialty Drug Carveout

Opioid Antagonist Carveout

Hospital Rule Changes

- MSB 9/8 passed MSB 23-05-17-A
- 10 CCR 2505-10 8.300 rule updates effective 10/30/23
- Observation cap removal
 - Observation stays that exceed 8 hours will be reimbursed effective 10/30/23
- Email Diva Wood and Jessica Short with questions related to this rule change

Provider Topics of Discussion

- Denials relating to IUD insertion - procedure and/or diagnosis code not valid for patient's age
 - Department asking providers to work with Gainwell - also please let Gainwell know to bring these issues up with the Department
- Sterilization form mismatch name
 - Name entered on form must match the name in CBMS, otherwise error will result
 - Member information that flows into interChange from CBMS, which is not entered by HCPF or Gainwell - county worker needs to update name if incorrect
- [Medicaid and Criminal Justice Involved Populations](#)

FY 23-24 Inpatient Base Rates

- The 30-day review period for FY 23-24 IP Base Rates ended on June 25, 2023, without any data input or calculation errors requiring re-posting of rates.
- The Department sent Transmittal CO-23-0003 to Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for rate approval on August 1, 2023, with CMS' 90-day review clock expiring on 10/30/23. We will keep all hospitals up to date on when the rates are approved, and when we will be re-pricing all claims with last service date of 7/1/2023 and forward.
 - When approved, hospitals can download the CMS approval letter and get the date when the transmittal is approved by going to the CMS website and search by the transmittal CO-23-0003.
<https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/medicaid-state-plan-amendments/index.html>

Potential Version 40 APR-DRG Meeting

- The Department is continuing to perform analysis on the fiscal impacts to hospitals resulting from the proposed update to Version 40 of APR-DRGs
- Proposed effective date of transition: July 1, 2024
- Additional meetings may be necessary to meet deadline - considerations for October and/or December 2023 meetings on this topic
- To be informed on these meetings, please sign up for [Hospital Engagement Meeting newsletters](#)

Revisiting Drug Payments in OP Hospital

- In mid to late 2021, the Department proposed re-working of drug payment methodology in outpatient hospital setting away from EAPGs
- Considerations for Average Acquisition Cost based model, which would require regular hospital surveying of drug invoices
- Perceived as administratively burdensome, and budget neutrality requirements result in shifting of existing expenditures
- Do these barriers still exist?

EAPG Module Update

- 3M will release General Availability Version 2023.3.0 on 09/21/2023
- To be installed within interChange the week of 09/25/2023
- Applies quarterly CPT/HCPCS updates and annual ICD updates
- Effective October 30, 2023 payment to observations with greater than 48 units/hours
- [IP/OP Billing manual](#)

SFY23-24 Outpatient Hospital Base Rates

- The Long Bill (SB23-214) authorized a 3% increase to the Outpatient Hospital Base Rates effective July 1, 2023
- State Plan Amendment CO 23-0020
 - Approved on July 24, 2023
- Base rates posted to the [Outpatient Hospital Payment web page](#)
- Loaded into interChange as of August 17, 2023
 - Rates validated same day

SFY23-24 Outpatient Hospital Base Rates

- As mentioned in provider news and resources there was a small error of claims paying at old rate.
 - Issue resolved as of August 16, 2023.
- Reprocessing of claims began on August 18, 2023
 - Completed as of August 28, 2023

OOS Peer Group Averages

- Noticed a calculation error of the Peer Group Averages on the September 1, 2022 rate posting
- Outpatient Hospital Payment website had the corrected rates posted as of September 5, 2023
- ONLY impacts rates for Out of State hospitals

EAPG Base Rate Reform Background

- During EAPG implementation, the hospital base rates were created using hospital cost data from before 2015
- Since then, there has been percent changes to the base rates
- The department is proposing updating the methodology used to create these rates to:
 - Update data behind cost profiles
 - Allow for add-ons

EAPG Base Rate Reform Moving Forward

- In the May 2023 meeting, we proposed multiple add-ons
 - Financial Metric
 - Solvency
 - Critical Access / Sole Community / Medicare Dependent
 - Pediatric
 - GME

- The Department plans on moving forward with these add-ons

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

Inpatient Specialty Drug Carveout

- The Department is pursuing a method of reimbursing drugs provided in inpatient hospital setting outside of the current APR-DRG payment structure
- Seeking to use similar criteria for eligible drugs as outpatient specialty drug carveout (see [Appendix Z](#) for drug listing)
- Claims submission process likely to mirror current functionality for IPP-LARC Carveout with invoices
- Proposed effective date: January 1, 2024
 - Requires Section 8.300 Code of Colorado Regulation language addition
 - Requires approved State Plan Amendment from CMS

Opioid Antagonist Carveout

- CMS 23-0002 (Inpatient Carveout of Opioid Antagonists) approved June 13, 2023, effective January 1, 2023
- CMS 22-0033 (Outpatient Carveout of Opioid Antagonists) approved December 15, 2022, effective July 8, 2022
- The Department has worked with Gainwell and 3M to configure system to pay Naloxone when billed in accordance with billing guidance
- Barriers to payment?

Questions, Comments, & Solutions



Thank You!

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