

Group:	Minnesota Administrative Uniformity Committee (AUC) Executive Committee
Meeting Date:	April 1, 2013, via teleconference.

AUC Executive Committee – 4-1-13	Meeting notes, follow-up
<p>Agenda items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting to order – Keri Silvernagel 2. Anti-trust statement 3. Approve March 4, 2013 meeting minutes – Keri Silvernagel 4. Denise Dunn, Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), <u>Immunization, Tuberculosis and International Health (ITI) Section</u> 	<p>The meeting was called to order and the AUC antitrust statement was noted,</p> <p>The meeting notes of the March 4, 2013 Executive Committee were reviewed and approved.</p> <p>David Haugen of MDH explained that he had asked to introduce Denise Dunn to create awareness of activities she will be undertaking with a federal grant that may be of possible interest to the AUC, and for which the AUC may be a possible resource. Denise was introduced and she explained that she works in the Immunization, Tuberculosis and International Health (ITI) Section at MDH. The section is responsible for, among other tasks, helping “ensure that children and adults are properly immunized against vaccine-preventable disease.” Her unit has received a federal CDC grant (cooperative agreement) that is focused on immunization billing. The goal of this grant work is to make it easier for vaccination providers in Minnesota (especially local health departments) to bill for vaccines administered to insured individuals and thus be reimbursed more fully for vaccinations. Some of the activities that will be a part of this</p>

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<p>5. Follow-up from last AUC Ops meeting on March 12</p>	<p>grant work include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forming a billing task force that includes key stakeholders to assess needs and opportunities & provide advice regarding immunization billing resources that would be useful; • Contracting with a medical billing specialist to provide consultation that will help us understand the complexities of the billing and reimbursement process for immunizations in MN; • Assessing billing resource needs and capacity of vaccination providers through surveys, key informant interviews, task force discussions, etc.; • Investigating billing strategies of successful vaccination providers through surveys, key informant interviews, task force discussions, etc.; • Identifying/developing billing resources that help maximize third-party reimbursement; • Evaluating effectiveness of billing resources identified or developed by conducting a small pilot project; and, • Analyzing all the data collected over the 2-year timeframe to determine feasibility of creating a model that can be taken to other counties for implementation. <p>Denise was thanked for her summary and it was agreed that Dave Haugen and Judy Edwards of MDH will maintain contact with Denise’s unit for any ongoing updates and to coordinate for any possible AUC input or assistance to the project. Dave and Judy will also report briefly on the project at the next regularly scheduled quarterly operations meeting in June.</p> <p>The Executive Committee reviewed notes and discussion from an AUC Operations planning session held on March 12. A number of next steps and follow-up were identified, including:</p>

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	<p>A. Communicate AUC desire to coordinate with ICD-10 Collaborative <u>Follow up:</u> Laurie Darst will follow up with ICD-10 Collaborative for someone to provide AUC with updates</p> <p>B. Poll the AUC regarding the creation of a new HPID/OEID TAG to start as soon as possible <u>Follow-up:</u> Poll completed, new TAG to be formed. Dave and Judy will draft TAG announcement message within 1-2 days, send to Exec for review, and then send out.</p> <p>C. Reach out to national organizations such as CORE, X12, etc. to engage with these organizations <u>Follow-up:</u> Dave Haugen and Judy Edwards following up. Dave and Judy will mock-up additions to AUC website to provide access to national resources</p> <p>D. Learn more about activities and timing of Health insurance exchange, particularly with regard to HPID/OEID enumeration of health plans <u>Follow-up:</u> Dave and Judy following up with Minnesota Department of Commerce staff person.</p> <p>E. Consider convening a group to inform an organization like the national Workgroup on Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) and to provide them feedback about challenges of bundled billing, ACOs, etc. The group would not have to be convened as an AUC Technical Advisory Group (TAG) but could be a more limited forum. <u>Follow-up:</u> The Executive Committee will keep the suggestion under consideration and will be looking for possible opportunities to bring the issues to appropriate national groups.</p> <p>F. Report back to Ops about the status and activities of Council of Health Plans credentialing project <u>Follow-up:</u> Keri Silvernagel agreed to follow up with the Council.</p> <p>G. Industry problem solving and engagement (not necessarily via the AUC)</p>

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<p>6. SBAR status and update</p>	<p><u>Follow-up:</u> Some individual and small group meetings are already taking place as part of an informal, ongoing process. No additional follow-up specific to the AUC is planned at this time.</p> <p>The Executive Committee reviewed an SBAR requesting that a mental health prior authorization form developed by the AUC some time ago be updated. The Committee asked that the appropriate TAGs review and update the form as needed and announce when the updates were completed.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also discussed revisions to the SBAR and the SBAR process description. Dave Haugen and Judy Edwards of MDH will map out the SBAR process to show that SBARs are forwarded to the Executive Committee and, for those that are in the AUC's scope, then delegated to the appropriate TAG. The Executive Committee will also receive the draft TAG recommendation before it is finalized and sent to the SBAR author.</p> <p>The Committee recommended that the author(s) and subject matter experts most familiar with the contents of SBARs attend the TAG meetings at which their SBARs are discussed. Dave and Judy will make the TAGs aware of this recommendation.</p>
<p>7. Brief update on any recent TAG activity and plans</p>	<p>Dave Haugen and Judy Edwards briefly reviewed a summary of recent TAG activity. Dave and Judy will also experiment with revamped activity tracker form and reporting</p>
<p>8. Review of TAGs</p>	<p>As part of 2013 AUC planning and scheduling, Dave and Judy will contact the co-chairs of the Eligibility, Claims, and Remit TAGs regarding their meeting plans and anticipated meeting schedule.</p>
<p>9. Other Business</p>	<p>There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned.</p>