

Meeting Information:	
Meeting Date & Time:	12/7/2023 10:00 am - 11:30 am (Central)
Meeting Title:	Network Adequacy Data Maintenance Planning
Called by:	Tonmoy Dasgupta, Regulatory Health Link Division, Arkansas Insurance Dept.
Mode of meeting	Microsoft Teams
Attendees	
Attachments* (Agenda, Handouts, PPTs, etc.):	Presentation slides & recording.

* Attachments can be submitted by copying and pasting in this document or by submitting as separate document.

Agenda:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introductions & housekeeping 2) Overview of phases 3) Changes in the NA Regulation Landscape <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. CMS-CCIIO's communications though PY2025 NBPP b. Arkansas DOI's position on the changes 4) PTNP process and dates 5) Errors to avoid. 6) NPI Lookup 7) Appendix – Onboarding reference material

Meeting Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting convened by Tonmoy Dasgupta at 10:02 am went as per script. Recording available. Adjourned at 10:59 am. There were a couple of technical snags – loss of audio and separately, the screen share. • AID expressed concern over large increases in any provider type as a result of the PTNP process, especially if it was repeated every year. The aim behind the PTNP was not to only increase providers but also weed out providers not available or misclassified. • The important areas of the PY2025 Notice of Benefits and Payment Parameters (NBPP) was discussed. AID expressed its continued desire to align with CMS-CCIIO standards due to the benefits of uniform implementation, both to the issuer and regulator. AID has still more work to do in developing methods to implement CCIIO standards. One area of concern that remains was the lack of quality control over classification of providers (e.g. different issuers classifying the same provider as Oncologist and Psychiatrist.) • The importance of participants (re)reading the “Errors to avoid” was stressed. • AID said that going forward, while issuing Network Adequacy objections, the agency would soon follow up with a short meeting with the issuer to ensure that objection was understood. The agency hoped that this would prevent responses to objections that did not make sense. • Next deadlines from issuers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Issuers to provide suggestions for PTNP change. Due on January 15, 2024. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AID would collect these suggestions and post the consolidated information on NA website on January 31, 2024. ○ Issuers vote their agreement or opposition to suggested changes by others. Due on February 15, 2024. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AID processes & reviews votes and finally makes available the latest PTNPs on NA website by March 15, 2024.

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It is possible that multiple people used a single login. The Department apologizes for potentially misspelling anyone's name or not catching the associated organization name.

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