New Mexico Health Information System (HIS) Act Advisory Committee Meeting
Office of Superintendent of Insurance
1120 Paseo de Peralta #4th Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87502
17 September 2019

HIS Advisory Committee Members present:

Mark Epstein – Health Insurance Provider (True Health New Mexico) (by phone)

Kristina Fisher – Health Consumer Group (Think New Mexico)

Mike Landen – New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH), Chair

Bill Patten – Health Care Organization (Taos Holy Cross)

Russell Toal – New Mexico Human Services Department (NMHSD) (by phone)

Janice Torrez – Health Insurance Provider (Blue Cross Blue Shield)

Todd Sandman – Health Care Provider (Presbyterian Health Services) (replacing Susan Gempesaw)

Bonnie White, UNM (by phone)

Judy Williams – Health Data

Anthony Yepa, Health Consumer

Members not present:

Robert Doucette – Office of Superintendent of Insurance

Jeff Dye – New Mexico Hospital Association

Nadini Kuehn – Health Policy

Other Attendees:

Ellen Interlandi – New Mexico Health Care Organization (NMHA)

Dan Lanari – New Mexico Health Association

Margaret "Kika" Péña (for Robert Doucette), Office of Superintendent of Insurance

Lori Zigich – Health Systems Epidemiology Program

Review of Minutes from July 30, 2019 Meeting

- Noted that some specific provider and consumer groups that were listed during the meeting were left out of the meeting minutes.

Review Agenda

- Agenda approved.

APCD Status

Mike Landen provided an update on APCD initiation activities. The draft timeline dated August 16, 2019 was presented. With respect to hiring, the project manager position has been approved by the State Personnel Office and will be posted soon. A health research epidemiologist and a data scientist position are in the process of being created. DOH will have contracts for stakeholder engagement as well as one to develop the RFP (national consultant contract). The biggest contract will be for the APCD technical design.   A presentation for the next round of C2 funding is scheduled for this October.

APCD Purpose

Lori Zigich went over a handout adapted from the *All-Payer Claims Database Development Manual* (March 2015) describing examples of APCD Purpose from Colorado, Maine, Minnesota, Oregon, Utah, and Vermont. HIS Advisory Committee members discussed the purpose statements, and picked elements from Maine, Oregon and Vermont's purpose statements to consider for New Mexico and to provide for stakeholder engagement as a starting point. Specifically, members synthesized the following:

> "…create and maintain a useful, objective, reliable and comprehensive health information database that is used to improve the health of Maine citizens and to issue reports." (Maine)

> "c) Allowing health care policymakers to make informed choices. h) Assisting the administrator in furthering the health policies expressed by the Legislative Assembly…." (Oregon)

> "(D) comparing costs between various treatment settings and approaches; (E) providing information to consumers and purchases of health care…" (Vermont)

A reminder was provided that APCD will not have all the health data but when linked with data we do have, we will have more information to add with respect to health care and health status in New Mexico.

APCD Use Cases

Use cases by stakeholder type (consumers and SB 323, providers, payers, employers, researchers, state government agencies, Indian Health Service, data linkage, and other) as presented in *A Plan for New Mexico's All-Payer Claims Database (APCD)* (March 2016) were discussed. Committee members found common themes between stakeholder types and will work to rank these as a starting point for stakeholders. Members noted that results from the consumer perspective was limited and therefore, a focus group for consumer input should be considered.

A committee member asked what Medicaid has that we can use now. Russell Toal responded with a list that included: claims information, encounter information, some amount of data from other agencies, and the ability to associate claims data with the same person to avoid duplications.

Action items

- Rank use cases.
- Compile a more complete list of stakeholders. Ask national consultant for examples of what other states included.
- Invite consumers from across the spectrum (e.g., Medicaid, uninsured) to participate in the stakeholder engagement process.
- Invite committee members to stakeholder engagement meetings.
- Hopefully present rankings from stakeholder engagement work.
- Send today's PowerPoint slides to committee members.
- Update on APCD technical design RFP and staff hires at the next meeting.

Adjourn

- Next meeting Tuesday, November 5, 1:30-3:00 pm at the New Mexico Hospital Association in Albuquerque.