

## DFSM – IHS/638 QUARTERLY FORUM MEETING SUMMARY

for May 2, 2016 1:00 to 3:00 PM Gold Room

### **Attendees:**

Pascua Yaqui billing team
Tuba City Regional Health Care Center
Winslow Indian Health Care Center
Fort Defiance
Phoenix Indian Medical Center
Hopi Health Care
Albuquerque Indian Dental Clinic
Gila River
Gallup NM Service Unit
Sells Service Unit
Navajo Nation
Shiprock Service Unit
Salt River

Phoenix Area IHS Tucson Area IHS

Colorado River

Neighborhood ?
North Country Healthcare
DD/DES Michelle Pollard
Community Health Associates
Patient Care Center

Circular Valley Care Native Resource Development Anne Dye, Deputy Assistant Director Albert Escobedo, Claims Operations Administrator Evie Grunwald, Administrator, Policy/Audit/Education Peter Temaat, Research & Analysis Karen Grady, UM/CM Manager Melina Solomon, UM/CM Supervisor John Archunde, Manager, Adjudication, Research & Testing Markay Adams, Administrator, Behavioral Health Care Patricia Krotenberg, Manager, Third Party Accounts Lupe Lerma, Manager, Administrative Services Leonor Arvizo, Supervisor, Imaging, Data Entry

Arlyn Valencia, Training

Welcome and Roll Call	Anne Dye
Data Analysis & Research	Peter Temaat is our new Data Analysis & Research Manager
Prior Authorizations & TRBHA	Melina Solomon  DFSM will now perform the PAs for TRBHA services
UM/CM Transportation Policy	Karen Grady Melina Solomon  Slide presentation is available for viewing on the AHCCCS website at https://www.azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/Downloads/Handouts/UMCMpresentation5216.pdf  Question: Once medical necessity documentation is submitted for a service beyond the nearest IHS/638 facility and the PA is approved, is it required for the facility/provider to resubmit the documentation for subsequent follow-up visits?  Answer: The AHCCCS staff has the ability to look back for documentation on a previous PA, if there is a new authorization request for a follow up service. If the previous documentation is insufficient to support the medical necessity for the continued follow up visits, additional information may be requested.  Question: Does the member have to give the transportation provider or driver the names of the medications in order to be transported for a pharmacy visit?  Answer: No, this information is the member's Protected Health Information (PHI) and it is not appropriate for non-emergency transportation providers to have any member's PHI.  Question: Why does the referral documentation have to go to AHCCCS and not to the non-emergency transportation provider and drivers to
	Answer: It is inappropriate for the non-emergency transport provider and drivers to have access to a member's PHI, such as diagnosis, treatment, medical records, etc.

Pharmacy Limits and NDCs	

Albert Escobedo Evie Grunwald

Pharmacy clinic visit claims are to be billed on the UB-04 with revenue code 0519 and the facility's NPI as the attending provider.

Pharmacy clinic visit is limited to 1 per date of service, per recipient, regardless of how may covered pharmacy services are rendered.

The pharmacy clinic visit can be one of the daily limit of 5 clinic visits.

Effective with date of service 7/1/2016 the pharmacy visit claims must be billed with the National Drug Code (NDC) for each medication/vaccine service. Any pharmacy claim billed with 0519 revenue code must have the NDCs for each medication or vaccine. Do <u>not</u> bill with 0519 revenue code if the clinic visit isn't pharmacy.

When billing the pharmacy visit with multiple lines of NDCs, the first line must be a valid NDC and a covered services, billed amount is the AIR

Currently we are still testing the system and further billing instructions and updates will be provided via ListServ emails.

All facilities are encouraged to send test claims prior to 7/1.

There will be a series of ListServ emails with updates and billing instructions – make sure your facility's billing staff are signed up to receive these emails!! (see next item)

# List Serve email notices

Albert Escobedo

As an AHCCCS provider, you should be signed up to receive emails regarding important provider notices and updates.

To sign up for the ListServ emails, go to the AHCCCS webpage and follow the instructions

https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/AHCCCSlistserve.html

### Recycle AIR and Pharmacy Claims

Albert Escobedo

#### AIR Recycles

In April the AIR recycle was started. The attending provider March system promote caused the claims that were billed with a non-registered AHCCCS NPI to deny and the claims were recouped.

#### Attending Provider

In April a report was ran to identify any claims that denied for attending provider. Those claims were recycled and paid. This accounts for the provider getting a recoupment on one remit and then paying on another remit.

#### Pharmacy

Effective with date of service July 1, 2016, AHCCCS implemented the new billing requirement for IHS/638 outpatient pharmacy claims.

The AIR must be billed on the 1<sup>st</sup> line with the revenue code 0519 and a valid NDC for a covered pharmacy services; subsequent lines must be billed with the revenue code and NDC and can be billed with \$0.00.

If the first line billed with AIR is an invalid NDC the claim will deny. To avoid a denial, the 1<sup>st</sup> line billed with AIR *must* be a valid NDC *and* an AHCCCS covered pharmacy service.

## Questions & Answers

DFSM staff

<u>Question</u>: the AHCCCS system shows that a recipient has other coverage, but we show there is no other coverage. Who do we contact to get the recipient's information updated?

<u>Answer</u>: The January 2016 Claims Clues has an article explaining how/who/where to get the other coverage information updated, available online at

https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/Downloads/ClaimsClues/2016/Jan\_2016.pdf

Question: How do we bill electronically with the attending provider?

Response: see the AHCCCS 837 Standard Companion Guide available on the website at

https://www.azahcccs.gov/Resources/Downloads/EDIchanges/AZ837FFS\_CG\_v01\_201106\_DRAFT.pdf

For Attending Provider information, refer to the 9/8/2015 IHS/638 Forum handouts available on the website at

https://azahcccs.gov/AmericanIndians/Downloads/Handouts/9815IHS638ForumAttendingProv.pdf

Important items for calling in to the next Forum meeting:

- do not place your phone on "hold" your "hold" music causes ALL callers to hear nothing but your music
- we will ensure that the Go To Meeting will be set up to accommodate all remote participants

Please submit agenda items you want presented. When no agenda topics are suggested, we do our best to prepare presentations that are meaningful, but *your* suggestions are always preferred!