



**DOCUMENTATION FOR FEBRUARY 2026**  
**JOINT TECHNICAL WORK GROUP MEETINGS**

For a copy of the Work Group schedule, please visit the NCPDP website at <https://standards.ncdp.org/Standards/media/pdf/WGSchedule.pdf>

To help prepare for the work group meetings, documentation is available on the NCPDP website. The individual work group pages of working documents are below. Review of the documentation (available on each Work Group page) prior to the meeting will provide helpful background. Some documents are still being developed and may not yet be available on the specified page. Please check back before the work group meetings. All Work Group materials, including DERFs, are available at <https://member.ncdp.org/Work-Group-Meeting-Materials>. Ballot documentation is available on each Work Group page, as applicable. Project Development Forms are available on the Maintenance and Control (MC) page.

**DERFs and New Project Development Forms:**

Data Element Request Forms (DERFs) and New Project Development Forms submitted for review during the Work Group Meetings scheduled for February 11-13, 2026, in Louisville, KY, were made available on the website beginning January 28, 2026. To view and download the DERFs, log in to MyNCPDP and access them from the Work Group Meeting Materials link under Lookup Tools and Quick Links or go to Work Group Lookup, select MC Maintenance and Control page and scroll down for the DERFs. For access to the information, either download the zip file containing all the DERFs or click on each item and download a copy. Project Development Forms are available on the MC page. If you have any questions or need clarification on a DERF, please contact the Work Group Co-Chairs or the individual identified in the "submitter" section of the DERF.

Note the following DERFs are External Code List<sup>®</sup> (ECL) requests and will be discussed in the Work Group identified and voted on in MC Maintenance and Control.

002071/ECL 000464	002087/ECL 000471
002083/ECL 000468	002088/ECL 000472
002086/Emergency ECL 000470	

Please review the DERF/External Code List<sup>®</sup> Process at <https://standards.ncdp.org/Our-Process.aspx>.

If you are unable to attend the work group meeting, but have substantive comments on a DERF/ECL, please send those comments to the assigned Work Group Co-Chairs and Standards Development staff.

The final review of all DERFs is held in MC Maintenance and Control where modifications may be made.

<b>PENDED DERF/ECL</b>	<b>REQUEST</b>	<b>WORK GROUP ASSIGNMENT</b>
002071/ECL 000464	Requests new values for Reject Code (511-FB) on behalf of a state Medicaid plan to assist in identifying a more specific cause of the rejection.	WG1
002083/ECL 000468 <i>Withdrawn</i>	Requests a new Reject Code (511-FB) value to clearly identify that a Medicare Prescription Payment Plan transaction is being rejected because it was billed for a previous plan year.	WG1
<b>NEW DERF/ECL</b>	<b>REQUEST</b>	<b>WORK GROUP ASSIGNMENT</b>
002086/Emergency ECL 000470	Requests a modification to existing Reject Code (511-FB) value 985 for communicating the reject occurred because the beneficiary has a WCMSA based on information the plan received from CMS. This Emergency ECL DERF also requests a new Submission Clarification Code (420-DK) value that may be used if the pharmacy is notified by the member or WCMSA administrator and attests the claim cannot be paid under the WCMSA.	WG1
002087/ECL 000471	Requests the creation of a new Reject Code (511-FB) value to indicate that a product must be dispensed specifically at a mail order pharmacy.	WG1
002088/ECL 000472	Requests the creation of a new Reject Code (511-FB) value to indicate the Total Prescribed Quantity Remaining submitted does not match the Total Prescribed Quantity Remaining on file with the processor.	WG1
002089	Requests to create more guidance around the use of the Sender Software information found in message headers in the JSON Implementation Guide <sup>®</sup> and to create an optional element called SoftwareSenderOperator.	WG11
002090	Requests to make components of AddressLine1 and City mandatory in RxTransfer transactions and modify PharmacyTransfer component to point to MandatoryAddressType.	WG11
002091	Requests to add a Boolean element of PrescriptionPreviouslyTransferred to indicate whether the prescription has been transferred in the past.	WG11
002092	Requests to create a new ClaimSubstitutionCode field to the RxTransfer/MedicationTransferred/MedicationDispensed loop.	WG11
002093	Requests to add existing ReasonCode values to ReasonCode17 for use in a denied RxTransfer or RxTransferConfirm transaction.	WG11

**Of Special Note:**

**Morning Briefing**

Attendees will hear:

- Awards Announcements
- A preview of each day's work group sessions
- Updates for:
  - NCPDP Board

- SNIP Committee
- HIPAA
- NCPDP Foundation

### **NCPDP EDvocacy Update**

The NCPDP EDvocacy Update is scheduled for Thursday, February 12, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

### **CMS Discussion**

The CMS Discussion is scheduled for Friday, February 13, 2026, from 8:40 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Documents**

Multiple task groups develop Frequently Asked Questions documents for Work Group review and publication. These FAQs should be reviewed prior to Work Group meetings, as discussion time is limited.

### **SPECIFIC WORK GROUP DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

The detailed work group documentation is accessible from either the Member Login/Work Group Lookup page or the [Work Group Meeting Materials page](#) for access to all Work Group zip files on one page. Each page has a February 2026 Work Group Materials link to a zip file for download. **Please note, you may need to check website pages just before the work group meetings, as recent work is being posted in the zip files.**

Previous meeting minutes are also available on each Work Group page.

### **WG1 Telecommunication**

Work Group 1 Telecommunication develops and maintains standards and guidelines to accommodate the collection, transmission and processing of information that may be exchanged electronically or in written formats. The information exchanged may be used for, but is not strictly limited to, such purposes as administering and certifying eligibility, establishing prior authorization for products and services, pharmacy claim billing, pharmacy services billing, payment determination, denial of compensation with explanations, drug use review, determination of benefits and the exchange of adjudicated data between business associates.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG1 will address all voting items:

- Telecommunication FAQ Task Group
  - FAQs
- Coordination of Benefits Task Group
  - FAQs
- Clinical and Safety Edit Task Group
  - FAQ
- Post Adjudication Task Group
  - Updated scope statement
- Benefit Integration Task Group
  - Benefit Integration White Paper
- Pended DERFs
  - 002071/ECL 000464
  - 002083/ECL 000468 - Withdrawn
- New DERFs
  - 002086/Emergency ECL 000470
  - 002087/ECL 000471
  - 002088/ECL 000472

WG1 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG1 page include:**

- 202602 WG1 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
  - FAQs
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation.

**WG2 Product Identification**

Work Group 2 Product Identification deals with issues relating to the identification of drugs and health related products within NCPDP's stated mission. Identification consists of how the product is billed (billing units, package size designations), product identification systems and any type of descriptive data which serves to uniquely identify a product with the intent to establish standards for product identification such that there is no ambiguity in distinguishing one product from another.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG2 will address all voting items:

- Product Review and Billing Unit Exception Task Group
  - QUIC Form 202503
  - QUIC Form 202508

WG2 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG2 page include:**

- 202602 WG2 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
  - QUIC Forms
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation

**WG9 Government Programs**

Work Group 9 Government Programs, in conjunction with Work Group 1 Telecommunication and other work groups, as necessary, guides and advises federal and state pharmacy programs and their agents on NCPDP standards. WG9 also supports data processing initiatives and provides design alternatives for standards which support government requirements.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG9 will address all voting items:

- Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Task Group
  - Publication of PMP Tracking Document on NCPDP website
- Medicare Prescription Payment Plan Program Task Group
  - FAQs
- Medicare Financial Information Reporting (FIR) Task Group
  - Transition Guidance for Automated TrOOP Balance Transfer FIR v12 to v15

WG9 will also:

- Address Internal Control Number (993-A7) questions from the WG1 Coordination of Benefits Task Group

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG9 page include:**

- 202602 WG9 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - PMP State Tracking Document
  - FAQs
  - Transition Guidance for Automated TrOOP Balance Transfer FIR v12 to v15
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation.

**WG10 Professional Pharmacy Services**

Work Group 10 Professional Pharmacy Services develops and publishes best practices for communication standards or exchange and use of data to: support consistent delivery of direct patient care services, enable interoperability, encourage patient and care team engagement along with fostering patient safety to optimize outcomes. Work Group 10 is a resource on pharmacy practice able to consult or provide input on standards development, maintenance, and evolution.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG10 will:

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG10 page include:**

- 202602 WG10 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation

**WG11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions**

Work Group 11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions develops standardized messages for prescribers, pharmacists, payers and/or other interested parties to exchange information related to a prescribing event or patient encounter.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG11 will address all voting items:

- Electronic Prior Authorization (ePA) Task Group
  - Request updates to the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Document
- Formulary and Benefit Task Group
  - Will seek approval of the Formulary and Benefit Standard V60<sup>®</sup> Examples Guide v10
- RxChange Task Group
  - Request updates to the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Document
- RxTransfer Task Group
  - DERFS
    - 002090
    - 002091
    - 002092
    - 002093
  - Request updates to the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Document
- XML and JSON Task Group
  - DERF 002089

- Request to disband
- WG14/11 LTPAC ePrescribing Task Group
  - Request updates to the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendation Document

WG11 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG11 page include:**

- 202602 WG11 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation

**WG14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC)**

Work Group 14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC), in conjunction with the other work groups, guides and advises payers, processors and providers of the long-term care industry and institutional pharmacy programs and their agents on standards implementation and supports data processing initiatives.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG14 will:

- Hear updates from task groups
- Hear an industry update

**Documents available on the WG14 page include:**

- 202602 WG14 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation.

**WG19 Standards Coordination**

Work Group 19 NCPDP Standards Coordination creates and maintains the development of NCPDP standards, implementation guides and reference documents, which cross and impact other NCPDP standards, implementation guides and reference documents maintained by other NCPDP Work Groups. The work group also proposes global changes to standards maintained by other NCPDP Work Groups.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG19 will address all voting items:

- API Task Group
  - Name change
  - Scope change
- Real Time Prescription Benefit Standard<sup>®</sup> Task Group
  - FAQs

WG19 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups

**Documents available on the WG19 web page include:**

- 202602 WG19 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation

## **WG20 Coordination of Care and Innovation**

WG20 Coordination of Care and Innovation identifies, promotes, and scales NCPDP standards to promote patient-centered care across the spectrum of healthcare delivery. Collaborates with all work groups and other Standard Development Organizations (SDOs) to enhance standards to accomplish identified care coordination goals. Innovates in support of current and future advances in patient care across all healthcare providers including pharmacists.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG20 will address the following voting item:

- WG20 Pharmacist/Pharmacy EHR Definition Sub-Task Group
  - Request approval of the Pharmacy EHR STG Resource Document

WG20 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups

### **Documents available on the WG20 web page include:**

- 202602 WG20 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Pharmacy EHR STG Resource Document
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation.

## **WG45 External Standards Assessment and Implementation Guidance**

Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment and Implementation Guidance reviews, assesses and works to continually monitor the development of standards and/or operating rules by other Standards Development Organizations (SDOs) and/or other Non-NCPDP entities that may impact the pharmacy industry. The Work Group

- Communicates SDO and other external entities' developments and identifies actions that may be needed by this or other NCPDP work groups. These include, but are not limited to, X12 Implementation Guides and International Committee for Information Technology Standards (INCITS).
- Develops and maintains guidelines for the pharmacy industry to accommodate pharmacy implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and Affordable Care Act (ACA) mandated electronic data interchange (EDI) transactions and operating rules not developed by NCPDP as determined by the membership.
- Contributes to the development and maintenance of operating rules that impact the pharmacy industry.

To this end, Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment and Implementation Guidance will collaborate with other SDOs, operating rules entities or other non-NCPDP entities to provide the pharmacy perspective and represent the industry needs in the development of standards and guidelines.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, WG45 will address all voting items:

- 834/835 FAQ Task Group
  - New FAQ

WG45 will also:

- Hear updates from task groups
- Receive the following reports:

- Industry Updates (WEDI, NCPDP SNIP, X12, CAQH Core, HL7®)

**Documents on the WG45 web page include:**

- 202602 WG45 zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
  - FAQ
  - Industry Updates
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation.

**MC Maintenance and Control**

MC Maintenance and Control monitors and maintains the development of NCPDP standards, implementation guides and reference documents, promotes consistent business and technical administration, makes recommendations to the Standardization Co-Chairs on development procedures, due process compliance, as well as ethical and legal matters. MC provides a forum for updates of work group activities, resolution of inter-Work Group issues and discussion of legislative, regulatory, policy and court decisions which may affect the pharmacy industry.

During the February Joint Technical Work Group meetings, MC will address all voting items:

- DERFs from Work Groups

MC will also:

- Hold a TEFCFA & QHIN Q&A Webinar Follow-up
- Hear updates from task groups
- Hear recaps of the work group sessions

**Documents available on the MC page include:**

- 202602 MC zip file containing
  - Agenda
  - Task Group Recaps
- See [web page](#) for all available documentation