

## Joint Technical Work Group

### WORK GROUP RECAPS

February 2025

For results of Data Element Request Forms (DERFs) and External Code List (ECLs) reviewed see DERF Resolution at <https://member.ncpdp.org/work-groups.aspx?ID=wgmc>.

### Work Group 1 Telecommunication

DERFs Reviewed:

- DERF 002050/ECL 000452 was recommended to MC to pend.

Task Groups:

- The **Telecommunication FAQ Task Group** reviewed one DERF and the Medicaid Prescriber Validation Flow and Matrix. They also responded to a question about a new state regulation for reporting patient responsibility/cost sharing for new covered services and disbanded WG1 Adjudicated Program Type Sub-Task Group.
- The **P and C/WC Monitoring, Billing and Education Task Group** did not meet this quarter. A copy of the latest legislative and regulatory updates presented at Work Group can be found in the WG1 download materials
- The **Coordination of Benefits (COB) Task Group** received approval to publish a new COB example and update existing COB examples in the *Telecommunication Version F6 Examples Guide*. The task group responded to a question indicating the Days Supply (405-D5) should not change between the primary and any downstream payers. A WG1 COB F6 Webinar Sub-Task Group was formed to create the content for and present a webinar later this year focused on *COB Transactions for NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Version F6*.
  - The **COB F6 Webinar Sub-Task Group** established their scope and reviewed past COB webinars for ideas for a new webinar focused on COB processing using NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Version F6. The sub-task group has developed an outline and is working on detailed content.
- The **Information Reporting (N) Transactions Task Group** submitted the *Overview of the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coordination of Benefits (COB) Process V2* to the NCPDP internal review team for approval. The task group discussed questions from the WG9 Medicare Prescription Payment Plan (M3P) Program Task Group about latent N transactions and impacts to the M3P transactions. They also reviewed the true out of pocket (TrOOP) cost accounting CMS memo, discussed situations where retail pharmacies are submitting COB claims with different NPIs and continued to remind members to update the annual Automated TrOOP Balance Transfer (ATBT) and Nx Report Distribution List produced by Relay Health.
- The **Definition of a Valid Prescriber Task Group** created a Medicaid prescriber matrix and flow diagram based on previous work group discussion and received approval to publish the matrix and flow diagram in the *Telecommunication Version D and Above Questions, Answers and Editorial Updates*. The task group received approval to sunset question three from section 22.22.3 in the *Telecommunication Version D and Above Questions, Answers and Editorial Updates*. They also continued monitoring the publication and notification of updates to the CMS Preclusion List.
- The **Benefit Integration Task Group** continued their review of the Benefit Integration Implementation Guide and the layout document.

- The **Clinical and Safety Edits Task Group** did not meet this quarter. The task group will meet next quarter to revisit the sunset Reason for Service Code (439-E4) value CH – Call Help Desk and determine what to do when there are more than eight Reason for Service Code values needed on a transaction.
- The **Telecommunication Agility Next Generation (TANG) Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Pharmacy Services Billing Task Group** sent out multiple communications advertising the newly published *NCPDP Implementation of Telecommunication Standard vD.0 Service Billing Transactions for Pharmacist Professional Services Guidance Document*. The task group also began discussing the potential need for reject codes specific to service billing and the risks with duplicate description across Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes.
- The **Eligibility Verification Enhancements Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Expanded Dollar Fields Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Post Adjudication Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Standardized Subrogation Task Group** updated transition guidance from Medicaid Subrogation to Batch Standard Subrogation based on the SNIP Committee's feedback.
- The **Universal Claim Form (UCF) Task Group** conducted a straw poll to gauge the industry's interest in splitting the implementation guide into one version for the UCF and one version for the Workers' Compensation UCF and a poll for ECL value placement (i.e., embedded within the data elements or listed in their own section). Based on the results, the membership would like to keep both UCF forms in the same implementation guide and list the ECL values in their own section.

#### Other Reportables:

- **DSMO Change Request:** Topic update can be found in the WG1 download materials.
- Sharon Gruttadauria of CVS Health provided a SNIP Committee update and talked about standards implementation timelines. Timelines and the committee recap can be found in the WG1 download materials.
- NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Version F6 certified members were recognized.
- Margaret Weiker of NCPDP presented the location and function of several new Telecommunication Standard Version F6 documents.

#### New Business:

- The work group received a presentation on package size change to Teriparatide.
- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 2 Product Identification

#### Task Groups:

- The **Product Review and Billing Unit Exception Task Group** reviewed one QUIC Form. The task group sent a letter and guidance document to AdvaMed regarding reformatting the Device Identifier (DI) portion of the Unique Device Identifier (UDI). A presentation was given about the package size change for Forteo and Teriparatide injection and the issues and challenges these changes present to the industry. Additionally, the task group continued to review adalimumab products and address emergency use authorization (EUA) products listed in the compendia databases.
- The **Naming Standards for Drugs, Biologics and Biosimilars Task Group** reviewed the results of the International Harmonization of Biosimilar Naming Survey. There were only 10 responses to the survey, making meaningful interpretation of the results difficult.

- The **WG2 Dates Associated with Pharmaceutical Products Task Group** completed reviewing the *Dates Associated with Pharmaceutical Products* white paper. The white paper was approved by the work group.

Other Reportables:

- **WG19 REMS Workflow to Transaction Task Group, WG19 NDC Scarcity Task Group, WG19 Digital Therapeutics Task Group** and **WG19 No Rx Transaction Processing Task Group**: Recaps for these task groups can be found in the WG2 download materials.

New Business:

- New QUIC Form Review:
  - QUIC #202414 Tabelecleucel  
**WG2 approved assignment of BU = EA per section 5.1.7 of the BUS with a package size of 1 EA.**
- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 7 Manufacturer and Associated Trading Partner Transaction Standards

Task Groups:

- The **Manufacturer Rebates Standard Task Group** discussed next steps for making updates to the *NCPDP Reference Guide to Rebate Processing, Validation, and Dispute Resolution* for situations involving the use of the Manufacturer Rebate Standard versions greater than v07.01. .
- The **Specialty Pharmacy Data Exchange Task Group** continued the discussion of the status file and the statuses in the global status file.
- The **Medical Rebate Standard Task Group** did not meet this quarter.

New Business:

- A request was made to disband Work Group 7. A motion was made, seconded and carried. The request to disband Work Group 7 was approved and will go to the Standardization Committee and Board of Trustees for approval.
- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 9 Government Programs

DERF Reviewed:

- DERF 002051 approved as modified.

Task Groups:

- The **Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Task Group** continued monitoring state prescription monitoring program (PMP) activity and updated the State PMP Tracking Document, which was approved by WG9 for publication on the NCPDP website.
- The **Medicare Part D Coordination of Benefits Other Health Insurance (COB-OHI) Data Sharing Task Group** discussed the 2025 Annual Full Refresh File, continued making updates to the COB Industry Updates spreadsheet and reviewed CMS guidance.
  - The **Workers' Compensation Medicare Set-Aside Arrangement (WCMSA) Sub-Task Group** created a change request for an NDC companion file to the COB-OHI file submitted to the Benefits Coordination and Recovery Center (BCRC) by CMS.
  - The **Daily Transaction Reply Report (DTRR) Sub-Task Group** discussed DTRR file layout changes for 2025, which will be effective April 1, 2025. The task group also discussed

outstanding DTRR issues and open help desk tickets.

- The **Hospice Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Medicare Financial Information Reporting (FIR) Task Group** continued to remind members to update the annual Automated TrOOP Balance Transfer (ATBT) and Nx Report Distribution List produced by Relay Health. The list was distributed via the Collaborative Workspace twice weekly until January 15, 2025. The task group also discussed T\*1A and T\*C2 errors.
- The **Medicare FAQ Task Group** continued discussions on the gaps between coverage for Medicare Part B and Medicare Part D, worked through questions from the WG9 Medicaid FAQ Task Group related to the Best Available Evidence (BAE) form and began reviewing the *Telecommunication Version D and Above Questions, Answers and Editorial Updates* for obsolete Medicare information to align with version F6.
  - The **Insulin Pump Sub-Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Medicare Prescription Payment Plan Program Task Group** modified FAQ 3.17 and began drafting a new FAQ. The task group reviewed CMS regulation CMS-4208-P and submitted comments in response.
- The **Maximum Fair Price (MFP) Task Group** reviewed and discussed CMS proposed Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARC) values. X12 approved the proposed CARC description - Medicare Maximum Fair Price Standard Default Refund Amount Adjustment. At least one Remark Code must be provided (may be comprised of either the NCPDP Reject Reason Code, or Remittance Advice Remark Code that is not an ALERT.) Usage: To be used only for the Medicare Drug Price Negotiation Program.. The RARC values have not yet been approved.
- The **Medicare Prescription Drug Event (PDE) Task Group** reviewed eight CMS memos related to PDE reporting for 2025 and 2026. The task group closed six questions previously submitted to CMS, resubmitted six outstanding questions and submitted three new questions for CMS review.
- The **Medicaid Pharmacy Encounters Reporting Standard Task Group** brought forth DERF 002051 for a new version of the Medicaid Pharmacy Encounters Reporting Standard to align with updates needed for Telecommunication VF6. DERF 002051 was approved as modified by the work group.
- The **Medicaid FAQ Task Group** reviewed the Medicaid Visio flow and matrix created by the WG1 Definition of a Valid Prescriber Task Group, as well as a question from the same task group about NPI type accepted by Medicaid plans.

#### New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

### Work Group 10 Professional Pharmacy Services

#### Task Groups:

- The **MTM and Pharmacist Clinical Services Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Pharmacogenomics Task Group** completed a draft of the pharmacogenomics white paper, which is currently undergoing a second review by the task group. They continued to review the *Future of Precision Medicine* slide deck. They are creating a DERF for new Reject Code (511-FB) values to reflect pharmacogenomics testing.
- The **WG14/WG10 Standardized Medication Profile Task Group** continued to work on drafting a white paper or guidance document to assist application programming interface (API) vendors with how to access medication lists and perform medication reconciliation.
- The **Identification of Social Determinants of Health Task Group** did not meet this quarter.

- The **WG10/WG11 Patient Consent Task Group** completed and sent the response letter to Washington state Senate Bill 5213. The task group is reviewing and discussing potential patient consent use cases and has developed a scenario grid, which is available on the NCPDP Collaborative Workspace. The task group discussed other consent related activities. Consent is being discussed through multiple avenues to align with how the task group relates to and/or overlaps with larger discussions in the industry by organizations such as Stewards of Change Institute, ONC FAST FHIR® and TECCA/QHIN.
- The **mL White Paper Task Group** finalized the survey and accompanied cover letter to chain drug stores on current policies and practices concerning universal adoption of metric-only dosing instructions on prescription container labeling for oral liquid medications. The National Association of Chain Drug Stores (NACDS) agreed to disseminate the survey on NCPDP's behalf to its US member companies. The task group worked on a newly revised and simplified scope statement, which was pended by the work group back to the task group for further clarification. The task group continued discussions about engaging a major prescription processing technology company to determine whether their prescription data on oral liquid medication prescriptions can be analyzed to provide quantitative insights concerning adoption of mL-only dosing from the point of prescribing to dispensing.

Other Reportables:

- **WG1 Pharmacy Services Billing Task Group, WG14 Consultant Pharmacist Interoperability Task Group and WG20 Health Equity Task Group:** Recaps for these task groups can be found in the WG10 download materials.

New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions

DERFs Reviewed:

- DERF 002052 was approved.
- DERF 002053 was pended.

Task Groups:

- The **ePrescribing Regulatory Task Group** disbanded.
- The **Formulary and Benefit Task Group** continued working on the examples document for the Formulary and Benefit Standard V60. A straw poll was conducted to determine if any pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) were planning on implementing the new Drug Tier elements in V60. The unanimous response was undecided to the questions. They will finalize the examples document and continue working on transition guidance and updating the *Formulary and Benefit Implementation Recommendations* document.
- The **Implementation of Structured Sig Task Group** continued a discussion of adding the new elements for a therapy start date and a duration end date, which they will continue working on during the next quarter.
- The **Pharmacy Product Locator Task Group** brought forth DERF 002054, which was pended in WG19 NCPDP Standards Coordination and Maintenance and Control, to add Hub Service Provider to the NCPDP Entities Dictionary. They continued focusing on Use Case #3, which is a prescriber asking a pharmacy if they have medication in stock. The task group determined compounds are out of scope. The task group will monitor the pilot and respond to questions and updates to the transactions. They will also begin discussing the next use case.

- The work continues on the pilot for the Pharmacy Product Availability (PPA) Standard. Organizations interested in being part of the pilot should email [pilot@ncpdp.org](mailto:pilot@ncpdp.org).
- The **Prior Authorization Workflow-to-Transactions Task Group** brought forth DERF 002502. The task group will continue working on the review of the current examples and begin working on prior authorization transition guidance during the next quarter.
- The **RxChange Task Group** reviewed the current ReasonCode values and DenialReason. A straw poll was conducted to determine whether either ReasonCode or DenialReason should be made mandatory. The straw poll results indicated the ReasonCode should be mandatory on a Denied Response for RxChange only. The task group will continue working on ReasonCode values and DenialReason and new MessageRequestCode and MessageRequestSubCode values during the next quarter.
- The **SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Task Group** continued working on the addition and reactivation of QuantityUnitOfMeasure code values as well as the V2023011 timeline. The task group received approval to publish an FAQ related to the use of date and time in the WrittenDate for the NewRx transaction in the *SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations* document. Updates to the QuantityUnitOfMeasure section were approved. These updates include adding or reinstating Inhaler, International Units, Microgram, Milligram, Nebule, Pre-Filled Pen Syringe, Syringe and Vial effective for use on March 1, 2026. The guidance for QuantityUnitOfMeasure was approved for publication in the *SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations* document.
  - The **RxRenewal Review Sub-Task Group** continued reviewing what elements can be changed for the response of ApprovedWithChanges verses the response of Replace and will be working on a DERF for updated guidance for RxRenewal. They received approval for FAQs to be added to the *SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations* document. The FAQs include questions on RetractionWithdrawal of a RxRenewalRequest and how a prescriber should respond to a follow up request when the original RxRenewalRequest had already been responded to. The expected timeframe for a pharmacy to receive a response to a RxRenewalRequest FAQ was pending back to the task group for additional work.
  - The **RxTransfer Sub-Task Group** continued working on the RxTransfer examples to ensure the examples are clear and correct. In addition, they answered questions related to DigitalSignature and its use in RxTransfer. They received approval to publish FAQs in the *SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations* document. The FAQs include the use of DigitalSignature and DigitalSignatureIndicator in the RxTransfer transaction. One FAQ was denied because it was thought to be duplicative of two of the other questions. The task group will continue working on the examples and some updates to the implementation guide for next quarter.
  - The **Transition Guidance Sub-Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **XML and JSON Task Group** continued the work necessary to move the XML schema to the JSON format. The task group is currently working on updated implementation guides for the SCRIPT and Specialized Standards and has drafted a new JSON Standard Implementation Guide. The task group also reviewed the DERFs submitted for WG11 approval during the February Work Group and assisted in the creation of the JSON schema and API for the Pharmacy Product Locator Pilot. The task group will continue working on a DERF to move SCRIPT, Specialized and XML Standards to JSON and the sunset of the current XML schema.
- The **WG10/WG11 Patient Consent Task Group** completed and sent the response letter to Washington state [Senate Bill 5213](#). The task group is reviewing and discussing potential patient consent use cases and has developed a scenario grid, which is available on the NCPDP Collaborative Workspace. The task group discussed other consent related activities. Consent is being discussed through multiple avenues to align with how the task group relates to and/or

overlaps with larger discussions in the industry by organizations such as Stewards of Change Institute, ONC FAST FHIR® and TEFCQ/QHIN.

- The **WG14/WG11 LTPAC ePrescribing Task Group** began the review process to move the section “Long-Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC) Medication Change Process” under the Transactions chapter to its own chapter with the suggested title “Long-Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC) Related Business Practices” in the SCRIPT Implementation Guide. As part of Topic 51, the task group will review Topic 52 the DrugAdministration Transaction Section. Additionally, the task group discussed Topic 79 New Date for OtherMedicationDate. The task group will provide input to the WG11 SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Task Group to discuss future cancel dates and write guidance on future date use with OtherMedicationDate if it is supported or what to do if it is not supported.
- **WG19 API Task Group, WG19 Real-Time Prescription Benefit Task Group** and **WG19 REMS Workflow to Transactions Task Group**: Recaps for these task groups can be found in the WG11 download materials.

New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC)

Task Groups:

- The **LTPAC Billing Issues Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Consultant Pharmacist Interoperability Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **WG14/WG11 LTPAC ePrescribing Task Group** began the review process to move the section “Long-Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC) Medication Change Process” under the Transactions chapter to its own chapter with the suggested title “Long-Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC) Related Business Practices” in the SCRIPT Implementation Guide. As part of Topic 51, the task group will review Topic 52 the DrugAdministration Transaction Section. Additionally, the task group discussed Topic 79 New Date for OtherMedicationDate. The task group will provide input to the WG11 SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Task Group to discuss future cancel dates and write guidance on future date use with OtherMedicationDate if it is supported or what to do if it is not supported.
- The **WG14/WG10 Standardized Medication Profile Task Group** continued to work on drafting a white paper or guidance document to assist application programming interface (API) vendors on how to access medication lists and perform medication reconciliation. .

Other Reportables:

- **WG9 Medicare FAQ Task Group, WG9 Hospice Task Group** and **WG1 Clinical and Safety Edits Task Group**: Recaps are provided in the WG14 download materials.

New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 19 NCPDP Standards Coordination

DERFs Reviewed:

- DERF 002054 was pended.

Task Groups:

- The **Emergency Preparedness Task Group** continued to address concerns regarding the COVID-19 Emergency Use Authorization which ended on December 31, 2024. The task group completed the

annual review of the *NCPDP Emergency Preparedness Guidance* document, which was approved for publication by the work group.

- The **Real-Time Prescription Benefit Standard Task Group** implemented and published the Real-Time Prescription Benefit (RTPB) V13 timeline on the RTPB Standards Lookup page of the NCPDP website. The task group completed examples for the use of the CoverageStatusMessage/Coverage Status Message field for the *Examples Guide*. For international addresses, the task group created FAQs which were approved by the work group. The task group discussed inconsistencies in QuantityUnitofMeasureCode values for the same products that are causing concerns and mapping the values to billing units. They initiated discussion to determine the process, including timing, for requesting future naming of the standard by CMS. The task group disbanded the Related RTPB Law Review Sub-Task Group.
  - The **Consumer and Provider RTPB Standards Monitoring Sub-Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Digital Therapeutics Task Group** reviewed District Health Management Team (DHMT) code flows for Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) for G0552, G0553 and G0554.
- The **NDC Scarcity Task Group** reported on the NCPDP-sponsored GS1 free online webinar, “The Basics of GS1 Standards (applications of standards in pharmaceutical supply chain and the impact of NDC format changes)”, scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 2025, from 2:00pm – 3:30pm ET. The Proposed Revision to the National Drug Code (NDC) Format Survey results from 2023 were reviewed by the task group, and the survey was added to the Collaborative Workspace.
- The **COVID Post PHE Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **REMS Workflow to Transaction Task Group** continued discussing the REMSReferenceID field to gain a better understanding of the history of how this field was designed to be used and how it may be leveraged differently. The task group continued to follow the developments under HL7<sup>®</sup>'s CodeX FHIR<sup>®</sup> Accelerator of a new REMS process and workflow. They discussed creating a new DERF to add a flag field to identify a test transaction (soft check) for REMS drugs with time limits for dispensing.
- The **API Task Group** reviewed API design and changes to support the Telecommunication, SCRIPT, Benefit Integration, RTPB and Pharmacy Product Availability (PPA) standards. All standards have been converted by the task group to JSON and have a draft Open API specification. The task group developed the initial Open API for PPA based on the JSON schema. The task group made significant updates to the *Connectivity Guide* to remove the SOAP sections and add updated content for JSON and Open APIs. They generated test code based on Open API specification to ensure compatibility with popular languages such as C#, Java, JavaScript and Python.
- The **Appropriate Use of Reject Code and Coverage Restriction Code Values Task Group** reviewed the reject codes with the proposed categories of data integrity and eligibility. They also discussed use cases for appropriate categorization. Based on task group discussion, the category assigned to the reject code was either finalized or put in “parking lot” to discuss further.
- The **No Rx Transaction Processing Task Group** drafted and submitted a comment letter for the Coverage of Certain Preventive Services Under the Affordable Care Act Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) (CMS-9903-P). The proposed rule was withdrawn by CMS on January 13, 2025. The task group reviewed the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Additional Condition for Nonprescription Use (ACNU) Final Rule with an effective date of January 27, 2025. They also sent several product identifier questions to WG2 and initiated a use case discussion for a new no prescription transaction to support patient-to-plan coverage and financial communication, eliminating clinical provider interaction.
- The **USCDI Data Element Review Task Group** continued documenting decisions on data elements and code sets within the data classes for the USCDI v5 Data Classes review. The task group agreed

it may be helpful to identify NCPDP data elements needed in USCDI for interoperability at the same time existing data elements within a data class are reviewed.

New Business:

- The **WG19 Entities Dictionary Task Group** was formed to review DERF 002054, which was pended to this new task group.
- The work group received a presentation on the package size change to Teriparatide.
- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## Work Group 20 Coordination of Care and Innovation (CoCI)

Task Groups:

- The **Health Equity Task Group** discussed existing gender and sex assigned at birth data elements across all NCPDP Standards in the context of DERF 002043 and asked the submitter to withdraw the DERF. The task group also discussed possible data elements for future state and a suggestion to model the HL7® Gender Harmony terminology of Sex for Clinical Use and Recorded Sex or Gender.
- The **Admit, Discharge and Transfer (ADT) Notification for Pharmacy Task Group** was disbanded.
- The **Pharmacy Technology Innovation (PTI) Task Group** continued to discuss the results of the survey to identify the emerging technical topics. The task group discussed potential speakers for an Artificial Intelligence (AI) roundtable in the spring. The Pharmacist/Pharmacy Electronic Health Record (EHR) Definition Sub-Task Group was formed.

New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.
- The work group received a presentation entitled *Remote Patient Monitoring*.

## Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment and Implementation Guidance

Task Groups:

- The **Pharmacy and/or Combination ID Card Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **834/835 FAQ Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Document Revisions Task Group** continued reviewing the *NCPDP Pharmacy Reference Guide to the X12/005010X221A1 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice (835)* for necessary updates to align with *NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Version F6*.
- The **DSMO Task Group** received no DSMO requests for review.
- The **Benefit Coverage Identification Task Group** worked with the CORE Review Work Group (RWG) on the Eligibility & Benefits (270/271) Data Content Rule and reviewed a DERF to add Hub Services to the Entities Dictionary.
- The **Barcode Utilization Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **X12 TR3 Comment Coordination Task Group** did not meet this quarter.

Other Reportables:

- Industry updates for WEDI, NCPDP SNIP Committee, CAQH CORE, X12 and HL7 can be found in the WG45 download materials.

New Business:

- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.

## MC Maintenance and Control

DERFs/ECLs: Seven new and one pended DERFs/ECLs were reviewed (see WG1, WG9, WG11 and WG19).

- DERF 002043 was withdrawn.
- DERF 002050/ECL 000452 was pended to the WG1 Telecommunication FAQ Task Group.
- DERF 002051 was approved as modified.
- DERF 002052 was approved.
- DERF 002053 was pended to the WG11 SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Task Group.
- DERF 002054 was pended to the WG19 Entities Dictionary Task Group.
- DERF 002055 was approved.
- DERF 002056 was approved.

Task Groups:

- The **Education, Legislation and Regulations Task Group** began to review and draft NCPDP's response to the DEA Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) Docket No. DEA-407 and the draft United States Core Data for Interoperability (USCDI) v6.
- The **Non-NCPDP Code Sets Task Group** spoke with compounding subject matter experts (SMEs) about the desire to create a smaller set of values exclusively for use in Compound Dosage Form Description Code (450-EF) and FinalCompoundPharmaceuticalDosageForm from the NCPDP StrengthForm Terminology subset of the National Cancer Institute Thesaurus (NCIt). The SMEs supported the idea of a smaller list and indicated some of the values do not apply to compounds.

New Business:

- The attendees received recaps of each Work Group's activities.
- The work group received a presentation on the package size change to Teriparatide.
- The co-chairs recognized the efforts of the task group leaders with the presentation of Task Group Leader Certificates of Appreciation.