

State of Ohio
MACSIS System Implementation
Project and Operations Planning Meeting
October 5, 2006

MINUTES

Present: K. Cluggish, Jp. Martin, M. Herrel, J. Lynch, P. Eichner, B. Cluggish, L. Daniele, H. Bruce, K. Fells, J. Fraser, J. Hinks, M. Declouet

Call In: L. Clay, B. Heffner, J. McCluggage, K. Taylor, C. Fratalone, M. Glanville, C. Freeman, C. Spencer, J. Mausser, H. Thomas, S. Baker, A. Parker, T. Chambers, P. Dehner, J. Inboden, C. Neff, N. Burns, K. Schwarz, S. Greaves, B. Miller, J. Sager, P. Coates, K. McCann, J. Little, Y. Quinn, B. Tobin

Project Updates:

NPI Update and Developments: The committee reconvened to assist boards and providers in the effort to become NPI compliant by May 23, 2007. Currently a little over 50% of the providers have NPI and only 20% are testing. Boards are requested to reach out to providers since there are less than 8 months remaining before implementation. Materials are being prepared for a planned “NPI Blitz Week” tentatively scheduled for the first week in November. A survey of major software vendors indicated that all have released an NPI upgrade, except for some of those installations that utilize special versions of standard software. Boards are encouraged to help providers obtain their NPI and to begin testing as soon as possible to prevent potential cash flow problems in May when UPI files will no longer be accepted. New materials and documents will be emailed to all MACSIS listservs and the HIPAA listserv in a couple of weeks to help prepare for Blitz Week. As of October 1, the pace to meet the deadline is approval of around 75 agencies per month. Early testing and approval will ensure prompt turnaround time on test files and prevent a backlog as the deadline approaches.

NPI 835 Reporting: The summary data file is now being produced separately for providers with and without an NPI. Some boards have requested that they be combined, or that only a UPI file be produced. It was decided that only the UPI file will be produced for the near future, and boards will discuss the issue at the next OACBHA Information Management meeting on 10/17/06.

New Place of Service Codes: Two new codes have been approved: 01 for Pharmacy and 09 for Prison/Correctional Facility. Since MACSIS currently utilizes code 99 for Prison, the medical definitions for Mental Health medicaid billable services must be rewritten to adjudicate 09 along with 99. At some point in the future, 99 will no longer be used for Prison and the cutoff date will be discussed at the next OACBHA Information Management committee meeting. For now, the medical definitions will be adjusted to adjudicate both 09 and 99 to the same medef, with the expectation that the new build will be in production around November 1, 2006. Until then place of service 09 will not be a valid code and will result in a critical error. This delay is necessary because nearly half

of the boards have benefit rules that limit, hold, or exclude some services for place of service 99, so medical definitions must be revised and tested before the new code can be used.

835 Adjustment Reason Codes: National standards have been updated to expand and enhance this code set. ODADAS will be reviewing the codes to determine how long it will take to revise the 835 programs. OACBHA will appoint representatives to work with ODADAS to help build the needed crosswalk.

Medicaid Retroactive Eligibility Reports: Boards requested that these reports be produced bi-weekly instead of monthly to maximize the ability of the boards to recover FFP funds. The new bi-weekly schedule will begin on 10/16/06. The same 3 files will be produced as are currently and will be all-inclusive of any outstanding retroactive claims and members.

Server Events: The operating system on all AIX servers is being upgraded from version 5.2 to version 5.3. MHHUB will be upgraded on Friday, October 13 from 5:00 pm until 7:30 pm. Boards should not expect to have access during that time. The upgrade involves bringing the server up and down, so even if it appears that the server may be up, it will not be reliable and data may be lost. Boards are encouraged to FTP all claim files before 5 pm or after 7:30 pm to ensure transmission. MHHIPAA will be upgraded on Sunday, October 15 from noon until 2:30 pm. Boards should not access the servers until K. Fells sends out an email announcing the completion of each upgrade. Reminder about the license manager on MHHIPAA: There may be a screen warning about the Basis license if the server is accessed after the all-clear but before the licensing software is restarted. Should anyone see this screen, simply press "ENTER" and it should clear and be replaced with the normal Diamond screen.

Claims DataMart/Cognos Update: The MACSIS Claims Datamart will be updated during October, 2006. The FY 2005 data will be "frozen" and FY 2007 data will be added. The updated files will be available around November 1. Version 8 of Cognos has been installed on the test server. It is a major upgrade and the degree of "difference" is significant, both in appearance and function. The estimated time for conversion and testing is 2-3 months. When the new version is available for review, appropriate notification will occur.

MACSIS Support Desk: Melissa DeClouet has been hired as the new Support Desk employee. Spreadsheets were sent to Boards asking for updated information for all User Groups. Persons who are on the User Group lists are automatically subscribed to the corresponding listserv. Anyone who wishes to be removed from the listserv only should either email the Support Desk or "unsubscribe" via the MACSIS Home Page on the bottom right.

FY 2005 Archiving: This effort is tentatively scheduled to occur over the Christmas holiday when claims are not run. It is proposed that the archiving will occur starting around 12/22/06 and continue until finished during the following week. No EDI claims will be run on 12/25 - 12/27/2006, but normal claims processing would resume beginning

1/1/2007. This advance notice is being provided so that boards can schedule staff vacations, etc. during the down time.

User Group Updates

Members: ODMH has hired Judith Hink as the new manager for the Billing and Reimbursement section in OIS.

Claims: None.

BH: ODADAS is concerned that many providers are not collecting or completing the 2nd and 3rd Drug of Choice fields. Rather than leaving these fields blank (missing), it is requested the providers collect and report this information. Enter “none” instead of leaving the fields *blank or using Unknown, invalid and not collected*. Please refer any questions about this request to ODADAS BH staff.

ODADAS received \$250,000 grant for web-enabled Data Repository and collection to meet federal reporting needs.

The Prevention system is still in the contemplation information gathering stage. If a decision is made to develop such a system, Board and Provider input, concerns and comments will be sought.

MIS: The Fall MIS meeting was held on 9/30/06. Turnout was excellent and much was accomplished. Minutes will be distributed in the near future. The next meeting will be held in March or April, 2007, actual date as yet to be determined.

Finance: None.

Board Global Issues

None.

Special Thanks: Halbert Thomas of the Hamilton County Community Mental Health Board will be retiring October 18, 2006. Halbert’s insights and contributions to many, many efforts over the years will be sorely missed. His leadership in the NPI conversion workgroup has been especially appreciated. Congratulations, Halbert, and good luck in your future endeavors.

Next Meeting is scheduled for **November 2, 2006** from 9-11am in Room 806A in the Rhodes State Office Tower, assuming there are enough items to fill and agenda. The call-in number is (614) 644-1098. Remember, POP listserv members will be queried the week prior to this scheduled POP meeting as to whether you have questions or topics that should be discussed. Absent such need, the meeting is subject to cancellation.

