

VA Recovery Audit - Contract Implementation Conference Call Summary

Date: 11/19/2001
Time: 1:00 – 2:30 PM (EST)

Attendees *Veteran Affairs*

Thomas Wayburn, COTR, VA Recovery Audit, HAC
Ryan Lilly, Chief Financial Officer, HAC
Brendan McNamara, Programmer, HAC
Rex Gilmore, Program Specialist, VACO/HAS
Gail Graham, Director, VACO/HIM

Contractor

Richard Pectol, Vice President, Abacus Technology
John Pieters, Program Manager, Health Net
Joy Wilkie, Director, Managed Care Services, Health Net
Sharon Lopez, DRG Manager, Health Net
Padra Randall, DRG Quality Coordinator, Health Net
Craig Regalia, Manager Financial Recovery, Health Net
Kelly Foydl, Reports Specialist, Health Net

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1. Attendee Identification: Participants identified themselves. Minutes of 11/05/2001 were accepted as written with the following correction:
 - a) Review of action items: Item 2: No Payments Indicated for selected VAMC. Joy Wilkie stated that the item was not closed following the November 5th teleconference call. The revised wording is as follows: Tom Wayburn forwarded the case numbers reported by AAC on the data file for North Chicago and Houston to Joy Wilkie for data comparison. (OPEN)
2. Review of action items:
 - a) Item 1: Medical Documentation
 1. Health Net requested that a more forceful letter be provided authorizing mental health providers to disclose medical records involved with the Recovery Contract to Health Net. Tom Wayburn will draft a letter incorporating a Privacy Act statement, Congressional mandate, and the VA web site where providers may review a copy of the actual Recovery Contract. (OPEN)
 - b) Item 2: No Payments Indicated for selected VAMC
 1. Joy Wilkie reported that there were 2,076 cases reported on the AAC data file for station 537. Of these 2,076 cases only 149 were inpatient services. The AAC data file for station 580 contained 21 inpatient service cases out of a total of 383 cases. Health Net believes that these stations when compared to the number of cases reported for other similar sized stations should have more inpatient service cases than the number on the AAC data file. Tom Wayburn will refer to AAC for response. (OPEN)
 - c) Item 3: Copies of Contracts and Sharing Agreements for State of Alaska
 1. Rex Gilmore stated that at this time VISN 20 would not be providing a copy of the

contracts and sharing agreements in effect from FY 1995 through FY 2000. Rex Gilmore stated that a determination as to when VISN 20 would provide documents related to the Recovery Contract will be made in the near future. (OPEN)

3. New Business:

a) Item 1: Payment Report

1. Health Net requested that HAC send the payment report on a daily basis. Tom Wayburn and Joy Wilkie will discuss during a separate conference call on 11/19/01. (OPEN)

b) Item 2: Response to White Paper on VA DRG pricer calculation

1. Health Net inquired if VA had received their response to VA HAS White Paper regarding VA DRG pricer calculation. Tom Wayburn stated that Health Net's response to the White Paper was received and forwarded to VACO/HAS. Rex Gilmore stated that HAS is reviewing Health Net's response and a reply will be forthcoming.

c) Item 3: VA DRG Recovery Contract Meeting

1. The First Annual VA DRG Recovery Contract review meeting will be held in Denver, CO at the Health Administration Center on December 12, 2001. Tom Wayburn will prepare an agenda and notify RASC.

4. Next Call: Monday, December 3, 2001

Tom Wayburn
COTR, Recorder

