

VA Recovery Audit

Contract Implementation Conference Call Summary

Date: 1/12/04

Time: 1:00 – 1:30 PM (EST)

Attendees ***Veteran Affairs***

Jerry Simpson, AAC
Cathy Wasson, COTR, HAC
Mary Duluth, Little Rock, AR
Gail Graham, Director Health Information, VACO

Contractor

Richard Pectol, Vice President, Abacus Technology
John Pieters, VA Program Manager, Health Net
Brad Harrington, Reports Analyst, Health Net
Sharon Lopez, DRG Manager, Health Net
Janice Steenburgen, DRG Quality Coordinator, Health Net

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1) Attendee Identification: Participants identified themselves. Minutes of December 8, 2003 were accepted without correction.

***Meeting
Minutes***

2) Review of action items:

a) Item 1: Revised Recovery Amount Refunds

The reconciliation file has been received and processed by the HAC. Refunds are being issued to providers. (Closed)

b) Item 2: Response to ACO information request re: Claim for Damages

The HAC has received the reply from Abacus Technology. The Claim is currently under review by the HAC. Richard Pectol proposed a meeting to discuss the Claim at the same time as the pre-award meeting for the next contract. Cathy Wasson will research to determine if a meeting is necessary. (ECD: February 2004)

c) Item 3: Offset and Allocation Reports

Pending research into the removal of the Pend Off-Set flags. Cathy Wasson will follow up. (ECD: February 2004)

d) Item 4: New RFP for the Next Contract

The new RFP for the next contract has been let. Cathy Wasson will check with contracting to provide details regarding the type of Solicitation that is underway and the details of the process. (ECD: January 2004)

3) New Business:

a) Item 1: 2002 Update Files

Jerry Simpson will check with Jeanie Perry to verify the status of the updated 2002 records. (ECD: January 2004)

b) Item 2: Information Requests to VAMCs

HealthNet is ready to analyze supplemental 2001 and 2002 data. HN will be requesting information from the VAMCs through the VISN Coordinators. Cathy Wasson will send a message to the VISN Coordinators to provide some advanced notice and request quick turn around for the data. (ECD: January 2004)

c) Item 3: 2002 Medical Services Contract Updates

Cathy Wasson will check with the VISN to have all of the Medical Services contracts updated with Health Net for Fiscal Year 2002.

d) Item 4: New Vendors

HealthNet reported that they are finding several new vendors in the 2001 and 2002 data. Cathy Wasson will check to verify if this is appropriate. (January 2004)

e) Item 5: Mill Bill Regulations

HealthNet requested the date that VAMCs began to process Mill Bill claims. Gail Graham will forward the Directive to Cathy Wasson and Cathy will forward it to HealthNet. (ECD: January 2004)

f) Item 6: Calls Regarding Refund Checks

HealthNet reported that they are receiving calls regarding the refund checks that were issued. The providers are complaining that the HAC mailbox is full. Cathy Wasson will check with Fiscal to determine the issues. (ECD: January 2004)

Next Call 4) Next Conference Call: February 9, 2004

/s/ Cathy Wasson COTR