

Committee meeting notes

Committee Name: Health Economics Committee

Recent Meeting Date(s): October 13, 2016

Achievements/Decisions:

- The committee continued reviewing a straw proposal to surface several design issues associated with a provider-centric version of the *Different Regions, Different Care* analysis. The September proposal was modified to include improvements since obtained from the Quality Improvement Committee and the Purchaser Affinity Group.
- The committee identified additional issues and improvements:
 - Move from considering report mock-ups to examining results using real data
 - There is considerable interest in exploring an analysis that details patient migration patterns. That is, in addition to showing where patients reside, indicate the provider organization (and location) of where patients ultimately obtained their treatments.

Issues/Risks/Concerns:

- The committee identified a shortcoming in the revised straw proposal. The current formulation emphasizes market shares of delivered services. Members encouraged an additional dimension focusing on rates of procedure use centered on the provider organization. This approach will require provider attribution or other techniques to assess procedure frequency for a prescribed population base.

Upcoming Activities:

- Test straw proposal results with real data
- Conduct patient migration analysis
- Research attribution methods