**February 2016 Work Group Recaps:**

For results of Data Element Request Forms (DERFs) and External Code Set (ECLs) reviewed see DERF Resolution at http://www.ncpdp.org/members/members_wg_info.aspx?wgid=wgmc.

Work Group 1 Telecommunication

Ballot Adjudication:

- None

DERFs/ECLs Reviewed:

- DERF 001308 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001310 was withdrawn by the submitter.
- DERF 001342 was pended.
- DERF 001343 was pended.
- DERF 001344 was pended.
- DERF 001345 was pended.
- DERF 001346 was pended.
- DERF 001347/ECL 000199 was recommended that MC pend.
- DERF 001348 was pended.
- DERF 001349 was pended.
- DERF 001350 was pended.
- DERF 001351 was pended.
- DERF 001352 was pended.
- DERF 001353 was pended.
- DERF 001354 was approved.
- DERF 001355 was approved.
- DERF 001356 was pended.
- DERF 001357 was pended.
- DERF 001358 was pended.
- DERF 001359/ECL 000200 was recommended that MC pend.
- DERF 001360 was pended.

Old Business:

- Use of Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) in the Telecommunication Standard claim billing - Note this field would be required for Part D Schedule II Controlled Substance claims; however the use of this field is not limited to Part D claims only.
    - Telecom D.0 and all versions from that point have been updated (November 2012).
    - 03/2014 NCPDP received a response from HHS to the 03/2013 letter. The change will go through NPRM and Final Rule process.
        - We have asked the industry to have input on the implementation timeframe before the NPRM is published.
        - We have asked for a timeframe of NPRM publication.
    - 06/2014 Update: OESS has responded that an NPRM including Quantity Prescribed and SCRIPT electronic prior authorization is going through the review process.
    - WG1 Telecommunication FAQ Task Group brought forward a recommendation timeframe for Quantity Prescribed regulation implementation for OESS.
    - 07/21/2015 Update from NSG: Our new target for this regulation is early 2016.
    - **01/21/2016 Update** from NSG: This policy item is undergoing the rulemaking process, and at this time we are unable to give you a specific timeframe.

Task Groups:

- The **Telecommunication FAQ Task Group** finalized ten questions and five questions are under discussion. Two DERFs from WG16 were reviewed and commented on by WG1 FAQ members. There were six reportable items this quarter. The one request to add an FAQ to the Editorial Document was approved.
- The **Coordination of Benefits Task Group** reviewed two business cases and completed drafting DERFs 001342 – 001353 for the COB modifications. DERFs 001342 – 001353 were pended.
- The **Information Reporting Problems Task Group** is working on recommendations to the matching logic, hierarchy, and suggested reject codes for Bx to Nx transactions. They are completing the SPAP ADAP Data Exchange White Paper and a Best Practice Guide for Managing Medicare OHI for Prescription Drug Plans. They are also reviewing and updating the COB White Paper and have begun discussions to develop a tracking document for SPAP/ADAP issues at the State level in order to raise industry awareness around high level issues and identify potential resolutions or ways to mitigate risks.
- The **Post Adjudication Task Group** did not meet this quarter**.**
- The **Definition of a Valid Prescriber Task Group** submitted a comment letter to CMS Draft Technical Guidance, reviewed CMS Final Technical Guidance, drafted FAQ D45 for MACRA requirements, drafted FAQ/implementation guidance for CMS 4159, IFC 6107 and the Final Technical Guidance and identified open areas of concern.
- The **Part D Supplemental Payment Reporting Task Group** continues to work on a reject code guide applicable to Medicare Part D N transactions and will develop a FAQ Document. In addition, the task group is coordinating with the WG1 Information Reporting NX Matching sub-task group to determine which fields are critical for primary matching and secondary matching. Based on the results, the task group will identify the appropriate reject codes for those fields; all other reject codes that are not appropriate will be identified.
- The **Eligibility Verification Enhancements Task Group** reviewed the business case for the replacement of the HICN with the Medicare Beneficiary ID. The focus will be on the Medicare Part D E1 response but other payers' business requirements will be considered. The group is considering building a new segment for plan type information.
- The **Benefit Integration Task Group** continues work on creation of XML guidance for Benefit Integration and on the Single Book of Records.
- The **Standardized Subrogation Task Group** has been modifying the current Medicaid Subrogation Standard to create the new Standardized Subrogation Standard. The "Specific Field Discussion" section which includes both request and response data elements has been completed. The number and types of examples have been identified. The task group will continue to create the new standard and identify the modifications to the Telecommunication Standard.
- The **Usage of Submission Clarification Codes** and **Compound Task Groups** were formed.

<u>Work Group 2 Product Identification</u>

Task Groups:

- The **Structure Product Labeling Activities Task Group** tracks the activities of the SPL and offers suggestions to improve access and usability of the FDA Structured Product Label and Electronic Drug Listings. The task group has sent 20 letters to the FDA. Task Group leads reached out to FDA regarding the graphical versus the textual representation of data within the SPL and the need for the SPL processes to be in lock-step. The Drug Compendia group, that submits the monthly NSDE file to the FDA containing the NCPDP Billing Units by NDC for inclusion in the SPL,

continues to review and provide monthly validation information to the FDA. For November and December 2015, 1,262 new billing unit indexing files were generated by FDA based on the files received by the compendia and the compendia group is working on reconciling 111 NDCs.

- The **Product Review and Billing Unit Exception Task Group** is reviewing the exceptions within the Implementation Guide and issues that result from changes to existing products or release of new products. The task group:
    - Was asked to assist OrthogenRx with converting a GTIN to an 11-digit number to be used for billing purpose on a Class III Medical Device PMA for a prefilled syringe that is treated as a drug product. The task group discussed the conversion of the GTIN to an 11-digit number for billing purposes as outlined in the Product Identifiers Standard. For NCPDP usage, the GTIN is reformatted as a Universal Product Code (UPC) and converted to an 11 digit UPC.
        - Company Prefix: 0850653006
        - Global Trade Item Number (GTIN-12): 850653006016
        - Based on NCPDP proposal, the number would be: 50653-0006-01
    - Reviewed six products to determine the billing unit and package size.
    - Scripted and approved letter to Par Pharmaceutical regarding their re-use of NDC Core 9 (Labeler Code + Product Code) for products having different active ingredients or strengths on at least seven different occasions.
    - Reviewed and submitted to WG2 for adjudication two QUIC forms: (see final adjudication determination by the WG in this report).
        - QUIC #201601 Nazque NDC 12496-0009-04
        - QUIC #201602 DuoVisc NDC 08065183150 and 08065183135 and Discovisc NDC 08065183710
- The **SPL REMS Requirements Task Group** is to gather the data needed to develop a template for pharmaceutical manufacturers to use in electronic submission of all the components for risk evaluation and mitigation strategies (REMS) drugs to a central repository (DailyMed) via FDA's Structured Product Labeling system. The attendees received an update on the FDA REMS SPL pilot project for the submission of final approved Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS) and certain REMS summary information electronically in a standard Structured Product Labeling (SPL) format. The FDA received 9 applicants. There is a need to engage NCPDP to ensure all the elements as part of the structure being applied to REMS will support all the needs for Rx transactions. FDA will request a webinar through NCPDP to present the data elements and will also provide a presentation at the May 2016 Annual Conference.
- The **Dates Associated with Pharmaceutical Products Task Group** investigates definition inconsistencies, involves government agencies to make them aware of the issues, and provides education on the importance via a white paper or other means. Since November 2015 a subgroup of the task group has revamped the paper, changing the structure and refining the look and feel. The goal is to have a completed paper by April or May.
- The **Naming Standards for Drugs, Biologics and Biosimilars Task Group** reported release on August 27th of FDA's Draft guidance for industry, titled, Nonproprietary Naming of Biological Products and also a Proposed Rule: Designation of Official Names and Proper Names for Certain Biological Products. NCPDP provided comments to both in one letter posted on October 27th. The letter restates NCPDP's opposition to the nonproprietary naming of biological products and stresses the need to apply consistency in the naming conventions to all products, including biologicals. Other comments submitted were by the FTC which was very critical of the use of suffixes; USP also submitted concerns and stated their authority to naming of drug products. WHO published their final proposal in October for biologic qualifiers. They also strongly

criticized FDA for coming out with their own distinct modifier and noted the goal should be for international harmonization.

- The **Application of the Billing Unit Standard Clarification Task Group** continues to make progress in identifying the rationale used to determine the billing unit from past QUIC forms/products reviews and is capturing the rationale/reasons for those decisions. Once the forms have been reviewed and the results compiled, a guidance document will be written.
- The **Unbreakable Package Task Group** (WG9/WG2) did not meet this quarter as CMS has not responded to the task group's letter.
- An update on the **WG2/WG11 Harmonization of Prescribing and Dispensing Units Task Group** was provided. See WG11 meeting minutes.

New Business:

- QUIC Form Review:
  - QUIC #201601 Nazque NDC 12496-0009-04
    **BU=EACH with a total quantity of 4 per section 4.2.1 of the BUS**
  - QUIC #201602 DuoVisc NDC 08065183150 and 08065183135 and Discovisc NDC 08065183710
    Per Sections 5.2.2 and 5.2.9 of the BUS:
    - 08065-1837-10 Discovisc – BU=mL with a PS=1
    - 08065-1831-35 DuoVisc – BU=mL with a PS=0.75.
    - 08065-1831-50 DuoVisc – BU=mL with a PS=1.05.

    **The compendia will make the change of billing units effective on these NDCs April 1, 2016 (compendia to make change to coincide with their end of quarter files). NCPDP will announce this change and effective date of change by the compendia.**
- Formed a new **503B Guidance Task Group** as a result of the approval of the New Project Request 40 asking for the method to identify products compounded or manufactured as finished products that come out of 503B Out-source facilities. The products are not subject to the NDA requirements of the FDA.
- Formed a new **Product Service Identifier Expansion Task Group** as a result of the UDI Reimbursement Focus Group hosted by NCPDP and sponsored by FDA and AdvaMed held February 1st. This group held UDI reimbursement discussions to address regulation by FDA to remove the NHRIC code for medical devices and NDC removal from those devices. The goal of the task group will be to evaluate Product/Service ID (PSID) field length to determine the appropriate potential expansion size to accommodate existing and new codes for current and future eHealth Care transactions.

<u>WG3 Standard Identifiers and WG45 External Standards Assessment, Harmonization and Implementation Guidance Joint Meeting</u>

Task Groups

- WG3 **Health Plan ID (HPID) Task Group** was disbanded.
- WG3 **Pharmacy and/or Combination ID Card Implementation Guide Review Task Group** was approved to be moved to WG45.

New Business:

- Reviewed WG3 activities, scope and goals and active task groups and provided recommendations for assignment of the work to either WG45 or MC.

<u>Work Group 7 Manufacturer and Associated Trading Partner Transaction Standards</u>

Task Groups:

- The **Rebate Reference Guide Task Group** will evaluate and edit the latest Reference Guide to be published as an accompaniment document to the Manufacturer Rebate Standard v7.01, evaluate the possibility of extending the Reference Guide document to the newer Medical Rebate Data Submission Standard and consider merging the task group as a sub-task group within the Rebate Standard task group for increased alignment.
- The **Medical Rebate Standard Task Group** is reviewing the Medical Rebate Standard and comparing it to the Manufacturer Rebate Standard to determine if modifications are needed.
- The **Medicaid Drug Rebate Program Task Group** revised its goals to focus on documenting the overall rebate process and data flow between entities in order to understand the different types of Medicaid rebate disputes and determine the root causes.
- The **Rebate Standard Update Task Group** discussed building a scenario for the Reference Guide that addresses approaches to incorporate the Formulary and Benefit Standard, adding an alternate approach to incorporating Formulary and Benefit information on the detail claim record and looking at how the Segment fields are being used and if other new fields might be in order.
    - **Specialty Pharmacy Data Exchange Sub-Task Group** is reviewing current industry file formats (beginning with a Dispense Report Use Case) in an effort to standardize the data submitted by Specialty Pharmacy to drug manufacturers and others to support programs and agreements between the parties.
- The **Regulatory Tracking/Pedigree Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Formulary Management Survey Task Group** presented the results of the industry survey designed to gather information regarding the formulary validation process related to rebates. The task group will continue their review of the information captured and determine next steps.
- WG7 received an update from **WG9 OIG Report OEI 05-12-00540 Task Group**. See WG9 minutes.

<u>Work Group 9 Government Programs</u>

DERFs/ECLs Reviewed:

- DERF 001335/Emergency ECL 000197 was recommended MC pend.
- DERF 001361/ECL 000201 was recommended MC approve.
- DERF 001362 was pended.

Task Groups:

- The **340B Task Group** did not meet this quarter; however a task group call is scheduled to review a question from WG1 Telecommunication FAQ Task Group regarding Submission Clarification Code (420-DK) field value 20 and Basis of Cost Determination (423-DN) field value 08 and how they are different.
- The **Government Programs Encounter Reporting Standards Task Group** will compare the Batch and Post Adjudication Standards to identify common fields, as well as differences. After identifying the differences, the task group will assess the differences and determine how the field should exist within the proposed standard. Then the task group will compare State-specific layouts to a proposed standard layout to make final tweaks to the proposed layout.
- The **Health Insurance Exchange/Marketplace Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Hospice Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Medicaid Subrogation FAQ Task Group** did not meet as no new questions were received.
- The **Medicare Financial Information Reporting Task Group** brought forward questions and responses for review and approval, presented the revised Medicare Part D Non-Plan of Record

White Paper for approval and submitted DERF 001362 requesting changes to the Financial Information Reporting Implementation Guide.

- The **Medicare Part D FAQ Task Group** brought forward questions and responses for review and approval.
- The **Medicare Prescription Drug Event (PDE) Task Group** reported on current questions under review, questions submitted to CMS and pending new questions.
- The **Medicare Standardized Fraud, Waste and Abuse Training Attestation Task Group** finalized the attestation form and submitted to NCPDP for the development of the project. NCPDP's database will be the host for the attestation form. Chains will be able to attest for all of their stores with one form/signature. There will be batch capability for corporate offices to download to individual stores using the relationship code. There is no change in the process for PSAOs. Batch capability is not available in the case of individual signatures.
- The **OIG Report OEI 05-12-00540 Task Group** finalized and published the industry survey developed to assist in ranking and prioritizing the identified options to ensure that coupons are not used for drugs paid for by Part D. The task group held an educational webinar to review options prior to distribution of the survey. A high level analysis of the results of the survey was reviewed and work to further develop the options will continue.
- The **Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Task Group** provided PMP updates for Alaska, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, South Carolina and Wyoming. The updated tracking document will be published. The task group also developed a National PDMP Administrator Requirements document which will be finalized during the next quarter.
- The **Supplemental Payer Part D Reconciliation Standardization Task Group** did not meet this quarter.
- The **Unbreakable Package Task Group** (WG9/WG2) did not meet this quarter as CMS has not responded to the task group's letter.
- WG9 received an update from the **WG1 Standardized Subrogation Task Group**. See WG1 minutes.

New Business:

- WG9 received an EDvocacy/Legislative briefing.
- WG9 reviewed industry changes related to Unique Device Identifier, Medicare Prescriber Enrollment and Medicare Beneficiary Identifier.

<u>Work Group 10 Professional Pharmacy Services</u>

Ballot Adjudication:

- **Ballot WG100008R** for the Structured and Codified Sig Implementation Guide is considered a valid ballot having received the required 60+% of Consensus Group votes and 75% approval rating. No new written comments were received. See Letter Ballot Comment spreadsheet for the ballot results. The ballot will be sent to NCPDP Board of Trustees for approval after a 30-day appeal period.

Task Group Reports:

- The **MTM Communications Task Group** continues to develop new functionality using the CCDA Release 2 Clinical Notes. Currently under development are the specifications for the Pharmacist Care Plan
- The **Acetaminophen Best Practices Hospital Safety Sub-Task Group** has submitted the *NCPDP Recommendations for Dose Accumulation Monitoring in the Inpatient Setting: Acetaminophen Case Model* white paper for publication by NCPDP and in the American Journal of Health System Pharmacy.

- The **Scope and Goals Modernization Task Group** presented the proposed WG 10 Scope and Goals for the work group. They were approved and the task group was suspended pending the annual review of work group scope and goals.
- WG11 **Specialty Requirements for ePrescribing Task Group** is continuing identification of other elements and messaging needed to support specialty pharmacy, including electronic prescribing of compound medications.
- An update was provided on the current status of the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) Allergy Project.

New Business:

- WG10 received an EDvocacy briefing.

Work Group 11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions

Ballot Adjudication:

- **Ballot WG110066R** for the SCRIPT Standard is considered a valid ballot having received the required 60+% of Consensus Group votes and 75%+ approval rating. No new written comments were received. See Letter Ballot Comment spreadsheet for the ballot results. The ballot will be sent to NCPDP Board of Trustees for approval after a 30-day appeal period.

DERFs/ECLs Reviewed:

- DERF 001338/ECL 000198 was recommended MC approve, as modified.
- DERF 001340 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001363/ECL 000202 was recommended MC approve.
- DERF 001364/ECL 000203 was recommended MC approve.
- DERF 001365 was pended.
- DERF 001366 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001367 was pended.
- DERF 001368 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001369 was approved.
- DERF 001370 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001371 was approved.
- DERF 001372 was approved as modified.
- DERF 001373 was pended.
- DERF 001374 was pended.

Old Business:

- Reviewed the letter requesting the next version of the SCRIPT Standard in regulation. The version published in July 2015 will be requested for adoption. The letter was approved and sent to CMS.
- A DEA eprescribing for controlled substances and implementation activities update was given.

Task Groups:

- The **Formulary and Benefit Task Group** brought forward modifications to pended DERF 001340 for the reduction of the Formulary and Benefit file sizes and improved usability.
- **XML Task Group** brought forward DERF 001369, reviewed all submitted DERFs and brought forward recommendations for them.
- **NCPDP/HL7 Pharmacist Functional Profile Task Group** is developing EHR-S R2 functional profiles for the pharmacy practice specific setting.

- **Electronic Prescribing Best Practices Task Group** brought forward DERFs 001363/ECL 00202, 001368, 001371 and 001372. They also provided recommendations for the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations document for 340B use in SCRIPT 10.6.
- **WG14 LTPAC ePrescribing Task Group** is working on retrospective electronic prior authorizations for long term and post-acute care. They brought forth DERFs 001364/ECL 000203 and 001370.
- The **Electronic Prior Authorization Workflow to Transactions Task Group** brought forth DERFs 001338/ECL 000198 and 001365. They also provided recommendations for the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations document for PartiallyDenied ePA guidance.
- The **WG11/2 Joint Drug Description Task Group** did not met during the last quarter. The task group was disbanded.
- The **Meaningful Use and NIST Test Methods for ePrescribing Task** reviewed the use cases for Meaningful Use 3 certifications. They also provided recommendations for the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations document for the use of Trace Numbers in SCRIPT 10.6.
- **Implementation of Structured Sig Task Group** reviewed questions received after the October webinar. They also reviewed "SigFreeTextStringIndicator" and worked on additional guidance related to pre-coordinated SNOMED terms (e.g. "three times weekly").
- **Specialty Requirements for ePrescribing Task Group** met one time to review a proposed DERF by the Compounding Sub-Task Group.
    - **Compounding Sub-Task Group** brought forth DERF 001372.
- **Harmonization of Prescribing and Dispensing Units Task Group** is determining a standard approach to harmonize product package size units used within prescribing, dispensing, adjudication, clinical and rebate systems to promote patient safety, improve the patient experience, and prevent financial and audit risks and provide recommendations that promote concordance between dispensing and billable units.
- **EPCS Renewal Request Task Group** identified, reviewed, and prioritized several options for addressing the DEA's concerns with respect to EPCS Renewal Requests and created a letter to be sent to the DEA.

New Business:

- EDvocacy Update was given by John Hill.

<u>WG14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC)</u>

Old Business:

- Received an update on the point of sale requirements from the MACRA legislation for long term care.

Task Group Reports:

- The **ePrescribing Task Group** is looking at the use of the ePA transactions in the long term and post-acute care industry. They brought forth DERF 001364/ECL 000203 which was reviewed in WG11 ePrescribing and Related Transactions.
- The **LTPAC Current Billing Issues Task Group** is looking at the NCPDP Telecommunication Standard to determine if the long term and post-acute care setting needs are met. They updated the Non-LTC Network Pharmacy Part D Claim spreadsheet which was reviewed by the Work Group. They brought forth DERFs 001356 and 001357 which were reviewed in WG1 Telecommunication.
- The **Consultant Pharmacy Interoperability Task Group** is facilitating standardized messages for consultant pharmacist software, facility EHR and pharmacy dispensing systems

- Received updates from the **WG1 Eligibility Verification Task Group, WG9 Hospice Task Group** and the **WG9 Medicare Part D FAQ Task Group.**

New Business:

- Reviewed DERFs 001358, 001359/ECL 000200 and 001360 pended by WG1 Telecommunication where a new task group was formed and DERF 001370 approved by WG11 ePresribing & Related Transactions, but pended in MC Maintenance and Control. All of these DERFs are related to compounding.

Work Group 16 Property & Casualty/Workers Compensation

DERFs/ECLs Discussed:

- DERF 001308 was approved by WG1 as modified.
- DERF 001310 was withdrawn by WG16.

Task Group Reports:

- The **Legislative/Regulatory Monitoring and Education Task Group** provided an update on state regulatory and legislative initiatives affecting Workers' Compensation programs.
- The **Billing and State Reporting Task Group** provided an update regarding states moving to adopt regulations for e-billing, standard paper billing and EDI reporting.
- An update on discussion by the **MC Real Time Pharmacy Benefit Inquiry Task** regarding inclusion of a workers' compensation use case was provided. It has been agreed that a WC use case will not be included in the initial requirements.

Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment, Harmonization and Implementation Guidance

Old Business:

- Industry updates were provided for WEDI, ASC X12, and CAQH CORE.

Task Groups:

- The **Document Revision Task Group** did not meet as none of the requested CARCs, none of which were approved, had impact on the pharmacy industry. The mapping document as approved by the work group in November will be published in the next ASC X12 Code Value Usage in Health Care Claim Payments and Subsequent Claims.
- The **834/835 FAQ Task Group** did not meet. A new question was recently received so a call will be scheduled.
- A **DSMO Task Group** received no DSMO requests for review.
- **CAQH CORE Task Group** did not meet.
- An update was provided on the **MC UDI Task Group** and UDI Focus Group held February 3, 2016.

New Business:

- WG3 has been disbanded and the goals related to the Pharmacy ID card were added to the WG45 Scope and Goals.
- The **Pharmacy and/or Combination ID Card Implementation Guide Review Task Group** was added to WG45.
- An EDvocacy briefing was provided.

MC Maintenance and Control

Ballot Adjudication:

- **Ballot WG100008R** is considered a valid ballot having received the required 60+% of Consensus Group votes and 75%+ approval rating. No new written comments were received. See Letter

Ballot Comment spreadsheet for the ballot results. The ballot will be sent to NCPDP Board of Trustees for approval after a 30-day appeal period.

- **Ballot WG110066R** for the SCRIPT Standard is considered a valid ballot having received the required 60+% of Consensus Group votes and 75%+ approval rating. No new written comments were received. See Letter Ballot Comment spreadsheet for the ballot results. The ballot will be sent to NCPDP Board of Trustees for approval after a 30-day appeal period.

DERFs/ECLs Reviewed:

- 38 new and pended DERFs/ECLs were reviewed (see WG1, WG9 and WG11 above).
- The DERFs approved at the November 2015 and this meeting will result in seven ballots for the February 2016 ballot period. (Post Meeting Note: Prior to the approval of DERFs at the February 2016 Work Group meetings, a ballot in MC for DERF 001341 was anticipated in order to ballot like information across multiple standards; however, the February 2016 approved DERFs caused ballots within all but one of the standards that were originally to be included in the MC ballot. Given this, it was determined the MC ballot was not necessary and the one remaining standard impacted by DERF 001341 would have its own ballot (WG010071 for Prior Authorization Transfer Standard).)
    - WG010068 for Telecommunication Standard vE9 (DERFs 001307, 001308, 001330, 001340, 001341, 001354, 001355)
    - WG010069 for Post Adjudication Standard v45 (DERFs 001341, 001354, 001355)
    - WG010070 for Audit Transfer Standard v31 (DERFs 001354, 001355)
    - WG010071 for Prior Authorization Transfer Standard v11 (DERF 001341)
    - WG110067 for the SCRIPT and Specialized Standard v2016xx# (DERFs 001336, 001337, 001366, 001368, 001369, 001370, 001371, 001372)
    - WG110068 for Prescription File Transfer Standard v34 (DERFs 001339, 001341)
    - WG110069 for Formulary and Benefit Standard v50
      Note: DERF 1340 approved at the February 2016 Work Groups meetings encompasses a broad range of changes that impacted all the DERFs approved at the May and August 2015 Work Group meetings for the Formulary and Benefit Standard (001237, 001271, 001273, 001289, 001296, 001297, 001298, 001300, 001302, 001317 and 001318) except for DERFs 001299 and 001301. DERF 001237 was excluded from this ballot since it requested expansion of fields that were sunsetted in DERF 001340.

Old Business:

- Updates are available in the MC February 2016 download file:
    - Board of Trustee
    - HIPAA
    - NCPDP SNIP Committee
    - GS1

Task Groups:

- The **Education/Legislation and Regulations Task Group** did not meet. They will begin meeting in February to prepare comments on the ONC 2016 Interoperability Standards Advisory.
- The **Unique Device Identifier (UDI) Task Group** continued their ongoing discussions, outreach, and research on how UDI will be implemented for devices in retail Pharmacy.
- The **Real Time Benefit Check Task Group** continues working on use cases. They have made great strides in completing their use case development but still have a few open questions to complete. See the NCPDP Collaborative for more information.
- The **Prior Authorization Harmonization Task Group** did not meet awaiting the outcome of the February 2016 ballot.

- The **API Task Group** has defined their scope and deliverables and will be surveying the membership on the status of API usage.

Project Development Form:

- Project Development Form 000040 was approved by the Standardization Co-Chairs and Board of Trustees and a new Task Group was formed in Work Group 2.

New Business:

- The attendees received recaps of each Work Group's activities.
- Task Group Leads were presented "Certificates of Thank You" for their leadership.

| TG Lead Name | TG Name |
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| Adam Fowler | WG16 Billing and State Reporting Task Group |
| Alan Gardner | WG3 Pharmacy and/or Combination ID Card Implementation Guide Review Task Group |
| Alan Ryan | WG2 Naming Standards for Drugs, Biologics, and Biosimilars Task Group |
| Alisha Nielsen | WG2 Dates Associated with Pharmaceutical Products Task Group |
| Angela Muncy | WG9 Health Insurance Exchange/Marketplace FAQ Task Group |
| Anne Johnston | WG2 Product Review and Billing Unit Exception Task Group<br>WG11/WG2 Drug Description Task Group<br>MC Unique Device ID (UDI) Task Group |
| Annette Gabel | WG1 Post Adjudication Task Group<br>WG1 Benefit Integration Task Group<br>WG9 Medicare Financial Information Reporting Task Group<br>WG9 Medicare Part D FAQ Task Group |
| Ashley Maples | WG45 CAQH CORE Task Group<br>MC Sig In Transactions |
| Bill Langlois | WG2 Structured Product Labeling Activities Task Group |
| Bruce Wilkinson | WG11 Formulary And Benefit Task Group<br>MC Real-Time Pharmacy Benefit Inquiry Task Group |
| Bryan Lawson | WG9 Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Task Group |
| Cathy Graeff | WG10 Scope and Goals Modernization Task Group<br>WG1 Vaccine Services Task Group |
| Charlie Oltman | WG9 Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Task Group |
| Cheri Neises | WG1 Transaction ID Task Group |
| Chris Mendez | WG9 OIG Report OEI-05-12-00540 Task Group |
| Cynthia Smith | WG14 Long Term and Post Acute Care ePrescribing Task Group |
| Dan Ramirez | WG10 Acetaminophen Best Practices Task Group |
| Daniel Schofield | WG1 Definition of a Valid Prescriber Task Group |
| David Kilgo | MC Sig In Transactions |
| Elizabeth Serraino | WG45 DSMO Change Request Task Group |
| Frank McKinney | WG11 Meaningful Use and NIST Test Methods for ePrescribing Task Group<br>WG11 Implementation of Structured and Codified Sig Task Group<br>WG14 Long Term and Post Acute Care ePrescribing Task Group |
| Garth Black | WG7 Manufacturer Rebate Standard Task Group |
| Gary Schoettmer | WG14 Consultant Pharmacist Interoperability Task Group |
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