



Annual Report of the
National Association of
Health Data
Organizations (NAHDO)

Fiscal Year 2012



MISSION

**NAHDO's purpose is to
develop and facilitate
networks of health
information professionals
to:**

***.....Advocate for proper
protections of health
information while preserving
access to such data by the
appropriate users***

The National Association of Health Data Organizations (NAHDO) is a national, not-for-profit membership organization dedicated to improving health care through the collection, analysis, dissemination, public availability, and use of health data.

NAHDO provides information on current issues and strategies to develop a nationwide, comprehensive, integrated health information system, sponsors educational programs, provides assistance, and serves as a forum to foster collaboration and the exchange of ideas and experiences among collectors and users of health data. By doing so, NAHDO works to increase the state of knowledge.



NAHDO is a co-leader and founder of the All Payer Claims Database Council to promote the implementation of statewide All Payer Claims Databases (APCDs)

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“Since your presentation, the (governing body) decided at our last meeting to include a recommendation that our State develop an All-Payers Claims Database”

PROGRAMS

All-Payer Claims Databases (APCDs)

The APCD Council, formerly known as the Regional All Payer Healthcare Information Council (RAPHIC), is a federation of government, private, non-profit, and academic organizations focused on improving the development and deployment of state-based APCDs. The APCD Council is convened and coordinated by the New Hampshire Institute for Health Policy and Practice (NHIHPP) at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) in Durham, NH, and the National Association of Health Data Organizations (NAHDO).

NAHDO alone, or in collaboration with the APCD Council, makes numerous presentations to state health data boards and stakeholders on topics related to APCD Implementation, Hospital Discharge Data Improvements, and stakeholder support.

APCD Convening

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Small Conference Grant, 2011: Expanding and Enhancing All Payer Claims Data Base System Capacity in States

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Small Conference Grant, 2012: Laying the Groundwork for Consumer Reporting on Cost and Quality: Putting APCD Systems to Work

DHHS Multi-payer Claims Database (MCDB)

NAHDO is a subcontractor to Optum Health for the DHHS Multi-payer Claims Database initiative



NAHDO relies on a combination of revenues from grants, contracts, membership, and conferences to support the organization's activities

PROGRAMS

State Technical Assistance and Support

- Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals contracted with NAHDO to align hospital discharge data reporting with national standards
- Consulting Services for Implementation of Utah's House Bill 9 Provisions Related to All-Payer Claims Database Analytics

NAHDO-CDC Environmental Public Health Tracking Network

NAHDO facilitates the access to and use of hospital discharge and claims databases for creating standardized health indicators measuring morbidity and health outcomes related to environmental exposures. Two initiatives included in this project are:

- Cross-border Exchange of Hospital Discharge Databases for Surveillance
- All Payer Claims Database indicators for chronic disease surveillance

Medicaid and Public Health Data Partnerships

A three-state study of model data partnerships between state Medicaid agencies and public health---funded by the Global Task Force for Public Health

CDC and Cancer Surveillance

Harmonizing key data elements between cancer registries and discharge data bases to reduce provider reporting burden and enhance/facilitate linkage



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...Promote the uniformity and comparability of health care data

STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT

All-Payer Claims Databases (APCD) Core Standards

As a part of the APCD Council, NAHDO with funding from a Task Order from AHRQ, established a Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) including members from organizations like AHIP, AHRQ, NCSL, NAIC, NGA, UnitedHealth, Wellpoint, Kaiser Permanente, and Aetna. Also, during January, the APCD standards effort was announced at the ASC X12 standing meeting; in response, it was discovered that Medicaid and Medicare may have similar reporting needs.

X12N Post Adjudicated Claims Data Reporting Guide (PACDR)

NAHDO and the APCD Council are actively participating in this forum to develop a *Uniform Medical Claims Payer Reporting Standard*.

Continued Representation on National Uniform Billing and National Uniform Claims Committees (NUBC/NUCC)

National Advocacy for APCDs

Proposed Rule for Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Standards Related to Reinsurance, Risk Corridors and Risk Adjustment (CMS-9975-P) to CMS on Wednesday, September 28, 2011.

NAHDO and the APCD Council worked with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and states to promote access to Medicare data for state APCDs.



NAHDO's purpose is to:

....Promote comparability of health information through the development of guidelines and standards for data collection, analysis, and dissemination

"Thanks for the useful and informative webinar today! This is certainly timely as we hear stirrings regarding taking a new look at how public use files are prepared. I particularly appreciated the point about the need for a layered approach, that relies not just upon statistical methods to ensure appropriate use of the data. And I'm sure that we'll find some interesting challenges as we move into the realm of PUF's for paid claims databases!"

"I found much of the content a useful summary of concerns related to data release and the desire some providers have to vet data on quality and cost reports. The goal of transparency in these types of measures can sometimes encounter road blocks that are directly related to issues/concerns about accidental spills of direct and indirect identifiers as well as re-identification problems in the data vetting process. This is a helpful resource towards achieving a better understanding of that tension."

BUILDING VALUE: KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER HIGHLIGHTS

NAHDO is known for its high-quality meetings and workshops. NAHDO's grants and projects are designed to promote and strengthen health care data use across the system.

NAHDO's 26th Annual Meeting: Analytics, Accountability, and Action

Alexandria, Virginia

October 2011

170 attendees from state, federal, and private sector agencies.

Fifth National All Payer Claims Databases Conference

Alexandria, Virginia

106 Attendees

Membership Webinars:

- December 7th 2011: Source of Payment Typology: A New National Standard
- December 13th, 2011: A pathway to success: Data Integration
- December 16th, 2011: Enhancement of Cancer Registry Databases with Two Key Hospital Discharge Data Elements: POA and Discharge Status
- March 12, 2012: NAHDO Webinar to present Guidance Document on Creating and Releasing Hospital and Facility Discharge Data Public Use Files
- July 12, 2012 Collection and Use of Race and Ethnicity Data for Discharge Data Reporting Systems
- September 6 2012, Preparing for ICD -10 – State Data Agency Discussion

Guidance Document on Creating and Releasing Hospital and Facility Discharge Data Public Use Files

Available to NAHDO members at:

<https://www.nahdo.org/publications>

APCD Cost Study

This report presents a summary of the costs to states associated with the development of APCDs. Available to NAHDO members at:

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.....Share and transfer knowledge across a diverse network of individuals and organizations

NAHDO participates in monthly APCD calls, ASC X12 PACDR forum, and the NQF Public/Community Health Council

KEY PARTNERSHIPS

All-Payer Claims Database Council

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Joint Public Health Informatics Task Force (JPHIT)

TREASURER'S REPORT, FISCAL YEAR 2011

NAHDO'S fiscal year ends September 30, 2012. Based on preliminary (11 month) financials, for the fourth year NAHDO is expected to end the year in a positive financial position, thus building NAHDO's organization financial reserves. These reserves are essential to weathering today's unpredictable economic climate, especially important as grant and contract revenues decline.

NAHDO Financial Report

	9/30/2008	9/30/2009	9/30/2010	9/30/2011*	8/30/2012*
Revenue					
Membership	\$ 119,428	\$ 125,875	\$ 123,008	\$ 133,667	\$ 121,000
Grants and Contracts	\$ 428,431	\$ 446,182	\$ 411,935	\$ 572,736	\$ 345,506
Conferences	\$ 90,400	\$ 151,895	\$ 92,494	\$ 92,245	\$ 90,425
Other	\$ 8,252	\$ 2,081	\$ 3,423	\$ 2,089	\$ 294
Total Revenue	\$ 646,511	\$ 726,033	\$ 630,860	\$ 800,737	\$ 557,225
Expenses	\$ 617,586	\$ 714,096	\$ 588,171	\$ 625,144	\$ 505,243
Gain/Loss	\$ 28,925	\$ 11,937	\$ 42,689	\$ 175,593	\$ 51,982
Fund Balance	\$ 307,166	\$ 319,103	\$ 361,792	\$ 537,385	\$ 589,367

In 2012, 62% of NAHDO's revenues came from grants and contracts, down from 2011's 71% of revenues. The percentage of membership and conference revenues remain relatively stable between 2011 and 2012.

