

## Standards Activities and Meeting Schedules

The following standards meetings are routinely scheduled each year. Below is an annotated list of those meetings along with the web site that contains specific meeting logistics information.

### January

- Health Level 7 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of clinical data, the HIPAA attachment booklet standards, and the functional model for the Electronic Health Record (EHR) initiative.
  - [www.hl7.org](http://www.hl7.org)

### February

- ANSI ASC X12 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of the administrative data necessary for most of the HIPAA transaction standards.
  - Development of xxx0 versions of the standard. (Currently xx version is 501)
  - [www.x12.org](http://www.x12.org)
- National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) Meeting
  - Data content development for institutional billing and reporting needs.
  - Meeting location is Baltimore, Maryland
  - [www.nubc.org](http://www.nubc.org)
- National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Meeting
  - Data content development for professional billing and reporting needs along with the maintenance of the provider taxonomy file.
  - Meeting location is Baltimore, Maryland
  - [www.nucc.org](http://www.nucc.org)

### March

- Public Health Data Standards Consortium Steering Committee Meeting
  - Facilitates the use of existing national standards and identifies priorities for the development of new national data standards for public health and health services research through a “confederation” of effected health industry organizations.
  - Meeting location is the DC area
  - <http://phdatastandards.info/>

### April

- Health Care Utilization Project (HCUP) Annual Partners Meeting

- A family of healthcare databases and related software tools and products developed through a Federal-State-industry partnership and sponsored by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) used to promote health research
- Meeting location is the DC area
- <http://www.ahrq.gov/data/hcup/>

## May

- National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) Meeting
  - Data content development for institutional billing and reporting needs.
  - Meeting location is Chicago, Illinois
  - [www.nubc.org](http://www.nubc.org)
- National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Meeting
  - Data content development for professional billing and reporting needs along with the maintenance of the provider taxonomy file.
  - Meeting location is Chicago, Illinois
  - [www.nucc.org](http://www.nucc.org)
- Health Level 7 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of clinical data, the HIPAA attachment booklet standards, and the functional model for the Electronic Health Record (EHR) initiative.
  - [www.hl7.org](http://www.hl7.org)

## June

- ANSI ASC X12 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of the administrative data necessary for most of the HIPAA transaction standards.
  - Development of xxx2 versions of the standard at this Trimester Meeting. (Currently xxx version is 501)
  - [www.x12.org](http://www.x12.org)

## July

- No regularly scheduled standards meetings

## August

- National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) Meeting
  - Data content development for institutional billing and reporting needs.
  - Meeting location is Baltimore, Maryland
  - [www.nubc.org](http://www.nubc.org)
- National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Meeting

- Data content development for professional billing and reporting needs along with the maintenance of the provider taxonomy file.
- Meeting location is Baltimore, Maryland
- [www.nucc.org](http://www.nucc.org)

## September

- Health Level 7 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of clinical data, the HIPAA attachment booklet standards, and the functional model for the Electronic Health Record (EHR) initiative.
  - [www.hl7.org](http://www.hl7.org)

## October

- ANSI ASC X12 Meeting
  - Development of data messaging standards for transmission of the administrative data necessary for most of the HIPAA transaction standards.
  - Development of xxx0 versions of the standard at this Trimester Meeting. (Currently xxx version is 501). Note: cycle for next version begins each October. The 501 version reflects approved changes to the standard as of October, 1993.
  - [www.x12.org](http://www.x12.org)

## November

- National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) Meeting
  - Data content development for institutional billing and reporting needs.
  - Meeting location is Chicago, Illinois
  - [www.nubc.org](http://www.nubc.org)
- National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Meeting
  - Data content development for professional billing and reporting needs along with the maintenance of the provider taxonomy file.
  - Meeting location is Chicago, Illinois
  - [www.nucc.org](http://www.nucc.org)

## December

- National Association of Health Data Organizations (NAHDO) Annual Meeting
  - Mission is to strengthening the nation's health information system. NAHDO by serving as a broker of expertise for the development and enhancement of statewide and national health information systems.
  - Meeting location is DC area

- [www.nahdo.org](http://www.nahdo.org)

## HIPAA Milestones

Note: Details on each of the HIPAA rules can be found at the following web site:

<http://aspe.hhs.gov/admsimp/index.shtml>

### Privacy Rules

- NPRM published November 19, 1999
- Final Rule along with modifications published August 14, 2002
- Compliance Date April 14, 2003 (2004 for small health plans)

### Transactions and Codes Rules

- NPRM published May 7, 1998
- Final Rule published August 17, 2000
- Compliance Date for covered entities NOT applying for an Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA) extension October 16, 2002 (2003 for small health plans)
- Compliance Date for covered entities applying for an Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA) extension October 16, 2003

### Security Rules

- NPRM published August 12, 1998
- Final Rule published August 14, 2002
- Compliance Date April 21, 2005 (2006 for small health plans)

### Identifier Rules

- National Employer Identification
  - NPRM published June 16, 1998
  - Final Rule published May 31, 2002
  - Compliance Date July 30, 2002
- National Provider Id
  - NPRM published May 7, 1998
  - Final Rule published January 23, 2004
  - See NAHDO Web Site ([www.nahdo.org](http://www.nahdo.org)) for summary
  - Compliance Dates
    - May 23, 2005 for application of NPI's
    - May 23, 2007 for use in transactions (2008 for small health plans)
- National Health Plan Id
  - NPRM not published yet, but due out in 2004
- National Patient Identifier
  - Part of original HIPAA legislation, but no development activities currently in progress.

### Claims Attachment Rules

- NPRM not published yet, but due out in 2004

- Note: Development of this NPRM is a joint HL7 & X12 activity

Additional Rules of Note:

- Enforcement
  - It is expected that there will be a formal rule to specify how the HIPAA rules will be enforced. It is expected that the guiding principal for enforcement will be driven by complaints.
  - An Enforcement rule is in process with no target date provided by DHHS
- Standard Modification
  - It is expected that there will be a formal rule to specify how the HIPAA rules can be modified to meet industry needs in a more timely fashion.
  - A standard modification rule is in process with not target date provided by DHHS.