



DOCUMENTATION FOR FEBRUARY 2018
JOINT TECHNICAL WORK GROUP MEETINGS

For a listing of meetings, dates, times and agendas, please visit the NCPDP web site at <http://www.ncdp.org/Events/Work-Group-Meeting>.

To help prepare for the work group meetings, documentation is available on the NCPDP web site. The agendas link is above. The individual work group pages of working documents are below. Review of the documentation prior to the meeting will provide helpful background.

Please make sure you bring copies with you, as copies will not be provided. Some documents are still being developed and may not yet be available on the specified page. Please check back before work group meetings.

DERFs and New Project Development Forms:

Any Data Element Request Forms (DERFs) and New Project Development Forms submitted for review at the Joint Technical Work Group Meetings, scheduled for January 31-February 2, 2018 in Garden Grove, CA will be available on the website beginning January 17, 2018. To view and download the DERFs, log in to the website as a member, go to Work Group Lookup, select [MC Maintenance and Control page](#) and scroll down for the DERFs. For access to the information either download the zip file containing all the DERFs and New Project Development Forms, or click on each item and download a copy. If you have any questions or need clarification on a DERF, please contact the Work Group Co-Chairs or the individual identified in the “submitter” section of the DERF.

Note the following DERFs are External Code List (ECL) requests and will be discussed in the Work Group identified and voted on in MC Maintenance and Control.

- DERF 001579/ECL 000255
- DERF 001580/ECL 000256
- DERF 001581/ECL 000257
- DERF 001585/ECL 000258
- DERF 001590/ECL 000259

Please review the DERF/External Code List Process at <http://www.ncdp.org/NCPDP/media/pdf/Flow-For-DERF-website.pdf>. If you are unable to attend the work group meeting, but have substantive comments on a DERF/ECL, please send those comments to the assigned Work Group Co-Chairs and Standards Development Liaison.

The final review of all DERFs is held in MC Maintenance and Control where modifications may be made.

New DERF/ECL	Request	Assigned WG
001579 ECL 000255	Add new COB “exempt code” for Regulatory Fee Exempt Indicator (D62-RM), Percentage Tax Exempt Indicator (557-AV), Other Payer Regulatory Fee Exempt Indicator (D51-P7), Other Payer Percentage Tax Exempt Indicator (D52-P8)	WG1
001580 ECL 000256	Add value limitations on C1, C2, and C3 for Field 103-A3 Transaction Code to correct an oversight on DERF 001420	WG1 (of interest to WG9)

001581 ECL 000257	Update the description for existing Submission Clarification Codes 16, 19, 36	WG1 (of interest to WG14)
001582	Modify the definition of Submission Type Code AB - Split Billing to be in sync with changes to Submission Clarification Code 19 - Split Billing submitted in DERF 001581/ECL 000257. Also requires change to Telecom Standard.	WG1 (of interest to WG14)
001583	Add a new Formulary Status value "B" to indicate branded drug is preferred over the generic product.	WG11
001584	Clarify how Coverage Files work and request updates to the F & B Standard Implementation Guide to clarify their usage	WG11
001585 ECL 000258	Harmonize the new values from DERF 001562 (Result of Service Code/ Reason For Service Code) in the Telecommunication Standard to the ecl/exl.xsd across the standards, and also add a value limitation	WG11
001586	Update Section 8.1.4.1 Patient Contact Information in SCRIPT regarding communication number	WG11
001587	Remove paragraph 2 in section 5.17 and section 5.6.SCRIPT Implementation Guide v2017071 as it does not apply	WG11
001588	Create a new optional field <InterchangeControlNumber> in SCRIPT	WG11
001589	Correct page 314 of the SCRIPT Standard Implementation Guide regarding the digital signature	WG11
001590 ECL 000259	Synchronize the following: Values and Value Descriptions/Definitions of PayerType to Adjudicated Program Type (A28-ZR) and Value Descriptions/ Definitions of PaymentType to PayerType. Synchronize PayerResponsibilityCode with Other Payer Coverage Type (338-5C) as defined for the Telecommunication Standard vF2.	WG11

Of Special Note:

NCPDP EDvocacy Update

The NCPDP Edvocacy Update is scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

CMS Discussion (tentative)

The CMS Discussion is scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Documents

Multiple task groups develop Frequently Asked Questions documents for Work Group review and publication. These FAQs should be reviewed during task group calls and prior to Work Group meetings as discussion time is limited.

Ballot Responses

The results of Ballot WG110077R will be reviewed in WG11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions. The ballot results will be posted to the Work Group 11 web page prior to the Work Group meetings.

SPECIFIC WORK GROUP DISCUSSION ITEMS:

The detailed work group documentation is accessible from the Member Portal page <http://www.ncdp.org/members/member-info.aspx>. Select the Work Group from the dropdown at the left side of the screen.

On each Work Group page you will see the February 2018 Meeting Materials with a zip file. Download the zip file as copies are not provided.

Previous meeting minutes are also available on each page. **Please note you may need to check work group website pages just before work group meetings, as recent work is being posted in the zip files, as well as the ballot results.**

WG1 Telecommunication

Work Group 1 Telecommunication develops and maintains standards and guidelines to accommodate the collection, transmission, and processing of electronic pharmacy claim

information, i.e. administering and certifying eligibility, prior authorization, and prescribing drug benefits for traditional, managed care, and government programs; billing; payment or denial of compensation with explanations, and concurrent drug use review.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG1 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- Telecommunication FAQ Task Group
- Coordination of Benefits (COB) Task Group
- Information Reporting Problems Task Group
- Post Adjudication Task Group
- Definition of a Valid Prescriber Task Group
- Part D Supplemental Payment Reporting Task Group
- Eligibility Verification Enhancements Task Group
- Benefit Integration Task Group
- Standardized Subrogation Task Group
- Compound Task Group
- Usage of Submission Clarification Code Task Group
- Upstream Reporting of Copay Assistance Task Group

WG1 will also:

- Discuss new DERFs
- Discuss DSMO Requests
- Discuss questions and answers from various task groups for inclusion in the Version D Editorial document and/or Telecommunication Implementation Guide
- Discuss action items from any task group

Documents for discussion that are on the WG1 page include:

- 201802.WG1.zip containing:
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation.

WG2 Product Identification

Work Group 2 Product Identification deals with issues relating to the identification of drugs and health related products within NCPDP's stated mission. Identification consists of how the product is billed (billing units, quantity designations), product identification systems, and any type of descriptive data which serves to uniquely identify a product with the intent to establish standards for product identification such that there is no ambiguity in distinguishing one product from another.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG2 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- Dates Associated With Pharmaceutical Products Task Group
- Structure Product Labeling Activities Task Group
- Product Review and Billing Unit Exception Task Group
- SPL REMS Task Group
- Naming Standards for Drugs, Biologics and Biosimilars Task Group
- Application of BUS Clarification Task Group
- Update Joint WG2/WG11 Harmonization of Prescribing and Dispensing Units Task Group
- Update WG11 REMS Workflow to Transaction Task Group
- Update MC 2D Barcode Implementation Task Group

WG2 will also:

- Hear an update on the Industry and Government Activities
- Review new QUIC forms
- Hear a presentation about a new product from Encore Dermatology, Inc.
- Hear a presentation about a new product from CutisPharma, Inc.

Documents for discussion that are available on the WG2 page include:

- 201802.WG2.zip containing:
 - Agenda
 - New QUIC Forms
 - Task Group Recaps
 - Presentations
- See web page for all available documentation

WG7 Manufacturer and Associated Trading Partner Transaction Standards

Work Group 7 Manufacturer and Associated Trading Partner Transaction Standards develops, monitors, and maintains standards for the electronic exchange of data between manufacturers and data providers, and/or trading partners. Additionally, the work group will facilitate the implementation and education of the standards and process.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG7 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- Medicaid Drug Rebate Program Task Group
- Medical Rebate Task Group
- Manufacturer Rebate Standard Task Group
 - Specialty Pharmacy Data Exchange Sub-Task Group

WG7 will receive the following updates:

- Regulatory Product Tracing Update/MC 2D Barcode Task Group Update
- WG9 340B Task Group Update

Documents for discussion that are available on the WG7 page include:

- 201802.WG7.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation

WG9 Government Programs

Work Group 9 Government Programs, in conjunction with Work Group 1 Telecommunication, guides and advises Federal and State funded pharmacy programs and their agents on standards implementation, supports data processing initiatives, and provides design alternatives for standards, which support government requirements.

During the February Work Group meetings WG9 will receive updates from the following task groups:

- 340B Task Group
- Government Programs Encounter Reporting Standard Task Group
- Hospice Task Group
- Medicaid Best Practices Using NCPDP Standards to Implement Reimbursement Methodology Task Group
- Medicaid Frequently Asked Questions Task Group
- Medicaid Subrogation FAQ Task Group
- Medicare Financial Information Reporting Task Group
- Medicare Part D FAQ Task Group
- Medicare Prescription Drug Event Task Group

- Medicare Standardized Fraud, Waste and Abuse Training Attestation Task Group
- OIG Report OEI-05-12-00540 Task Group
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Task Group
- Supplemental Payer Part D Reconciliation Task Group
- Medicare Card Project Task Group
- Coordination of Benefits Contractor (COBC)/Benefits Coordination & Recovery Center (BCRC) Task Group
- Standardized Pharmacy Credentialing Task Group

Documents for discussion that are available on the WG9 page include:

- 201802.WG9.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation

WG10 Professional Pharmacy Services

Work Group 10 Professional Pharmacy Services assists in the development and maintenance of standards to support electronic documentation and transmission of data for professional pharmacy services.

WG10 will hear updates from the following:

- MTM Communication Task Group
- mL White Paper Task Group
- USP Allergy Update (Donna Bohannon)
- WG11 Specialty Requirements- eRx Task Group
- WG14 Consultant Pharmacist Interoperability Task Group
- WG11 Implementation of Sig Task Group identified Implementation Guide changes

WG10 will:

- Review revised Billing Guidance for Pharmacists Professional and Patient Care Services

Documents for discussion that are available on the WG10 page include:

- 201802.WG10.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
 - Presentations
- See web page for all available documentation

WG11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions

Work Group 11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions develops standardized messages for prescribers, pharmacists, payers and/or other interested parties to exchange information.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG11 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- WG14/11 LTCPAC ePrescribing Task Group
- Formulary and Benefit Task Group
- XML Task Group
- NCPDP/HL7 Pharmacist Functional Profile Task Group
- SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations Task Group
- REMS Workflow to Transaction Task Group
- Electronic Prior Authorization Workflow to Transactions Task Group
- Integrate S&I PDMP Guidance in SCRIPT Task Group
- Implementation of Structured Sig Task Group

- Specialty Requirements for ePrescribing Task Group
- Harmonization of Prescribing and Dispensing Units
- ePrescribing Regulatory Task Group
- SCRIPT Managed Updates Schedule Task Group
- Biological and Biosimilar Access and Traceability Task Group
- X12 270/271 Version 7030 Review Task Group
- Dispensed Medication Reporting Task Group

WG11 will:

- Review new and pending DERFs
- Receive a status on industry activities
- Discuss questions and answers for inclusion in the SCRIPT Implementation Recommendations document (if applicable)

Documents for discussion that are available on the WG11 page include:

- 201802.WG11.zip containing:
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
 - DSMO Change Requests (if applicable)
- See web page for all available documentation

WG14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC)

Work Group 14 Long Term and Post Acute Care (LTPAC), in conjunction with the other Work Groups, guides and advises payers, processors, and providers of the long term care industry and institutional pharmacy programs and their agents on standards implementation and supports data processing initiatives.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG14 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- LTPAC Current Billing Issues Task Group
- LTPAC ePrescribing Task Group
- Consultant Pharmacist Interoperability Task Group

WG14 will:

- Review two DERFs of interest to WG14
- Receive an update from the WG1 Eligibility Verification Task Group, WG9 Hospice Task Group, WG9 Medicare Part D FAQ Task Group, WG1 Morphine Equivalent Dosing Task Group and WG11 Prior Authorization Workflow-to-Transactions Task Group
- Discuss Industry/Regulatory Updates

Documents for discussion that are on the WG14 web page include:

- 201802.WG14.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation.

WG16 Property and Casualty/Workers' Compensation

Work Group 16 Property and Casualty/Workers' Compensation will ascertain, monitor and analyze regulatory requirements to develop correlating fields to be supported in the Telecommunication Standard format; evaluate, and maintain a Property and Casualty/Workers' Compensation standard paper claim form; proactively promote and educate pharmacy industry stakeholders and regulatory policy makers on the form and format standards found in Property and Casualty/Workers' Compensation (including but not limited to uniform billing, state reporting policies and the overall delivery of pharmacy services/care.)

WG16 will receive updates on the following:

- Legislative/Regulatory Monitoring and Education Task Group
- Billing and State Reporting Task Group
- Future Development Needs for WC/PC
- IAABC

WG16 will:

- Discuss Rule Comments and Advocating for NCPDP Standards
- Discuss combining Legislative/Regulatory Monitoring and Education Task Group and Billing and State Reporting Task Group into one task group

Documents for discussion that are on the WG16 web page include:

- 201802.WG16.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation.

WG45 External Standards Assessment, Harmonization and Implementation Guidance

Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment, Harmonization and Implementation Guidance reviews, assesses and works to continually monitor the development of standards and/or operating rules by other Standards Development Organizations (SDOs) and/or other Non-NCPDP entities that may impact the pharmacy industry.

The Work Group

- Communicates SDO and other external entities developments and identifies actions that may be needed by this or other NCPDP work groups. These include, but are not limited to, the ASC X12N Implementation Guides and the Health Level Seven International (HL7) Standards.
- Develops and maintains guidelines for the pharmacy industry to accommodate pharmacy implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and Affordable Care Act (ACA) mandated electronic data interchange (EDI) transactions and operating rules not developed by NCPDP as determined by the membership.
- Contributes to the development and maintenance of operating rules that impact the pharmacy industry.

To this end, Work Group 45 External Standards Assessment, Harmonization and Implementation Guidance will collaborate with other SDOs, operating rules entities or other Non-NCPDP entities to provide the pharmacy perspective and represent the industry needs in the development of standards and guidelines.

During the February Work Group meetings, WG45 will hear updates from the following task groups:

- Document Revision Task Group
- Pharmacy ID Card Task Group
- X12 7030 834/835 Task Group

- 834/835 FAQ Task Group
- DSMO Change Request Task Group
- DIR 835 Reporting Task Group

WG45 will receive the following reports:

- Industry Updates (WEDI, NCPDP SNIP, X12, CAQH CORE)
- Inter-SDO Process
- Legislation
- Review WEDI Liaison role

WG45 will also review:

- Proposed Work Group Scope and Goals

Documents available on the WG45 web page include:

- 201802.WG16.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
 - Proposed Work Group Scope and Goals
- See web page for all available documentation.

MC Maintenance and Control

MC Maintenance and Control monitors and maintains the development of NCPDP standards, implementation guides and reference documents, promotes consistent business and technical administration, makes recommendations to the Standardization Co-Chairs on development procedures, due process compliance, as well as ethical and legal matters. MC provides a forum for updates of work group activities, resolution of inter-Work Group issues and discussion of legislative, regulatory, policy, and court decisions which may affect the pharmacy industry.

During the February Work Group meetings, MC will hear a status from the following task groups:

- Education/Legislation/Regulations Task Group
- Real-Time Prescription Benefit Standard Task Group
- API Task Group
- Emergency Preparedness Task Group
- X12 TR3 Comment Coordination Task Group
- ECL Task Group
- Specialty Task Group
- 2D Barcode Implementation Task Group
- Gender Transition Task Group
- Patient Identification Task Group

MC will also:

- Review new and pended DERFs
- Receive daily WG updates
- Receive updates on HIPAA
- Receive an update from the Board of Trustees
- Receive an update from the NCPDP SNIP Committee
- Receive an update on DSMO Change Requests 1201 and 1202

Documents for discussion that are on the MC page include:

- 201802.MC.zip containing
 - Agenda
 - Task Group Recaps
- See web page for all available documentation