All-Payor Claims Database (APCD) of Texas Submitter Feedback Forum

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Welcome!

- Welcome and Housekeeping
  - Thank You!
  - Please place your audio on mute
  - Slides and notes will be made available on our website
**Reminder:** The “Chat” function in Webex can be found on the bottom right-hand corner of your screen on most devices. In some instances, it may appear in the upper right-hand corner. Please enter your questions there.

- When entering a question in the chat, please respond to “**Everyone**” to ensure your question is visible so it can be acknowledged.
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Go-Live Dates

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[1] Reference Section 1.6 Data Submission Schedules in the Data Submission Guide (DSG) and 28 TAC §21.5405. The first monthly submission data files will contain claims data adjudicated in March 2023. All monthly submissions are due by the 7th of the month.

[2] All historical files should be submitted no later than December 31, 2023, and to include claims data from January 2019 through February 2023; or to the submitter’s first monthly data submission to the TX-APCD. The expected first monthly data submission will be March 2023 data provided during the July 2023 monthly submission period. Each historical file submission should contain only a single year-month data period and can be submitted in any year-month order.
New SFTP Server

- TX-APCD SFTP process is now slightly modified:
  - New Address (all submitters): `apcd-sftp.txapcd.org`
  - No longer separate server for submitters with MFA exceptions
  - Submit files to `uploads (cd /uploads)`
  - Every submitter has their own /uploads folder (not shared)
  - SCP is no longer supported (only SFTP)
- For those with MFA exceptions, whitelisted IPs and public keys were migrated to new SFTP server
- Updated technical guide will be published along with the materials from this forum (expected May 24th)
- Please test connectivity to new SFTP server and create a ticket for issues
- May continue to test via legacy locations through June 9th
- Submissions through HTTPS via the portal at txapcd.org is unaffected
Best Practices for Production Submissions

- TX-APCD has separated the start of monthly and historical submissions to have a limited initial production submission run.
- For historical submissions, submit a few months of data to ensure success before sending the remainder of the required historical files.
- For the rest of 2023, there will be an overlap of monthly and historical file submission(s), TX-APCD will prioritize monthly submissions during the first seven (7) calendar days of the month. Don’t be alarmed if your historical file submissions remain on the server for an extended period.

**Note:** Historical files should be submitted in a single year-month data period .zip file, exactly as a monthly submission. This ensures that if one month fails the entire year is not rejected. Historical files may be sent in any data period order.
Reminder – Test

- Please continue to test.
- Makes go-live much smoother for all parties.
- May submit via SFTP at apcd-sftp.txapcd.org or before June 9th: secure.corral.tacc.utexas.edu (MFA) or apcd.tacc.utexas.edu (MFA exception).
- Thank you for responding to the questionnaire!

**Note:** Submitters are required to complete successful test file submission before the start of monthly and historical data file submission.

~60% of submitters have not submitted a test file
Based on user feedback.
New TX-APCD Website available:  https://go.uth.edu/txapcd
All TX-APCD information under TEXAS ALL-PAYOR CLAIMS DATABASE menu.
Still adjusting menu items, some information may shuffle but will be under that main menu.
Questions?

- Planning on June 16 Submitter Forum where we will discuss the necessary configurations for go-live.
- Questions –
  - Please submit via chat.
  - If your question is specific to your organization, for:
    - General questions – send email inquiries to txapcd@uth.tmc.edu.
    - Portal and data submission questions – please enter a ticket via the submitter portal at https://txapcd.org.