

## **ALL PAYER CLAIMS DATABASE (APCD)**

### **2013 ANNUAL REPORT**

SUBMITTED BY THE WV INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, SECRETARY OF THE WV DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WV HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY (COLLECTIVELY, 'THE MOU PARTIES')

Statutory background: In 2011, the legislature enacted Enr. Com. Sub. For 2745 that provides for the development by MOU parties of an all-payer claims database that will collect, retain, use and disclose information concerning the claims and administrative expenses of health care payers. See W. Va. Code §33-4A-1. W. Va. Code §33-4A-3(c) provides that “the MOU parties shall make an annual report to the Governor, which shall also be filed with the Joint Committee on Government and Finance, summarizing the activities of the APCD in the preceding year.

#### 2013 Activities

The MOU parties reviewed and considered several options regarding the implementation of the All Payer Claims Database including a proposal to hire a director or bring in a consultant for advice with respect to its implementation. After due consideration, it was determined that it would initially be valuable to assess the operation and functionality of the DHHR Data Warehouse in its generation and collection of state-owned information prior to collecting privately held insurance company information. The DHHR data warehouse is in use with Medicaid data and other agency payers are in various phases or levels of discussion about capturing their information. Stakeholders met and agreed that a cost analysis and functionality study should be done to assess the feasibility. Initial and long-term funding sources must be obtained to sustain the program. Accordingly, it was determined that it would be prudent to delay immediate action on the APCD implementation until a functionality study and funding proposals are completed and reviewed, at which time the parties will be better informed to move forward with the All Payer Claims Database.