# 25.07 – Adjustments based on April DRRC Discussion

• Removal of primary research aim:

(xv.) Evaluation of market power (as determined by total charged vs. allowed) and its effect on patient and provider choices in health care services and referrals.

- Financial data elements reduced with the removal of Allowed Amount and Charged Amount
- Not requesting SUD data at this time (use case 002, Health Insurance Instability and Mortality among Patients Treated for Opioid Use Disorder)

#### 25.07 – Refresh Process

Every 6 months, CIVHC will refresh the CO APCD data as follows:

- IHR destroys all previously delivered CO APCD data
- IHR returns certificate of data destruction to CIVHC
- IHR sends CIVHC a new finder file of KPCO members
- CIVHC generates CO APCD extract for matched finder file members
- New extract is delivered to IHR

#### 25.07 - Data Flow



We heard and have evaluated the concerns voiced last month:

- 1. Scope of the finder file and inclusion of KP members' data after disenrollment
- 2. Amount of data being requested
- 3. Potential conflicts with Antitrust Safety Zone guidelines

1. Scope of the finder file and inclusion of KP members' data after disenrollment

CIVHC's Evaluation: This request meets the definition of use for Treatment, Payment and Health Care Operations (TPO) under HIPAA.

- The intended use of all data is to evaluate "processes of care, exposures, outcomes, and value/cost of care for KPCO patients with chronic health conditions."
- HIPAA allows data released for TPO to subsequently be used for research with IRB approval.

1. Scope of the finder file and inclusion of KP members' data after disenrollment

CIVHC's Evaluation: The request for inclusion of members' data after disenrollment is reasonable to evaluate the impact of treatment and operations.

- The Finder File will include a member for up to five (5) years after their disenrollment (e.g., a member terminated in 2015 would be present in the dataset through 2020 with no data included from 2021-2024).
- Colorado requires retention of patient records for seven (7) years.

2. Amount of data being requested

CIVHC's Evaluation: Under HIPAA, covered entities are not required to apply the minimum necessary standard for disclosures under TPO.

- We recognize this is a large amount of data and have had multiple conversations with the IHR team about limiting access to the complete dataset as required by HIPAA.
- CIVHC has approved the Data Management Plan submitted by KPCO IHR and can confirm it meets both HIPAA requirements for data protection and Colorado regulatory requirements.

3. Potential conflicts with Antitrust Safety Zone guidelines

CIVHC's Evaluation: The data being requested sufficiently masks other payers to prevent reengineering of negotiated rate information.

- Use of Third Parties: Data collection and aggregation is conducted by an independent third party.
- ✓ Data Age: The information exchanged is at least three months old.
- Data Aggregation: Data is aggregated such that payers' information cannot be identified.

## 25.07 – Another Kind of Data Mart

#### **HCPF** Data Mart

Unanimously approved by DRRC 5/5/2021

- Data housed by CIVHC sub-contractor
- Limited number of individuals allowed access to the complete dataset
- Individual use cases require DRRC approval
- Project teams granted data access via SFTP

#### **KPCO IHR Subscription**

- Data housed by IHR
- Limited number of individuals allowed access to the complete dataset
- Individual use cases require DRRC approval
- Project teams receive a subset of the complete extract limited only to the identified study cohort after use case approval