

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES (DHCS)
CLINICAL ASSURANCE DIVISION (CAD)
PUBLIC HOSPITAL PROJECT**

**Technical Workgroup Teleconference
March 1, 2021 Teleconference Minutes**

Teleconference Attendees on Behalf of the Department:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
1. Dr. Van Natta	DHCS CAD
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3. Dr. Do	DHCS CAD
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Handouts

Each participant was e-mailed an agenda. In addition, a link to the Designated Public Hospitals (DPH) website for minutes from previous meetings was also provided.

Agenda Item I: Introductions

Agenda Item II: Quarterly Denied Medi-Cal Days

Discussion: The Fall Denied Medi-Cal Days data for dates of admission October 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 is due on or before March 31. We will send out a reminder in the next two weeks or so to everyone if your facility has not already submitted the data.

Agenda Item III: COVID Admin Days Data

Discussion: At the request of the California Association of Public Hospitals (CAPH), DHCS has tabulated the number of COVID-19 Admin Days claims

resulting from the newly implemented COVID-19 Admin Days process. This process retroed back to March 18, 2020 allowing flexibility for hospitals to claim COVID-19 services as Admin Days. DHCS ran data for all hospitals and found approximately 420 Admin Days with the COVID-19 diagnosis in either the primary or secondary field. Of those 420 days, approximately 250 were specific to DPH. DPH are at the 60% ratio of those days being paid. DHCS expects this number to increase as the DPH continues to bill and review self-denied Admin Days.

Agenda Item IV: 2019 Individual Hospital Performance Reports

Discussion: Due to COVID-19 and delayed quarterly reviews, the 2019 Hospital Performance Reports will be delayed. Once the 2019 paid claims data is completed, the reports will be drafted and released to the DPH.

Agenda Item V: Next Meeting Date – Monday, June 7, 2021 at 11:00 am