

• **October 25, 2021**

A quorum of the Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council (HDDAC) met virtually at 2:00 p.m. on October 25, 2021, to review the drafted rules submitted by its subcommittees, verify their accordance with Alabama Act 2021-129, and finalize said rules.

With only a revision to one of the definitions, the Council approved the rules by a unanimous vote. After discussing the timeline moving forward, a tentative meeting date was set for January 5, 2022. All HDDAC meetings are public and will be announced on the Secretary of State website prior to each meeting.

The meeting concluded at 2:58 p.m.

• **October 19, 2021**

The Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council's (HDDAC) Technical Committee met via Webex on October 19, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. to review and discuss proposed rules received from HDDAC subcommittees. Each subcommittee previously reviewed and discussed the proposed rules and engaged in a detailed discussion of the need to maintain consistency between the various rules. After reviewing the rules and changes that were previously made by the subcommittees, the Technical Committee made minor revisions to Rules 420-12-1-.04 and 420-12-1-.08 and agreed that the rules were ready to be presented to the full Council for consideration and adoption during the next HDDAC meeting scheduled for October 25, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. via Webex. The Technical Committee meeting adjourned at approximately 4:37 p.m.

• **October 14, 2021**

The Enforcement Subcommittee of the Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council met via Webex on October 14, 2021, at 1:00 p.m., to review and discuss proposed rules for presentation to the Council's Technical Committee on October 19, 2021, and then to the full Council for consideration and adoption. Members of the Technical Committee also participated. The Subcommittee engaged in a detailed discussion of the need to maintain consistency between the various rules and to ensure that de-identified, zip-code aggregated level discharge data is specified for purposes of ensuring the confidentiality of any released data, but had minimal changes to the draft rules under 420-X-X-.04 circulated for consideration by the Department's counsel.

Draft Rules 420-X-X-.04 and 420-X-X-.08 were approved with changes by the Subcommittee, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:40 p.m.

• **October 14, 2021**

The Reporting and Release of Data Subcommittee of the Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council met via Zoom on October 14, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., to review and discuss proposed rules for presentation to the Council's Technical Committee on October 19, 2021, and then to the full Council for consideration and adoption. The Subcommittee engaged in a detailed discussion of the need to provide electronic and written notice of errors or deficiencies in hospital reported data under Rule 420-X-X-.05; with regard to Rule 420-X-X-.07, the Subcommittee deliberated the need to specifically reference de-identified, zip-code aggregated level data as the only available data for public use and to clarify that any requests respecting the release of data should be addressed by the Council. The Subcommittee had no changes to the draft rules under 420-X-X-.03 circulated for consideration by the Department's counsel.

Draft Rule 420-X-X-.03 was approved as presented; rules 420-X-X-.05 and 420-X-X-.07 were approved by the Subcommittee with changes. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:36 a.m.

• **October 14, 2021**

The Definitions and Required Data Elements Subcommittee of the Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council met via Zoom on October 14, 2021, at 8:00 a.m., to review and discuss proposed rules for presentation to the Council's Technical Committee on October 19, 2021, and then to the full Council for consideration and adoption. Members of the Technical Committee also participated. The Subcommittee engaged in a detailed discussion of the data elements to be included in the minimum data sets for hospital discharge records, but had no changes to the draft rules under 420-X-X-.01 and 420-X-X-.02

circulated for consideration by the Department's counsel.

Draft Rules 420-X-X-.01 and 420-X-X-.02 were approved by the Subcommittee, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:41 a.m.

• **October 1, 2021**

A quorum of the Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council (HDDAC) met virtually at 11 a.m. on October 1, 2021, for a presentation of the Hospital Industry Data Institute (HIDI) pertaining to how data will be collected, and to discuss next steps.

The Council approved and elected a Technical Committee to review and approve the rules. Subcommittees will meet to draft their portion of the Rules prior to the next full committee meeting. All HDDAC meetings are public and will be announced on the Secretary of State website prior to each meeting.

The meeting concluded at 12:06 p.m.