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Dialogue with Humana

How a Health Plan has
Successfully Implemented the
Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating
Rules

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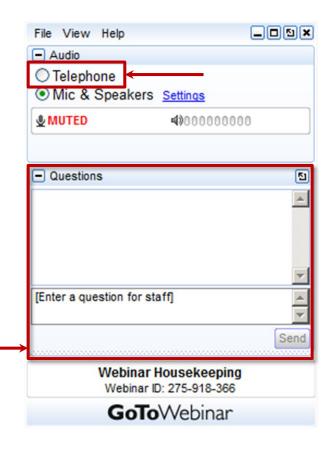
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Thank You Speakers!

CAQH CORE would like to thank our guest presenters for today's webinar.



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Melissa Vowels

Program Manager, EDI Implementation Humana Inc.



Session Outline

- Welcome and Introduction
- Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules
- Phase IV Voluntary CORE Certification
- Humana Company Profile & Rationale for Phase IV Implementation
- Virtual Dialogue with Humana
- Q&A



Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

Erin Weber Associate Director, CAQH CORE

Scope of Phase IV CAQH CORE Rule Requirements

Reminder: Health Claims Attachments transaction not included; there is no formal HIPAA Health Claims Attachments standard(s).

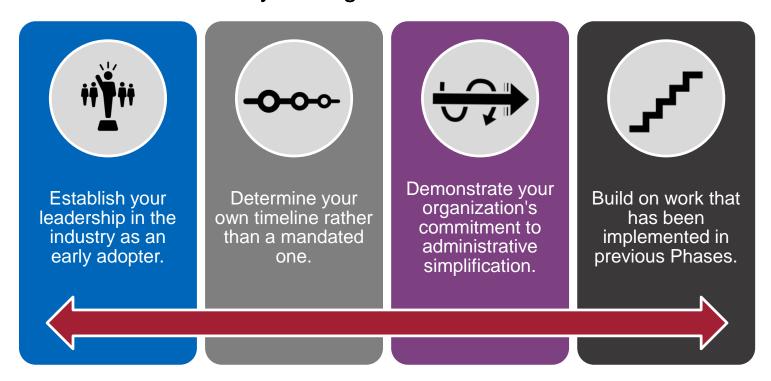
| Infrastructure Requirement | Prior Authorization | Claims | Enrollment/ Disenrollment | Premium Payment |
|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Processing Mode | Batch OR Real Time Required | Batch Required; Real Time Optional | Batch Required; Real Time Optional | Batch Required; Real Time Optional |
| Batch Processing Mode Response Time | If Batch Offered | X | X | X |
| Batch Acknowledgements | If Batch Offered | X | X | X |
| Real Time Processing Mode Response Time | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered |
| Real Time Acknowledgements | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered | If Real Time Offered |
| Safe Harbor Connectivity and Security | X | X | X | X |
| System Availability | X | X | X | X |
| Companion Guide Template | X | X | X | X |
| Other | N/A | Include guidance for COB in companion guide | Timeframe requirements to process data after successful receipt and verification of transaction | Timeframe requirements to process data after successful receipt and verification of transaction |

X = Required



Implementing Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

By voluntarily implementing the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules, your organization will:



Realize savings and efficiencies for you and your customers.

Value Proposition: Cost Reductions/Increased Efficiency Phase IV Rule requirements will save time and money



Response time and acknowledgment requirements ensure nothing falls into a black hole and that providers are informed.



Less time is spent verifying information over the phone.



Providers can immediately learn if their claim submissions were successfully received by plan and moved into the adjudication system.



Providers can immediately learn whether the plan has received and is reviewing prior authorization request.



CAQH CORE safe harbor ensures providers can connect online for all of their transactions using their preferred connection method.



Providers can improve coordination of benefits (COB) through more timely eligibility information from health plan and knowledge of plan's requirement for COB in their companion guide.



Health plans can build on investments already made in infrastructure for eligibility, claim status, EFT and ERA.

Phase IV CAQH CORE Analysis & Planning Guide Understand the applicability of rules to various trading partners

As with previous Phases, CAQH CORE now has an <u>Analysis & Planning Guide</u> for the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules.



Planning Guide should be used by project staff to:

Understand applicability of the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rule requirements to organization's systems and processes that conduct the transactions.

Identify all impacted external and internal systems and outsourced vendors that process the transactions.

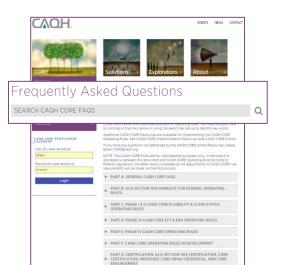
Conduct detailed rule requirements gap analysis to identify system(s) that may require remediation and business processes which may be impacted.

Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

CAQH CORE FAQ Website

Includes more than 100 Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rule FAQs, from general concepts to technical questions



More FAQs are added every month!

Part E: Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

I. Overview of Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

II. CAQH CORE 450: Health Care Claim (837) Infrastructure Rule

III. CAQH CORE 452: Health Care Services Review - Request for Review and Response (278) Infrastructure Rule

IV. CAQH CORE 454: Benefit Enrollment and Maintenance (834) Infrastructure Rule

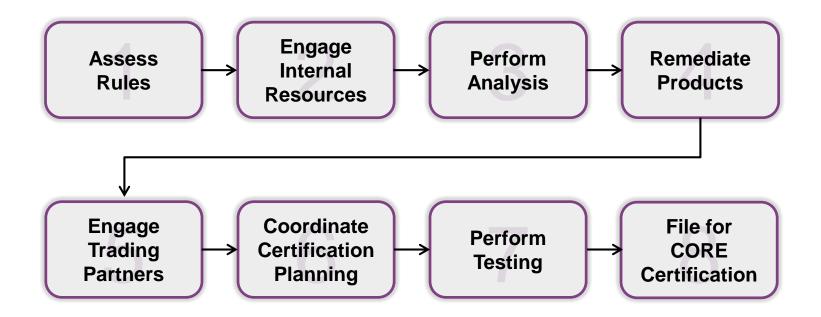
V. CAQH CORE 456: Premium Payment (820) Infrastructure Rule

VI. CAQH CORE 470: Connectivity Rule

VII. Resources for Implementing the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules

Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rule

Implementation Approach



Assess the Rules: Phase IV Operating Rules

Perform Analysis: CORE Analysis & Planning Guide

Coordinate Certification Planning: CORE Certification Process, Certification Process

E-Learning Tool

Phase IV Voluntary CORE Certification

Taha Anjarwalla Senior Associate, CAQH CORE



Voluntary CORE Certification Developed BY Industry, FOR Industry

CORE.

A CAQH Initiative

<u>CORE Certification</u> is the most robust and widely-recognized industry program of its kind. Its approach assures an independent, industry-developed confirmation of conformance with operating rules and underlying standards:



Requirements are developed by broad, multi-stakeholder industry representation via transparent discussion and polling processes.

Required conformance testing is conducted by third party testing vendors that are experts in EDI and testing.



CAQH CORE serves as a neutral, non-commercial administrator:

Authorizes the conformance testing vendors.

Reviews and approves the Certification applications, e.g. trading partner dependencies, number of platforms, and conformance test reports before a Certification Seal is awarded.



CORE Certifications Awarded by Stakeholder Type

Nearly 300 CORE Certifications to date!

| Health Plans | Gold Coast Health Plan MA Public Entity | SAN FRANCISCO HEALTH PLAN Here for you | UPMC Health Plan | HealthPlan IIII OF SAN MATEO | OMES OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & ENTERPRISE SERVICES | KAISER PERMANENTE» |
|---------------------|---|--|------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Providers § | Department of Veterans Affairs | MAYO CLINIC | MONTEFIORE Medical Center | WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES | GROUP WEDICAL | SPECTRUM LABORATORY NETWORK |
| Clearinghouses | ATRIZETTO° Provider Solutions™ | Post ® Track | SSI | OPTUM™ | CHANGE HEALTHCARE | InstaMed Healthcare Payments Simplified |
| Vendor Solutions | MEDITECH Reimagining healthcare. Redefining productivity. | N EXTGEN HEALTHCARE | GE Healthcare | PNC HEALTHCARE | athenahealth | ≪ RelayHealth |



Entities that Can Become CORE-certified

| Health Plan Stakeholder Types | Provider Stakeholder Types | Clearinghouse Stakeholder Types | Vendor Solutions or Products |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| HIPAA-covered Health Plan | HIPAA-covered Provider | Clearinghouse as defined by HIPAA | Health Plan vendor service |
| Third Party Administrators | Physicians | Clearinghouse (not covered by HIPAA) | Health Plan vendor product |
| Health Insurance Issuer | Hospitals | Health Information Exchange | Provider vendor service |
| Government Payers, including Medicaid Plans | Provider's agent | Health Insurance Marketplaces or Exchanges | Provider vendor plan |
| Group Health Plan | Independent Physician Association | Financial Institution | |
| Health Plan Agent | | | |

Who is CORE Certified?

- ✓ Seven out of ten largest commercial health plans
- ✓ Largest integrated healthcare system in the country (VHA)
- ✓ A large percentage of the Medicaid population is covered by a CORE-certified plan



Voluntary CORE Certification is Good for Business

| HEALTH PLANS | PROVIDERS | CLEARINGHOUSES | VENDOR SOLUTIONS | |
|---|---|---|------------------|--|
| Conduct secure, timely, and streamlined electronic transactions. | Eliminate time-consuming calls/paperwork. | Add value for current customers and attract new customers. | | |
| Demonstrate conformance with federally mandated operating rules and underlying standards. | Increase patient satisfaction through efficient patient services. | Meet expectations: CORE Certification is becoming a trading partner contract expectation by health plans and providers. | | |
| Show that you are maximizing the efficiencies afforded by the | Show that you are maximizing the efficiencies afforded by the operating rules and underlying standards. | Guarantee that your systems, products, or services are conformant with the operating rules and underlying standards. | | |
| operating rules and underlying standards. | | Help your customers: CORE Certification allows your customers the value-add of "drafting" behind your certification and also becoming CORE-certified. | | |



Achieve these goals through CORE Certification, a process that uses industry-developed conformance requirements, a third-party tester, and a neutral, non-commercial administrator.

Phase IV CORE Certification



Be an industry leader and become Phase IV Certified in 2016!

If you're a health plan, clearinghouse, provider, or if you have a product or solution that helps those entities conduct transactions, **be the first** of your competitors to be CORE-certified in the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules in **fall 2016!**

As in previous Phases

- · Health plans
- Clearinghouses
- Providers
- Vendor products
- Vendor solutions

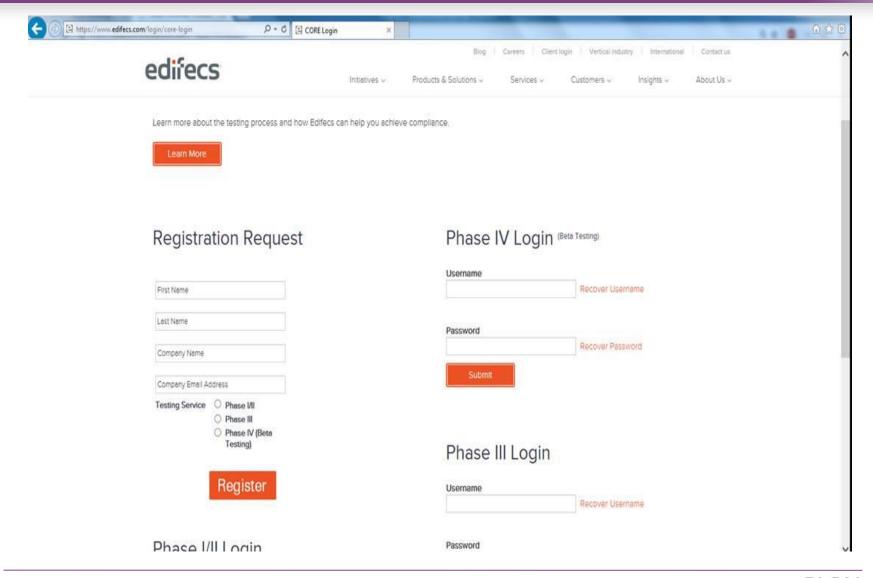
can become CORE-Certified for Phase IV.



Contact CORE@CAQH.org if you're interested, or if you have further questions about CORE Certification.

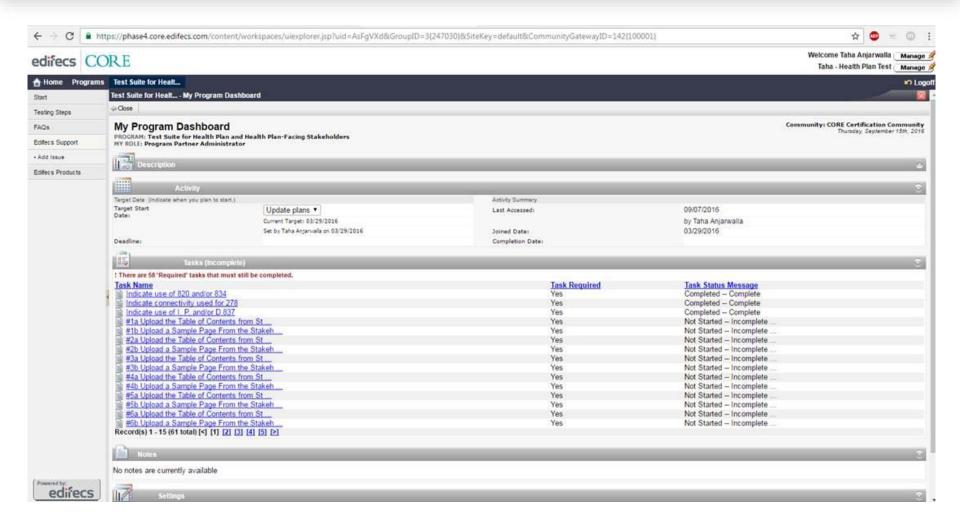


Voluntary Phase IV CORE Certification Login for the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rule Testing Platform





Voluntary Phase IV CORE Certification *Phase IV Testing Platform – Display of Various Testing Tasks*





Polling Question #1

What is the furthest stage of implementing the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules are you voluntarily planning to complete by the end of 2017? (Select all that apply)

- 1. Internal Education and Awareness
- 2. Analysis and Planning/Systems Design
- 3. Systems Implementation/Integration and Testing
- 4. Deployment/Maintenance
- 5. We do not plan to start voluntary implementation in 2016



Humana Company Profile & Rationale for Phase IV Implementation

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Process Owner, Provider Process Implementation, Humana Inc.



Who is Humana?

- Longevity: Celebrating 50 years of providing personalize and exceptional service at every level, with services to enhance the wellness of each employee no matter what stage of life.
- Lifelong Well-being: Dedicated to providing solutions to enhance the wellness of each employee no matter what stage of life
- ❖ Financially Stable: 73 on Fortune 500 with revenues of \$41.3 billion; total assets of approximately \$20.7 billion
- Multi-faceted: Commercial, Individual, Medicare, Medicaid, Specialty Benefits and Well-being Solutions
- Personal: Dedicated to providing personalized and exceptional service at every level







Humana and CORE Certification

- Why become CORE-certified?
 - Customer service
 - Industry acceptance
 - Provider satisfaction
 - Standardized delivery and testing on future projects
- Certification at Humana
 - March 4, 2009 (CORE) Phase I compliant
 - March 20, 2013 CORE® Phase II Certification
 - October 9, 2013 CORE Phase III Certification

Project Planning and Resources

- Get the right staff committed to implementation and strategy
 - Humana Services Operations and IT executive leadership committed to CAQH CORE strategy early and supported the IT/Business design.
 - Possible cost of penalties for non-compliance are a great motivator.
- Identify necessary resources and systems impacted
 - Humana's Annual capital budget process included project funding for completing CORE Operating Rule implementation; 2007 – Today.
 - Allocated IT resources and SME's as required to support projects.
 - Established a dedicated team for EDI operations and day-to-day transaction management.
 - Established an Administrative Simplification Program aligned to Corporate Healthcare Reform CORE objectives.
- Understand capabilities, roles and responsibilities of Trading Partners
 - Does your software vendor have products or solutions that can directly help with CORE Operating Rule implementation?
 - Larger Software vendors tend to have solutions to aid in implementation, which can help smaller payers that
 may not have the technological or human resources available for a more efficient and streamlined
 implementation process



Virtual Dialogue with Humana

Moderator: Jessica Porras Senior Manager, CAQH CORE



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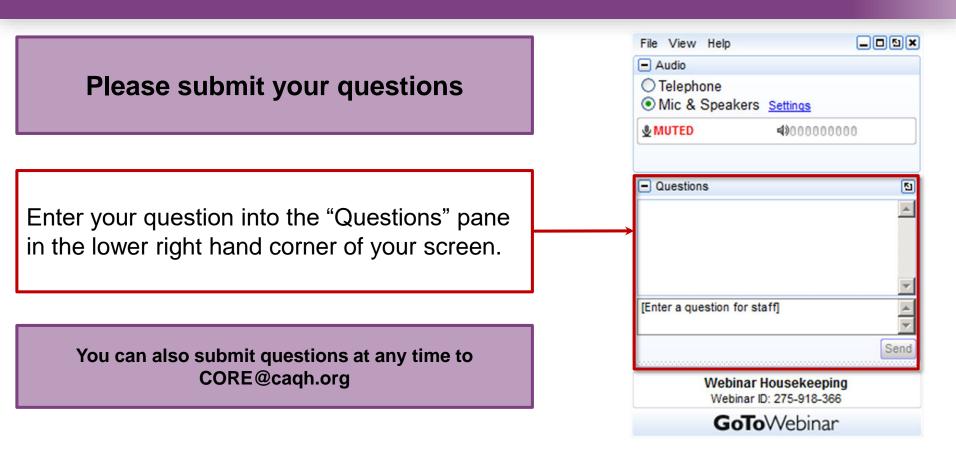
Jessica Porras
CAQH CORE
Senior Manager
MODERATOR

Polling Question #2

Do you anticipate your organization will become Phase IV CORE Certified?

- 1. Yes
- 2. Unsure
- 3. No
- 4. Not applicable to my stakeholder type

Audience Q & A



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Key Takeaways

- There is value in planning for Phase IV implementation now. Be a leader in the healthcare industry.
- The Phase IV CAQH CORE Voluntary Operating Rules build upon Phases I-III.
- Voluntary Phase IV CORE Certification was developed FOR industry, BY industry to help realize the benefits from implementing the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules.
- CAQH CORE is available to answer your questions and provide implementation resources for the Phase IV CAQH CORE Operating Rules as well as for Phases I-III.

Engage with CAQH CORE!

<u>CAQH CORE Website</u> or contact us at <u>CORE@CAQH.org</u>

Participate in the CAQH CORE Code Combinations Task Group (CCTG) or the Enrollment Data Task Group

Become a <u>CAQH</u> <u>CORE Participating</u> <u>Organization</u>

Explore Voluntary CORE Certification

Register for our educational webinars



Dedicated webpages:

- ✓ Code Combination Maintenance
- ✓ <u>EFT/ERA Enrollment</u> Maintenance
- ✓ <u>Voluntary CORE</u> <u>Certification</u>
- ✓ CAQH CORE Phase IV Operating Rules



Upcoming CAQH CORE Education Sessions



Voluntary CORE Certification National Webinar – NEW: Phase IV Certification

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 - 2 PM ET

Uniform Use of CARCs and RARCs: How to Improve Your Denial Management Process with a Case Study Presentation from Anthem

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016 - 2 PM ET

CAQH CORE Town Hall National Webinar

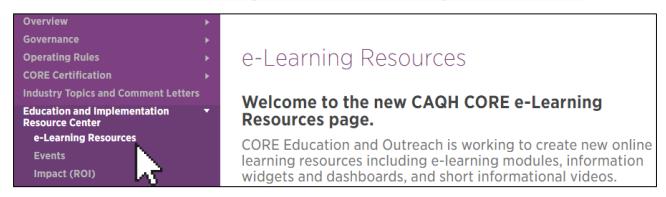
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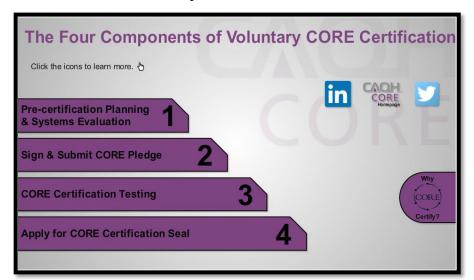


New e-Learning Resources from CORE

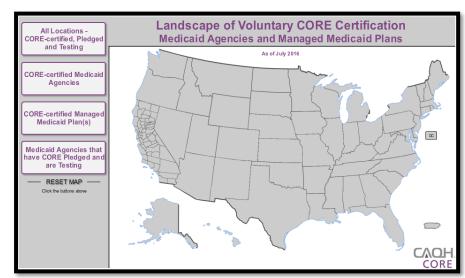
www.caqh.org/core/elearning-resources



Learn about the four components needed to complete voluntary CORE Certification



Explore our new interactive map to learn which Medicaid agencies are achieving CORE Certification.





Thank you for joining us!

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