

**LDO Monthly Meeting**  
**August 11, 2004**  
**2:00-3:00 EST**  
**Toll Free Dial In Number: (866-249-5325)**  
**Participant Code: 804767**

**I. Roll Call**

Name of Organization		Attendee Name	Name of Organization		Attendee Name
DaVita		Janet Holland	eSOURCE		Cammie Dunnagan
		Bob Lehn		✓	Shannon Wright
		Patrick Fletcher		✓	Crystal Henderson
DCI		Chris Lovell	CMS		Kathy Sagel
FMCNA	✓	Roger Theriault			Diane Frankenfield
		Norma Ofsthun		✓	Matthew Leipold
	✓	Alexis Porras		✓	Terry Conner
	✓	Dr. Lazarus			Pam Frederick
Gambro	✓	Jose' Nabut		✓	Victoria Schlining
	✓	Kay Hall			Brady Augustine
RCG	✓	Diane Thierauf		✓	Gina Clemons
		Scott Burchfiel		✓	Jefferson Rowland
	✓	John Levy		✓	Connie Cole

**I. General Topics (Matthew)**

- Reminder: Qnet conference is scheduled for Sept 20-24<sup>th</sup> in Hunt Valley Maryland. CMS is currently working with Dr. Lazarus on the slide presentations.
- Solicitation for 2728 JAD Session September 1-2, 2004 – New requirements for the 2728 will be reviewed including rules for development into SIMS and VISION. CMS would like to extend an invitation to any LDO's that would like to participate as an introduction to future file specifications that will be developed to electronically submit data. Would like to have IT representation. Currently only DCI has committed to attend
- CPM Letter – CMS would like to thank the LDO's who provided the CPM letter that was distributed to Networks and Facilities
- LDO Contact List – CMS is requested that the LDO's complete the attached contact sheet and return it to Shannon Wright ([swright@esrsource.net](mailto:swright@esrsource.net)) They would like to start and maintain a list of primary contacts for both the IT and Clinical side that can be used by both the Technical and Program groups at CMS for partnership activities. (see attached contact sheet)
- Core Data Set Element Review – Each of the primary LDO contacts were sent a Core Data Set book in early July for comment. We would like to receive comments from each of the LDO's. Only one LDO has submitted comments to date (FMCNA). The Technical Expert Panel recommended the CDS elements and did have LDO representation, but CMS recommends that all LDO's review the recommendations and make comments. If comments are not received then CMS will assume the non-participating LDO's are relying on their counterparts recommendations. LDO's have been sent additional materials electronically for review
- Per Gina Clemons, the Fistula First Project is in the spotlight and the agency has committed to this project as a breakthrough area. In the next few months you will be hearing more about the strategic partnership between CMS and LDO's to increase fistula use attempting to reach care providers prior to ESRD through Medicaid programs to improve care.
- FMCNA requested another review of the mapping categories for the Fistula First Project. JR will investigate this and further discuss with Diane Frankenfield the Fistula First vs. CPM data elements related to vascular access and how this is going to be recommended as part of the CDS.

## **II. Vascular Access (JR/Shannon)**

- The July dashboard information will be available for review on August 16th at [http://www.simsproject.com/cds\\_QI.asp](http://www.simsproject.com/cds_QI.asp)
- CMS will begin developing additional reports that are LDO specific for the dashboard. These will be shared with the LDO's once they have been developed.

## **III. CPM File Specification Update (Crystal/Vickie)**

- Review of CPM timeline and address any questions
  - Networks have begun printing and distribution of pre-populated forms for 5% sample. They have all been provided with the standard CMS/LDO approved letter.
  - CMS has granted Networks a 30-day extension for data entry completion, therefore expectation is that all forms should be returned between June 22<sup>nd</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> (Step #30)
  - CPM format of file specification  
LDOs represented at this meeting feel that the current excel spreadsheet format is partially meeting their needs. However, suggested that in addition to the spreadsheet they would also like to see a separate document containing field definitions, permissible values and logic as we move forward.

**Please Note: The entire CPM Timeline can be viewed at: [http://www.esrdsources.net/cpm\\_main.asp](http://www.esrdsources.net/cpm_main.asp)**

## **IV. Elab Update (Shannon)**

- Elab database and reports are currently being reviewed by each Network for facility release

## **V. Patient Events (Shannon)**

- Patient Activity Report, Patient Roster, and Business Rules/Definitions will have final revisions at the Qnet conference in September. eSOURCE will provide LDO's with updated copy when they have been completed and approved by CMS for review and comment.