**Administrative Bulletin 21-03**

**957 CMR 2.00: Payer Data Reporting**

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**Revision of Payer Data Reporting Requirements**

The Center for Health Information and Analysis (“CHIA”) is issuing this Administrative Bulletin in accordance with 957 CMR 2.05 and 2.10 to notify Payers required to submit Relative Price (RP) data of revised general data submission requirements.

CHIA is changing the Physician Groups that must be separately identified in accordance with 957 CMR 2.05(2)(a) from the top Physician Groups within a Payer’s network, determined by revenue from the payer until 90% of total payments are represented or payments to the Physician Group fall below $5,000 to Payers now reporting until 90% of total payments are represented or payments to the Physician Group fall below $20,000. The Physician Group reporting threshold is increasing from $5,000 to $20,000 to reduce the burden on payers to report on multiple Physician Groups with small payment thresholds.

CHIA is changing the Other Providers that must be separately identified in accordance with 957 CMR 2.05(3)(b) from the top Providers within a Payer’s network, determined by revenue from the payer, until 80% of total payments to each Other Provider category identified in 957 CMR 2.05(3)(a) are represented to Payers now reporting top Providers within a Payer’s network, determined by revenue from the payer, until 80% of total payments to each Other Provider category identified in 957 CMR 2.05(3)(a) are represented or payments to the Provider fall below $20,000. The reporting threshold on Other Providers is being set to $20,000 to reduce the burden on payers to report on multiple Other Providers with small payment thresholds.

CHIA is changing the due date requirements for the Physician Group Relative Price reports in accordance with 957 CMR 2.05(5)(b). Payers must now submit data reports for Physician Groups for the Calendar Year ending 18 months prior and for the Calendar Year prior to the deadline as specified in the *Data Specification Manual*.

Payers shall continue to report Relative Price data for the remaining data elements defined in 957 CMR 2.05, as specified in the *Data Specification Manual*.