

Massachusetts All-Payer Claims Database: Technical Assistance Group (TAG)

May 13, 2025

Agenda

- MA APCD
- Enrollment Trends
- DOI Reporting
- Questions

MA APCD Intake

- All APCD files through March 2025 were due by April 30th. This includes any re-submissions. Since this is the end of a quarter, files will be used for Q1 2025 DOI Membership and Utilization reporting as well as CHIA's Enrollment Trends.
- Please work with your liaison in submitting any overdue files.
- Please be mindful when selecting the Submission Month and Year in FileSecure. If the wrong month and/or year is selected, it will deactivate previously submitted, valid files.
- CHIA continues to revisit claims versioning methods with select payers. We'll reach out when we have examples to share as we analyze the logic for each company.
- Please alert CHIA if you plan to change PBMs as that could impact pharmacy claims versioning methods.

MA APCD 2026 Submission Guide Updates

- Draft versions of the 2026 MA APCD submission guides are available at: <https://www.chiamass.gov/apcd-data-submission-guides>
- New filing type: Member Simplified (MS) file:
 - Includes some existing Member Eligibility data elements.
 - Additional data elements added (Race, Ethnicity, Language, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Disability Status, Address, Sex Assigned at Birth).
 - CHIA is requesting available data that plans currently collect and can report for these additional fields. If data is unavailable, plans can submit as “Unknown”.
 - Clarity added to table values of ‘OTH’, ‘DONTKNOW’, ‘ASKU’, ‘UNK’.
 - Will require a new version of CHIA’s FileSecure application.

MA APCD 2026 Submission Guide Updates

- Some Member Eligibility (ME) fields are changing to 'Filler' fields as they are moving to the new MS file type.
- ME & MS files will need to link using the Carrier Specific Unique Member ID (CSUMID).
- The goal of moving to this new file is to shorten the time it takes for most submitters to encrypt the file using FileSecure since this is a monthly snapshot of 1 record per member rather than 24 rolling months.
- The Administrative Bulletin was adopted in April – liaisons sent a notification to all submitters.
- Test files will need to be submitted in the Fall of 2025.
- Production files are due in February 2026 for January 2026 data.

2026 MA APCD Submission Guide Updates

MA APCD Intake Process	Timeline
Data Partners Propose Updates	November 2024/December 2024
Proposals Shared with Carriers	December 2024/January 2025
Draft Submission Guides published	January 2025
Guides Reviewed at Technical Advisory Group	February 2025
Carrier Comment Period	February 2025
Administrative Bulletin and Guides Adopted	April 2025
Development/Testing	April-December 2025
Carrier Testing	Fall 2025
MA APCD Intake Version 2026 Production	February 2026

Enrollment Trends Update

- The next Enrollment Trends reporting cycle will be based on data through **March 2025** and is scheduled to be published in September 2025.
- CHIA sent requests for Supplemental data through March 2025 to certain payers last week, due back to CHIA **this Thursday, May 15th**.
- CHIA will be sending Payer Verification workbooks to verify ME data through March 2025 submitted to the APCD in early June 2025.
- **For questions on Enrollment Trends:** Contact your CHIA liaison.

Enrollment Trends Timeline

April 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	Aug 2025	Sept 2025
Payers submit March 2025 MA APCD files					
	Supplemental enrollment reports due (certain payers)				
		MA APCD enrollment counts sent to payers for review			
			Reporting		

DOI Reporting

- Q1 2025 HMO Membership reports will be sent to select payers later this month.
- Claims/Utilization reports using data through September 2024 were sent to select payers yesterday. Signoff is due by 7/11/25.
- We continue to work with some payers to reconcile differences in certain utilization report categories.

Next Meetings

- June 10, 2025 @ 2:00 pm
- July 8, 2025 @ 2:00 pm

Questions?