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#### **Undergraduate Education and College Degree**

The University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA — Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, 1981, Entrepreneur Program - management decision-making, leadership, marketing, financing of startups.

The University of California, Irvine — Studies in Economics, Inferential Statistics,<sup>1</sup> and Computer Science; multiple programming languages and software development methodologies and usability studies, 1976 to 1978.<sup>2</sup>



#### Postgraduate Courses, Training, Certificate Programs

Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, MA — Clinical Bioethics and Risk Management, certificate, 2018 <sup>3</sup> - ethical, legal, technological issues in Medicine<sup>4, 5, 6, 7</sup> AL and Precision Medicine 2019; Privacy, prediction, precision medicine<sup>8</sup> Addiction Medicine 2022<sup>9</sup>

Stanford Medical School, Palo Alto, CA —Biomedical Informatics, 2015 <sup>10, 11</sup> - biomedical systems, data, knowledge, <sup>12</sup> terminologies, <sup>13</sup> rule-based systems, description logic, 'Artificial Intelligence in medicine,' <sup>14</sup> ontologies and problem solving Methods, <sup>15</sup> Locating, using medical information in a digital age, certificate May 2019, <sup>16</sup> evidence-based clinical decisions. <sup>17</sup>

Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA – Board of Directors' effective Governance of public companies, certificate, April 2023.<sup>18</sup>

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology.** Cambridge, MA - MIT Sloan School **Blockchain Technologies** blockchain-based ventures, crypto assets, cryptography, and cybersecurity, shared ledgers, Merckle trees, <sup>19</sup> evaluating Initial Coin Offering (ICO) investments, <sup>20</sup> privacy, proof of work, <sup>21</sup> mining, evaluation of over twenty crypto ventures with case studies, certificate, 2022<sup>22</sup>

#### Ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals, where Arrigo's Opinions were Adduced

See *U.S. v Mirando*: No., 17-50386; D.C. No. 2:16-cr-00215-PA-1 before Gould and Nguyen, Circuit Judges, and Marbley, U.S. District Judge, Southern District of Ohio, <sup>23</sup> U.S. Court of Appeals Ninth Circuit partially **VACATED** and **REMANDED** sentencing; the Court made its decision, in part, after considering Arrigo's opinions in Defendant-Appellant brief 4/9/19.

Decision by the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals (OMHA) Before U.S. Administrative Law Judge where Arrigo's Opinions were Adduced

**FULLY FAVORABLE** decision. See *Appellant Dr. Eric Justin Brahin OMHA Appeal No. 3-10749034046* before Robert S. Fisher, U.S. Administrative Law Judge. Judge Fisher stated,

"After considering the evidence and arguments presented in the record and at the hearing, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) enters a **FULLY FAVORABLE** decision in the appeal regarding ambulatory video electroencephalographic (EEG) monitoring (95951), on multiple dates of service," based in part on "...Michael Arrigo offered sworn testimony on behalf of the appellant." 12/6/22.

#### Federal Rulings Regarding Motions to Exclude Expert Arrigo, Stipulations

- 1. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ex rel. Alex Permenter, Chris Wheeler, and Eric Rodighiero, Plaintiffs/Relators v. eClinicalWorks, LLC. UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA, MACON DIVISION. Case No. 5:18-CV-382. On June 4, 2025 U.S. District Judge Marc T. Treadwell DENIED Defendant's motion to exclude the opinions of Relator's Expert Michael Arrigo. Expert scope: Electronic Health Record certification standards, with focus on the privacy and security E.H.R. Certification Standards as set forth in 42 CNR 170.313 = ONC (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the National Coordinator / Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy [ASTP]) certification criteria:
  - §170.315 (d)(1) Authentication, access control, authorization
  - § 170.315 (d)(2) Auditable Events and Tamper-Resistance
  - § 170.315 (d)(3) Audit Reports
  - § 170.315 (d)(4) Amendment
  - § 170.315 (d)(5) Automatic Access Timeout
  - § 170.315 (d)(6) Emergency Access

- \$170.315 (d)(7) End-user Device Encryption \$170.315 (d)(8) Integrity
  - § 170.315 (d)(9)(ii) Trusted Connection when transporting ePHI
- § 170.315 (d)(11) Accounting of Disclosures
- § 170.315 (d)(12) Encrypt Authentication Credentials
- 2. Motion by the government procecutor for more information **DENIED** *UNITED STATES of AMERICA v Perez* Court Docket No. 3:20-cr-86 (M.D. Florida) (retained by counsel for criminal defendants S. Porter and J. Porter) in June 2022, U.S. District Judge Timothy J. Corrigan denied a motion from the prosecution for more information about Arrigo's expert report, stating that the report met the requirements under Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule 16.<sup>24</sup>
- Motion to exclude DENIED <sup>25, 26</sup> UNITED STATES of AMERICA and STATE OF
   CALIFORNIA ex rel. Julie A. Macias v. PACIFIC HEALTH CORPORATION CV 12—
   00960–RSWL–AJWx. See Westlaw 2018 WL 1026361. (Retained by Relator) Senior U.S.
   District Judge Ronald S.W. Lew of THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT

- OF CALIFORNIA: "...Mr. Arrigo is a damages expert..." "...Mr. Arrigo clearly has the relevant qualifications necessary ..." noted Arrigo's expertise in medical coding, billing, electronic health records, and Medicare fraud damages. "...Accordingly, the Court finds that Mr. Arrigo has sufficient specialized knowledge to provide an opinion..." re: illegal kickbacks, 550-bed hospital system billing, physician billing compensation, skilled nursing, subacute care, psychiatric care, ambulance, Medicaid, Medicare fraud. Feb. 2018
- 4. Motion to exclude DENIED UNITED STATES of AMERICA v. Clifford Shoemake et al. CRIMINAL CASE NO. 16-00002. Order from the bench. Chief District Judge Frances Marie Tydingco-Gatewood of the U.S. DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM April 2018. Denied motion to exclude regarding expert opinions assessing and rebutting the prosecution's applications of methods, statistically invalid sample sizes, improper extrapolation, consistency in applying regulatory guidance, clinical documentation, medical diagnosis codes, procedure codes, application of criteria to Medicare coverage policies (i.e., Medicare Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)), identification of duplicated or missing data in alleged \$30 million Wedicare fraud case. When Defendant's opposition prevailed, the Government withdrew its Dalbott challenge.
- 5. Parties STIPULATED that Arrigo is an expert \* Thomas Hammock v. Snoqualmie Casino Civil Action No. SNO-CIV-2019-0918 Randy Doucet, Chief Judge SNOQUALMIE TRIBAL COURT October 23, 2020. Trial testimony. Opinions regarding historical and future medical coding, medical billing, customary and reasonable community charges for emergency ambulance transportation, diagnostic imaging, anesthesia, surgery center facility fees, orthopedic surgeon's fees, hospital inpatient stays, and diagnosis-related groupings (DRGs).
- 6. Motion to exclude DENIED MSPA CLAIMS 1, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, Plaintiff, v. TOWER HILL PRIME INSURANCE COMPANY, a Florida profit corporation, TOWER HILL CLAIMS SERVICE, LLC, a Florida limited liability company Defendants. CASENO.: 1:18-cv-00157. Judge Allen C Winsor of the UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA, GAINESVILLE DIVISION. Motion pertained to class certification. Opinions, generally: educating the Court and the trier of fact regarding the Industry Standard data and processes that are followed by health plans and by the healthcare industry, especially those provided for by the HIPAA Privacy Rule,

the ARRA HITECH Act of 2009 Safeguards, and the HIPAA Standard for Disclosures for Judicial and Administrative Proceedings. Also, the Standards employed in the normal course of business processes concerning electronic data for healthcare claims, payment, and insurance coverage and eligibility. Whether the industry Standard electronic data and processes used by the health insurance industry were adopted for Medicare Secondary Payer Act, Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP<sup>27</sup> Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA) Mandatory Insurer Reporting (MIR) for Non-Group Health Plans (NGHP) who are Responsible Reporting Entities (RREs), <sup>28</sup> Insurance subrogation, and Third-Party Liability (TPL). Whether Defendant is an RRE, implemented the data and process Standard that it is responsible for implementing as an RRE, and performed its duties as an RRE. concerning an exemplar insured. Whether Plaintiff and Defendant also use those descriptionic Standards. Whether Plaintiff's discovery requests for the production of electronic class-wide data are reasonable based on the data that NGHPS must already maintain. Whether based on the testimony of the PMK, Defendant's efforts demonstrated the imprementation of capabilities to meet the Standards, whether based on its implementation, Defendant can assert that it now cannot produce the requested information because it is 'burdensome,' 'irrelevant,' or that it is precluded from doing so because of HIPAA or other privacy standards.

- 7. Motion to exclude **DENIED** Jong D. Thomson v. HMC Group et al. 2:13-CV-03273 U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA (Los Angeles) before U.S. District Judge Dolly M. Gee, December 1, 2015. (Retained by Plaintiff) Opinions regarding Intellectual Property; Copyright (260) and damages in the form of lost revenues to a copyright holder; opinions regarding hospital medical coding and billing, revenue codes, revenue attributable to Operating Rooms over a specified period applicable to the use or unauthorized use of a copyrighted architectural design for an operating room.
- 8. Motion to exclude **DENIED** as to exclusion but granted in part as to the scope of testimony <sup>29</sup> *Graved States v. Ganesh and Belcher* Case No. 16-CR-00211-LHK (retained by Defendant Belcher) U.S. DISTRICT COURT. U.S. District Judge Lucy Koh, October 20, 2017. "...Court denies request to preclude insofar as it would preclude Arrigo from testifying about patterns of Defendant Belcher's billing (including CPT codes), what modifiers are, how they impacted Belcher's billing and reimbursement, and modifier's position in the industry."

## State / Worker's Compensation Court Rulings Regarding Motions to Exclude Expert Arrigo, Stipulations, Admissions as an Expert

- 9. Admitted as an expert in medical billing, medical coding, and Usual Customary and Reasonable (UCR) charges for medical bills in a personal injury case, August 2024. See Nicholas Grotano v. Everport Terminal Services, CASE NO.: 22STCV01944 c/w 22STCV04642 Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles.
  - a. Testimony regarding usual customary and reasonable (UCR) charges for the Plaint ff's medical bills in the community
  - b. Testimony regarding what Medicare paid or customarily does pay (Medicare insured the Plaintiff, and Medicare actually paid some of the Plaintiff's medical bills, therefore the Court allowed this testimony)
- 10. Motion in Limine to exclude testimony DENIED. Grady Dillon v los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Case No. 19STCV14977, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles. Judge Graciela L Freixes, Feyruary 23, 2024 (order from the bench).
  - a. Opposing counsel sought to exclude based on Arrigo's expert testimony that it was speculative because he would not opine on whether liens would be negotiated. Instead, he would only opine on the Usual Customary and Reasonable charges.
  - b. In the opposition, retaining coursel stated, "As the Supreme Court noted in *Sargon Enterprises, Inc. v. University of Southern California* (2012) 55 Cal.4th 747, "the trial court acts as a gatekeeper to exclude expert opinion testimony that is (1) based on matter of a type on which an expert may not reasonably rely, (2) based on reasons unsupported by the material on which the expert relies, or (3) speculative." *Sargon, supra*, at pp. 771–772; see §§ 801 subd. (b), 802. "[T]he gatekeeper's focus 'must be solely on principles and methodology, not on the conclusions that they generate.' " *Id.* Nor should the court determine the persuasiveness of an expert's opinion, weigh the opinion's probative value, substitute its own opinion for the expert's opinion, or resolve scientific controversies. *Id.* Rather, the goal "is simply to exclude 'clearly invalid and unreliable' expert opinion." *Id.* Plaintiff has failed to demonstrate how Arrigo's testimony is clearly invalid and unreliable.

Arrigo was retained to review historical medical charges for treatment that Plaintiff received and provide an opinion as to the reasonableness of the charges contained in those bills. The fact that Arrigo does not know if the Plaintiff's medical providers will settle for less has absolutely zero relevance to Arrigo's opinions as a medical billing expert in this case. Arrigo unequivocally testified that this was the scope of his opinion. Plaintiff has not supplied any legal authority or analysis as to how and why Arrigo's testimony should be excluded. Therefore, this motion to exclude should be denied." The court agreed, disagreeing that Arrigo's opinions were not speculative.

- 11. Motion in Limine to preclude testimony and opinions of Arrigo **DENIED** subject to voir dire at trial. At trial, the Court admitted Arrigo as an expert in physician compensation See Frank Giordano v Georgia De Toledo, Case no: FST-CV-18-6639 57-S, Surerior Court, J.D. of Stamford / Norwalk at Stamford, Connecticut, 6/26/2023.
  - a. Testimony regarding damages in the form of lest income for an interventional cardiologist who routinely performs various approaches of transcatheter aortic valve replacements (TAVR, e.g., CPT codes 33361, 33362, 33363, 33364, 33365, 33366, 33367, 33368, 33369)
  - b. Utilization of Industry-Standard methods (e.g., Fair Market Value (FMV) of physician compensation using a comparison of physician productivity using work RVUs (wRVUs)). Medical Group Management Association (MGMA) industry benchmarking for similarly situated physicians by productivity, medical specialty, geography, number of years practicing medicine, on-call time, etc.
  - c. Lost compensation compared to similarly situated physicians in academic medical centers
  - d. National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants,
  - e. faculty tenure and level (e.g., instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor),

- f. income derived from teaching vs. practicing medicine).
- 12. Motion to exclude **DENIED** in a personal injury case See KAITLYNN DERANI v. E.A., a minor child by and through JAMES TIMOTHY ALBI Colorado Case Number: 2021CV30, District Court, Douglas County, Colorado. In a recent case in Colorado, the plaintiffs sought to exclude my testimony by alleging that I used insurance as a collateral source as the basis for my opinions in a personal injury case. I did NOT. The Court denied the motion to exclude my testimony. September 26, 2022, ruling of Jeffrey K. Holmes, District Court Judge
- 13. Parties STIPULATED that Arrigo is an expert Alikai Health, LLC v. Traviler), WCAIS No. 8304084 MF-590085 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION, September 2020. Affirmed an expert by William Level, a former Workers' Compensation Judge and Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist as authorized by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Opinions see Medicale payment mechanisms, National Coverage Determinations and LCDs for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (POS), usual customary and reasonable charges under workers' compensation in all 50 states, Federal Worker's Compensation, private payors.
- 14. Motion to exclude **PENED** <sup>30</sup> Allure Nichols v. Eskaton, Inc., et al., CASE NO.:

  CVPO-2017-916 California Superior Court. Judge Peter M. Williams. March 28, 2019.

  (Retained by Plaintiff). Defendants argued that a capitated Medicare Part C plan paid for Plaintiff's medical care, and regardless of the services provided, there was, in effect, no payment made for Plaintiff's hospital care. The Court ruled that the reasonable value of the medical services is at issue not the amount incurred—must be used instead. Judge Williams states, "This value is generally determined by expert testimony."
- 15. Motion to exclude **DENIED** <sup>31</sup> *Thomas McGuigan v. Source One*, et al., Docket MER-L-2096-16 Superior Court of New Jersey, County of Mercer. (retained by Defendant)

- "Plaintiff's request to bar defendant's expert report of December 21, 2018, is Denied."

  "Arrigo's December 21, 2018 report is NOT barred as a net opinion, and Arrigo is able to testify as an expert witness at trial. This is subject to a proper foundation and proper presentation in the judgment of the trial judge." Opinions pertaining to damages, rebuttal to Plaintiff's expert opinions, and methodological deficiencies, including error rates, sample sizes, and improper extrapolation.
- 16. Motion to exclude DENIED Higgs v. Plum Healthcare et al. Case No. 34-2015-00186569-CU-PO-GDS SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO (retained by Defendant) Hon Richard K. Suevoshi denied a motion to exclude Arrigo. Order from the bench. Opinions regarding electronic health record forensic audit (Matrix Care and NetSmart) observation of opposing experts, Whether Minimum Data Set 3.0 (MDS 3.0), and Resource Utilization Groups (RUGs) form a standard in the State of California for staffing levels, (e.g. case mix hours, expected hours) for patient care, or, rather, only for repubursement, e.g., Medicaid (Medi-Cal) payment of Skilled Nursing Facilities based on per diem rates.
- 17. Motion to exclude **DENIED** <sup>32</sup> *Marina Ascarate* 1. *College Hospital Costa Mesa*; JAMS Ref. No. 1220059632, Hon. Rex Reeseman (Ret.) (ret. by Plaintiff) motion to preclude testimony denied, October 10, 2019; Arrigo opinions regarding HIPAA admissible: 1. privacy and security policies and procedures did not meet industry standards, 2. sanction policies for its employees who commit a breach did not meet industry standards, 3. required four-factor risk assessment required by the HIPAA Omnibus Rule of 2013 to determine whether an alleged breach of HIPAA was in fact a breach, 4. assessment of what harm was caused to the alleged impacted patient, 5. policies regarding patients with an infectious disease did not meet public health authority standards.

### Arbitration Rulings Re: Motions to Exclude Expert, Stipulations as Expert

18. ASM Medical Ventures v. Dr. Trinh. AAA Case, California. Counsel for Defendant motioned to exclude Arrigo as an expert in corporate governance concerning disclosures of Related Party Transactions and the importance of the accuracy of financial statements for healthcare companies.<sup>33</sup> Based on Arrigo's prior experience leading a Sarbanes Oxley internal audit of a Fortune 100 public company, his familiarity with Public Company

Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) guidance, and his current service as a member of the Board of Directors of a public company where he serves on the Audit Committee and as chair of the Compensation Committee, and is qualified as a financial expert as defined in Item 407(d)(5) of Regulation S-K promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). the motion to exclude Arrigo was **DENIED** by the arbitrator. August 18, 2023.

- 19. Ramapo Anesthesiologists v. Origin Healthcare. AAA Case, New Jersey. Counsel for Defendant submitted Arrigo as an expert without objection by Plaintiff; the arbitrator admitted Arrigo as an expert to provide testimony on May 19, 2023.
- 20. Hughes v. Ancestry et al. Motion to exclude **DENIED**. AAA Case 01-21-0004-8999 Brad I. Pearson, Arbitrator, 8/31/22, Kansas City, MO. (retained by Plaintin). Opinions regarding FTC privacy rules about personal health records (PHRs), HIPAA privacy and security rules, Business Associates, identifiers in protected health information (PHI) hybrid-entities, and consent requirements for research required notice before sharing information without consent, including compound authorizations, de-identification standards, and limited data sets for research, whether DNA is biometric information. Whether Centimorgans<sup>34</sup> are part of industry standards for determining the risk of reidentification. Whether a privacy policy that tells users that DNA is not personal information is deceitful. Whether privacy policies and procedures of Defendant met Standards.
- 21. Parties STIPULATED and Arrigo is an expert San Francisco Spine Surgeons v. Claim Works, LLC. JAMS No. 1110018697 9/17/2017, Transcript Volume III. (retained by Defendant Claim Works) Arbitrator / Judge Ambler stated that parties stipulate that Arrigo is an expert in medical coding, medical billing, and damages calculations. Case entailed, in part, or hopedic billing, pain management injections, assessment of data quality by the plaintiff to support assertions in their complaint, and industry-standard roles and responsibilities of providers, coders, and billing entities when not specifically provided for by the contractual agreement.
- 22. Motion to exclude **DENIED** *Lobin v. J.B. Hunt Transport* AAA 01-16-0000-0480 Order No. 4, Arbitrator / Judge William E. Hartsfield, 7/18/17 Dallas, TX. (retained by

Defendant) Opinions included Usual Customary and Reasonable (UCR) charges for care before considering insurance (collateral source) and, alternatively, assuming a Plaintiff's duty to mitigate medical costs, what an insured's benefits under state Medicaid and Affordable Care Act 'metal' plans provide, Federal Poverty Level (FPL) guidelines on insurance eligibility, out of pocket maximum (OOPM) costs to an insured.

#### U.S. Court of Appeals Ruling Where Expert's Opinions Were Adduced

In UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff-Appellee, v. MICHAEL MIRANDO, Defendant-Appellant, the Government's intended loss standard resulted in an increase in the level of sentencing guidelines from six to thirty. As a result, at the sentencing hearing, the lower court initially imposed a 97-month sentence, which was appealed.

Retained by Defendant to review Presentence Investigation Report under U.S. Sentencing Guidelines 26 (USSG) §2B1.1, evaluated using U.S. Sentencing Commission (USSC) methods, specialized knowledge, training, education, and experience. Prepared a rebuttal report in response to the methods: sample size, lack of comprehensive clinical documentation review, and 'intended loss' vs. 'actual loss' used by the Covernment.

My opinions were adduced as part of the Appellant's Opening Brief by James W. Spertus (CA SBN 159825), Attorney for the Defendant-Appellant, filed on April 4, 2018. As a result, the U.S. Court of Appeals "...VACATED AND REMANDED..." sentencing of the Defendant.

In the opinion of the honorable Chedit Judges Gould, Nguyen, and Marbley, filed April 9, 2019, No. 17-50386, D.C. No. 2:16-cr-00215-PA-1:

- "As part of its calculation of [Defendant-Appellant] Mirando's sentence in accordance
  with the Statencing Guidelines, the district court made a finding of the 'intended loss'
  amount from the fraud. Mirando argues that this was calculated incorrectly. We agree."
- "In cases of health care fraud, courts must determine the loss amount, which is 'a specific offense characteristic that increases the defendant's offense level pursuant to the Guidelines." Popov, 742. F3d at 914. "To calculate the loss amount, *Popov* established that the 'amount billed to the insurer" is "prima facie evidence of an intended loss for sentencing purposes," but this is a rebuttable presumption...."

• The Court of Appeals observed that in the original trial, the lower court concluded that "...the intended loss enhancements increase Guidelines offense level from six to thirty..." "The Government offered prima facie evidence, but at sentencing, Mirando, per *Popov*, tried to rebut the presumption. He testified that he knew he would never receive full reimbursement of the amount billed." "...The district court abused its discretion when it concluded that the Government's evidence met this 'clear and convincing' standard.

#### Rulings, Orders Re: Arrigo Opinions in Class Certifications

To date, Arrigo provided testimony in support of Class Certification in four Federal cases.

One Federal Judge has certified a de novo subclass, noting Arrigo's opinions in his Ruling.

• CERTIFIED - Jenee Hill v. United Healthcare Insurance Company CASE NO.: SACV15-00526 DOC (RNBx). U.S. District Judge David O. Carter certified the de novo subclass and found that Defendant failed to explain why the exercise of producing industry-standard data was burdensome and complicated and that Berendant failed to properly cooperate with discovery (See the Order RE Renewed Motion for Class Certification [76] filed 3-21-17, noting Arrigo opinions). Arrigo's deinions focused in part on health plan Industry Standards, customary guidelines followed by health plans in the normal course of business processes (receiving a healthcare claim, adjudicating a claim [pay, pend, or deny], application of medical policies and coverage determinations], information technology with respect to producing electronic dam data based on these Standards, storage, retrieval, and reporting.

## Rulings – Motion for Summary Judgement where Arrigo Opinions were Considered

A California State judge denied Defendant's motion for summary judgment where counsel retained me for the Plaintiff in a California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act (CMIA) and HIPAA Privacy Breach Case. See J.K., KIRSTY KEILEN MATTHEW KEILEN v LAURA LEE KAISER; PETER HANS KAISER; JOHN MUIR HEALTH, Case No.: MSC19-00213, SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR

THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA. ORDER AFTER HEARING ON MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION FILED BY DEFENDANT JOHN MUIR HEALTH. My testimony, in part, discussed the Defendants did not meet the applicable standards for the safekeeping of medical information. I stated that technologies were commercially available and widely used by other hospitals from JMH's electronic health records vendor, Epic, before the breach in this case, which would have prevented or limited OSURE Nurse Kaiser's conduct. For example, Epic's privacy tool, "Break the Glass" has been available since 2014.

#### Rulings Re Arrigo Opinions - Trade Secret, Patent Infringement

Served as expert in support of a motion to dismiss a case involving, in part, alleged infringement of Trade Secrets. Below is a summary of the case and Arrigo's scope:

DISMISSED with PREJUDICE – Consortia Health Clinical Continence Services, LLC v. Shardae Exposito Pena and Cathex Solutions, M.C. CASE NO: 17-004471 CA 27. CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11 NDICIAL CIRCUIT, MIAMI-DADE, FLORIDA. 12/20/18. Retained by Defendant, assisted counsel in identifying weaknesses in Plaintiff's claims. Scope of work included prior art regarding protocols incorporating biofeedback, protocols for the diagnosis and treatment of medical conditions, opinions regarding the novelty, usefulness, and top-obviousness of groupings of diagnosis codes and medical procedure codes in superbills, viability of breach of non-compete based in part on nonobviousness of customer concentration in the market, Federal and Florida State Standards (see Florida's version of the Uniform Trade Secrets Act - "FUTSA") regarding trade secrets and a subsequent decision to determine whether or not to convert the trade secret asset into a patent asset, and **Damages calculations**. Applied FUTSA and Federal standards to the case, specifically:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Medical coding and billing related patent infringement litigation: *Prometheus v. Mayo*, where court denied Prometheus claim in favor of Mayo because it could not uphold claims to law of nature

- Under FUTSA, protected information can take many forms and can be contained in a "program," a "device," a "method," a "technique," or "process.<sup>2</sup> Florida Standard two-part test for trade secrets: the information sought to be protected must gain economic value from not being known by the public, and reasonable efforts must be made to maintain its secrecy.<sup>3</sup>
- Whatever form the information takes, however, the claimant must be prepared to specifically *identify* the information in question to the court (and opposing parties) to allow them to evaluate the claim and engage in the dispute.<sup>4</sup>
- The traditional approach is based on the NUN factors: (novelty, usefulness, nonobviousness).
- If the trade secret asset meets the patentability requirements, the decision tree often dictates that the owner seek patent protection because a patent will provide greater protection.
- While this was a State case, I applied Generally Accepted Standards to the analysis. See
   CV SUPPLEMENT 18 Patent Statutes, Sub Parts, Rules, Case Law, Scope of Work as
   Technical and Damages Expert (1 of 4), page N

#### **Certifications**

1. Certified Professional Medical Audito (CPMA) training; 3/20 to 5/20, 16.25 hours. 35



- 2. Medicare Fraud Waste and Abuse 9013
- 3. Certification: HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules, Calif. Confidentiality of Medical Information (CMIA), Patent Access to Health Records Act (PAHRA), Insurance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 688.002(4) initially defines a "trade secret" to be "information," and then specifically provides that the information can take the form of a "program, device, method, technique, or process...".

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Id

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, e.g., Virginia Electronics and Lighting Corp. v. Koester, 714 So. 2d 1164, 1164 (Fla. 1st DCA 1998), finding a trial order deficient for failing to "specify" exactly what trade secrets were found to exist, and failing to set out express findings of fact supporting its conclusion that the disclosure of the "secret" was "reasonably necessary to resolve the issue in dispute.") *See also* Lovell Farms, Inc. v. Levy, 641 So. 2d 103, 105 (Fla. 3rd DCA 1994).

Information, Privacy Protection (IIPPA), Collection of Medical Information for Direct Marketing, Shine the light, 10/21/19 <sup>37</sup>

- 4. HEDIS Star Ratings, Risk Adjustment 11/19 38
- 5. Managing Ambulatory Surgical Ctr. Staff, 3/20<sup>39</sup>
- 6. Certification: Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goals, 5/18/21 40
- 7. Certification: Ambulance Documentation Specialist, 5/18 41

- Industry Awards and Recognition

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#### **Selected Quotations**

(2023) Kaiser Health <a href="https://kffhealthnews.org/news/article/new-york-bariatric-surgery-provider-patient-lawsuits-medical-debt/">https://kffhealthnews.org/news/article/new-york-bariatric-surgery-provider-patient-lawsuits-medical-debt/</a> Opinions regarding the usual customary and reasonable charges, coinsurance, co-pay, deductible, debt-collection practices, out-of-network payment agreements, for medical billing in cases involving bariatric surgery.

(2023) **ABC News 15 Television, Arizona**." DOJ: Scottsdale Physicians Group may have 'upcoded' and 'improperly admitted' patients." Interviewed regarding Medicare billing traud. <a href="https://www.abc15.com/news/local-news/investigations/doj-scottsdale-physicians-goop-may-have-upcoded-and-improperly-admitted-patients">https://www.abc15.com/news/local-news/investigations/doj-scottsdale-physicians-goop-may-have-upcoded-and-improperly-admitted-patients</a>

(2022) **Forbes Advisor** <a href="https://www.forbes.com/advisor/health-insurantse/what-is-cobrainsurance/">https://www.forbes.com/advisor/health-insurantse/what-is-cobrainsurance/</a> Quoted regarding COBRA eligibility, thresholds requirements for employers as to COBRA coverage levels.

(2022) **Tech News World** <a href="https://www.techrewsworld.com/story/google-cloud-introduces-new-ai-powered-medical-imaging-suite-W7173.html/Contacted by a journalist to provide opinions regarding Google's New Artificial Intelligence-based Medical Imaging suite, the efficacy of the promised capabilities for various diagnostic imaging modalities such as CT Scan, MRI, etc. and by medical specialty, and the requirement of well-structured data to ensure the reliability of artificial intelligence based image recognition.

(2022) **Part B News.** (the afficle is only available behind a paywall for subscribers). "After Meta pixel HIPAA gaffe, check your online business associate agreements." Quoted regarding Meta / Kacebook practice of using "Meta pixel" that would, without the patients knowledge, make "an intimate receipt of the appointment request for Facebook."

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- Presentation to Assistant U.S. Attorney, FBI, and OIG in Cincinnati, Ohlo (March 2018) regarding Meaningful Use of Electronic Health Records, demonstration of electronic health records and patient data including diagnosis codes, medical procedure codes, computerized provider order entry, drug-drug interactions, clinical decision support, physician progress notes in compliance with 45 CFR 170.304 (E.H.R. software certifications, physician and hospital attestations), and certifications and second standard §170.314.
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- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (2015, January) JP Morgan Healthcare Conference, re: economic shifts due to changing medical coding and billing standards. San Francisco, California.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) and Hartley (2. (2014) BIRAA Plain and Simple/HIPAA for Behavioral Health Credible Behavioral Health E.H.R. Software Users Conference, Baltimore Maryland (18 March 2014) regarding (2014) CFR Part 2 privacy in behavioral health patient records, data segmentation requirements of The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Agency (SAMHSA) and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), which provides resources for Kederally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs). HITECH Act Information Safeguards, HIPAA Privacy Rule, and HIPAA Security Rule, implementation of risk assessments by Covered Entities. HIPAA Omnibus Rule Overview, National Public Rule Making (NPRM) about privacy rights, and duties of Business Associates.
- Arrigo, M.F. (2014) Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Disorders (DSM 5) and the International Classification of Diseases, version 10 (ICD-10) concerning changing medical coding and billing standards. Discussion of changes in number and use of diagnosis codes for anxiety disorders, autism spectrum disorders, mood-related disorders, schizophrenia, and drug abuse. Challenges in obtaining data; value in the objectivity of the data. CMS guidance

- regarding DSM IV vs. HIPAA Standard Transactions Credible Behavioral Health E.H.R. Software Users Conference, Baltimore, Maryland (18 March 2014).
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (2014) Managed Care and Accountable Care for Behavioral Health. Risk adjustment and capitated payments and the intersection with Behavioral Health. Discuss populations who fit into ACOs who: (1) have a high-risk score under CMS' HCC risk adjustment model; (2) are considered high-cost due to having two or more hospitalizations each year; (3) are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid; National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) criteria §1115 (Statewide) Medicaid waiver using three separate ACO models. Seven more States were in the process of setting up there own Medicaid ACO programs, eligibility, and coverage determinations<sup>5</sup> Credible Behavioral Health E.H.R. Software Users Conference, Baltimore, Maryland (18 March 2014).
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker), re: medical coding and billing webcast. HIMSS 2014 Onlando, FL.
- Arrigo, M. and Nichols J. MD (Speakers) (2013, November). Claims Data, Clinical Data
   — Working Together to Improve Clinical Documentation, for International Classification of
   Diseases from the World Health Organization (ICD 10). Discuss healthcare data analytics
   methods, inpatient and outpatient procedure coding, comparison of record audit methods, and
   physician engagement strategies and audit results. Workgroup for Electronic Data
   Interchange (WEDI) National Conference, Washington D.C.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) Duke Life Health System (2013), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Physician engagement for accuracy of medical coding Ising clinical concepts, and clinical documentation improvement for ICD-10.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (2013, April 2). The Perfect Storm in Healthcare How Disruptive Regulations and Technologies Create Risks and Opportunities for Medical Coding and Revenue Cycle Management. Affordable Care Act, ICD-10, CORE Operating Rules, HITECH Act Security and Meaningful Use, Best Practices Health IT, process improvement.
   Scripps Healthcare Summit 2013. Lecture conducted from La Jolla, San Diego, California.
- Arrigo (Speaker) (2012, April 14). The Perfect Storm in Healthcare How Disruptive Regulations and Technologies Create Risks and Opportunities for Medical Coding and Revenue Cycle Management. Affordable Care Act, ICD-10, CORE Operating Rules, and HITECH Act. American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) National Conference.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Lead training for pharmacists, hospitals, physicians, health IT value-based care firms

- Lecture conducted from Las Vegas, NV. http://news.aapc.com/icd-10-monitor-wish-i-were-in-las-vegas/
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA), re: medical coding and billing. 2013, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (2012, June 14). ICD-10: Impact on Payment Reform. Wisconsin
   Medical Society. Lecture conducted from Madison, Wisconsin. http://bit.ly/16acIDy
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (2012, May). How ICD-10 and Payment Reform Will Change the Radiology Revenue Cycle. Radiology Business Management Association (RBMA), Orlands Florida.
   Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (1994 1995). Impact of the Internet on medical and financia.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (1994 1995). Impact of the Internet on medical and financial businesses, Loyola University, Los Angeles, California.
- Arrigo, M. (Speaker) (1994 1995). Impact of the Internet on medical and financial businesses, University of California, Irvine, California.

#### **Professional Affiliations**

- Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA), January 2003 to 2007
- Medical Group Management Association (MGMA), 2009
- Health Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS) 2009
- American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) 2013
- American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) 2013
- Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) 2009 2012
- Association for Clinical Documentation Improvement Specialists (ACDIS) 2017
- California Ambulatory Surgery Association (CASA), March 2019
- American Academy of Pain Medicine (AAPM), May 2018
- American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP), June 2016
- National Alliance of Medical Auditing Specialists (NAMAS) (February 2018)
- American Society of Radiologic Technologists (October 2019)
- American Association of Nurse Assessment Coordination (AANAC), (December 2019)
- Contributor: Strategic Financial Management Newsletter, Healthcare Financial Management Association;

- Former contributor: Healthcare IT News, GovHealth IT, Mobile Health, Financial Health News
- Volunteer: Children's Hospital Medical innovation committee

#### **Additional Course Work and Experience**

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office roundtables focus on healthcare / medical: PTAB seminars re: Prior Art Access, Non-appealable issues / Petition able Matters in Exparte Appeals, Preparation of IPR petition, infringement and invalidity report as provided in §42.65 Expert testimony; tests and data.
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology,** Cambridge, MA business applications of blockchain technology. Specialized interest and communication with faculty and students regarding shared ledgers and cryptography for electronic healthcare using blockchain.<sup>47</sup>
- American Society for Clinical Pathology Recognizing Specimen Interferences in the Clinical Laboratory 9/19/21
- American Society for Clinical Pathology Medical coding for lab, clinical pathology <sup>48</sup> 9/19/21
- Clinical documentation, medical coding, billing reimbursement, HIPAA transactions, value based care, and risk adjustment (see attachment 11 in this CV re: medical coding).
- Villanova University Lean Six Sigma and Process Improvement (2007)
- Wharton School, University M Pennsylvania Leadership Strategies (1982)
- Ongoing management of team of physicians, healthcare IT experts, regulatory and policy experts formerly with eMS, and AAPC, AHIMA certified coders in our engagements with insurance, hospital, physician and other payors, providers, and IT companies, and electronic health record, patient safety and document authenticity advisories based on HIPAA, HITECH Act, and Joint Commission standards. Regular speaker and attendee at conferences, roundtables, and webinars on healthcare industry regulations, data, and economic issues. \*

  See 18 addendums to this CV for specifics.
- Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist (CADS) National Academy of Ambulance Compliance, May 2018; trained in medical coding and billing.

- **HIPAA Business Associates,** Privacy and Security and EDI transactions, certified in HIPAA; June 2017, re-certification & training October 2019
- HIPAA for Healthcare Workers June 2017, re-certification & training October 2019
- State Privacy Standards including California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act
  (CMIA), Patient Access to Health Records Act (PAHRA), Insurance Information and Privacy
  Protection Act (IIPPA), Collection of Medical Information for Direct Marketing, and Shine
  the light Certification, May 2019
- Medical coding and billing, course work in compliance officer curriculum (see addenda).
- National Patient Safety Goals, 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and Universal Protocol for Preventing Wrong Site, Wrong Procedure, and Wrong Person Surgery, October 2019; updated 202

#### Programming languages education and knowledge

Structured Query Language (SQL), data quality Standards (normalization, Extract Transform Load or 'ETL'), database tools and statistical data models for economics and damages calculations. Prior work with Dr. Moshe Zloof, formerly of IBM Research labs and inventor of database query method(s) Query Be Example (QBE). Computer science education included use of symbolic, compiled, and interpreted procedure and object-oriented systems LISP, Fortran, Smalltalk virtual machines, PHP, Java, Ruby, and CSS/HTML/responsive web technology for mobile health as well as content optimization for Google Search Engine Optimization interactive debuggers, compilers, Basic, Pascal software development.

#### **Selected Legal Experience**

(See Separate Document for List Case Testimony. The list below is not comprehensive)

- 1. Three retentions by the **U.S. Department of Justice**:
  - Federal investigation into medical data, Health IT/E.H.R. stimulus funds, and False Claims Act (\$155 million settlement). See United States ex rel. Delaney v. eClinia Works LLC, 2:15-CV-00095-WKS (D. Vt.)
  - ii. Evaluation and management (E&M) coding and correlating diagnosis codes as to whether the patient condition met the AMA coding guidelines for medically necessary care; damages and loss calculations exceeding \$40 million for large multi-site clinic providers.
  - iii. Excessive billing practices of hospital re: inpatient stay of trauma patient

- 2. There were three retentions in class actions regarding privacy and security breaches (over 30 million impacted patients/individuals), in plaintiff and defendant retentions and individual breach cases.
- 3. Four retentions in class actions regarding bad-faith insurance litigation, and failure to report Medicare insured data to CMS under the MMSEA Section 111 Standards for Required Reporting Entities (RREs) of the Medicare Secondary Payer Act (MSPA).
- 4. Three retentions involving toxicology and pathology billing and genetic testing; accuracy of records under the CLIA Standard.
- 5. Retained by the defendant in alleged **trade secret and intellectual property disputes** regarding whether certain healthcare and medical processes, electronic solutions, diagnosis codes, and procedure codes were unique, protected, and not commonly known in the industry. Work with defense counsel on discovery, prior art, and education to the Court resulted in the dismissal of the case.
  - a. **Plaintiff, Defendant, and Relator retentions** cases involving the False Claims Act and Medicare fraud; retained in cases involving over \$80 million in fraud damages. Liability and damages expert and rebuttal expert in various phases of criminal and civil cases.
  - b. Rebuttal expert to life care plans. Testimeny regarding benefits provided under the Affordable Care Act, Americans with Disabilities Act, Health and Welfare Plans, Medicare, State Medicaid, Medicaid expansion via Federal Poverty Level (FPL) calculations, household income, members in household, Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) SSDI and other factors.
  - c. Served as expert consultant on seven patent licensing, patent litigation, and intellectual property infringement matters (five in healthcare, two in enterprise software and security).
  - d. Retained by former RAND Economists and Health IT firm for testimony before

    Federal Trade Commission involving anti-trust and access to clinical data, which
    impacted billing and revenue cycle.
  - e. Retained in five **white-collar crime cases**, alleged fraud valued at over \$10 million each; loss calculations and/or damages based on intended and actual loss.
  - f. Audits of medical coding trends, clinical documentation, coding intensity, correlation of coding, and medical decision complexity to medical diagnosis codes; use of natural language processing, encoders, computer assisted coding and medical

- concepts integrated with electronic health records for closing gaps in coding; use of best practices SQL database analytics and data quality assessments.
- g. Federal, State, written testimony in expert reports, depositions, and court appearances re: ACA, HIPAA, medical coding and billing, usual customary and reasonable cost of care, Medicaid Expansion, Medicaid waivers for disabled insureds, respite care, attendant care, home health charges and benefits (HHRGs, RAPs, LUPA, levels of clinical and other severity, OASIS assessments), SSI, SSDI, Qualified Income Trusts (QITs), and ACA Qualified Health Plans, ERISA/Taft-Hartley Trusts, subsidies, rates, and actuarial value.
- h. Engaged by plaintiffs, class action attorneys, relators, defendants with experience across payors (including Medicare, Medicaid, social security, workers' compensation, private insurance/health plans, ERISA/Taft-Hartley plans), providers (including hospital systems, physician groups, FQHCs, ASCs, IDTFs), patients and healthcare IT (see Attachments for experience in various medical specialties).
- Fraud data and documentation evaluations, including physical therapy, orthopedics, ambulance transportation records review and eligibility for dialysis, and dialysis charges.
- j. A user of eDiscovery tools such as *Relativity* and *Concordance* for document discovery work, structured methods, and data normalization using SQL Server and Extract, Transform, and Doad (ETL)) o review large case files with over 50,000 pages in complex litigation.

#### Non-Litigation Consulting in Mealthcare, Software, and Financial Services

<u>2007 to Present</u> - **No World Borders** – I lead a healthcare data, regulatory, and economic consulting firm as Managing Partner. Our business provides advisory services on disruptive healthcare regulations for hospitals, insurance companies, self-insured employers, health IT companies, and investors.

<u>May 2022 to Present</u> – MSP Recovery / Life Wallet - Member of the Board of Directors, member of the audit committee, member of two special committees, and chair of the compensation committee for MSP Recovery, a leading healthcare data analytics and Medicare Secondary Payer Act (MSPA) recovery company whose stock is publicly traded.

#### **Summary of Accomplishments and Experience**

I work with hospital systems, physician groups, health IT companies, health plans, investors, and law firms. I was selected as an expert for a landmark Federal Trade Commission case regarding healthcare data, regulations, and economics. I currently serve as the managing partner of No World Borders. I am:

- A writer and speaker quoted in the Wall Street Journal and a regular speaker with published works as an expert in the field.
- Prepared by a leading litigation firm in Rule 702, including applying scientific or specialized knowledge of Federal rules (702(a)); facts (702(b)); application of principles and methods (702(c)); application of criteria, principles, methodology, and test methods (amended in *Daubert*, 2000 (702(d)) before FTC Commissioner.
- An advisor to value-based care companies, including Medicare Advantage and Medicare Shared Savings Accountable Care Organizations.
- Led investor diligence on over \$8 billion in healthcare merger and acquisition transactions.
- Trained in clinician, coder, medical billing, etaims, E.H.R., hospital and practice management software, and regulatory, usual, customary, and reasonable (UCR) medical and prescription charges. Application of Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS), Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS), and Medicare Physician Fee Schedules (MPFS) Part A, Part B, Physician Fee Schedules, U.S. standard wage indices, geographic adjustment factors (GAFs), market charges comparisons (where no collateral source rule is at issue), and market reimbursement by health, auto, and liability payors.
- Opinions on over \$2 bilkon in medical reimbursements for inpatient facilities (inpatient prospective payment system or IPPS and DRGs, ICD-9) and ambulatory (non-facility using CPT codes).

#### Regulatory Consulting - Health Care Providers and Healthcare I.T. Firms

I competed for, won, and led these, among other account engagements where large global firms were also bidding on the business:

- **Duke Life Point Academic Medical Center, Pittsburgh** *ACO, ICD-10, Revenue Cycle Strategy; HCC risk adjustment for Medicare Advantage. Evaluate over \$1 billion in healthcare claims for risk adjustment, audit quality using RADV methods, and clinical documentation coding quality. Evaluate Meaningful Use compliance risk with respect to storage and security of discrete data from medical records, data conversion strategies, and analytics strategies.*
- Advisory to E.H.R., Accountable Care Organizations, practice management IT companies manage a team advising over 100 companies on Meaningful Use, Medicare Advantage, ACA, and ICD-10 regulations. Ambulatory, acute care MU1, MU2, DSM-5, CPT, ICD-9, ICD-10, clinical documentation, HIPAA, Clinical Quality Measures, and OA Civil Code §56.
- Nemours Children's Hospital, Orlando, Florida Meaningful Use of Electronic Health Records, HIPAA transactions for claims processing, and HIPAA secure clinical and physical plant data interoperability strategy of clinical and healthcare claims data using enterprise web services solutions. Sharing of data in emergencies between clinical staff and security to protect pediatric patients.
- Credible, Inc. a leading behavioral health electronic health record software vendor Advised regarding compliance with HIRAA Privacy and Security in general and specific privacy and security rules for the Behavioral Health specialty, International Classification of Diseases version 10 versus Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM 5), Accountable Care Organizations, and Managed Care for Behavioral Health.

#### Regulatory Consulting, High Plan, Self-Insured Employers

I lead a company that competed for, won, and led these among other account engagements where large global firms were also bidding on the business:

• Walmart, Eap five self-funded, self-insured employer globally — Advised regarding ERISA Plans, Taft-Hartley Trusts, Minimum Essential Coverage, HIPAA insurance claims transactions, CORE operating rules regarding real-time eligibility and transaction Standards, coordination with Third-Party Administrator (TPA), Blue Advantage / Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arkansas, ICD-10, and Affordable Care Act, systems and processes topology for eligibility, business and regulatory issues, underlying systems, and process issues for the largest self-insured employer in the world.

- National Home Health Care and Post-Acute Care (SNF) Efficiency and Electronic Records company Advised regarding revenue model, including home health resource groups (HHRGs), costs and technology adoption, regional adjustments, levels of clinical severity and supplies needs for home health and long-term care, Skilled Nursing Facility populations using Resident Assessment Instruments (RAI), Minimum Data Set 3.0, Resource Utilization Groups (RUGs), and Hierarchical Condition Categories (HCCs) to develop a new Skilled Nursing and home health solution that manages labor efficiencies and deployments.
- Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield Rochester, New York. Lead consulting engagement to remediate health plan enrollment process and TriZetto Facets Claims system. Rescue project from off-budget, off-plan, and restore to on-time, on-budget.
- Blue Cross Blue Shield/Triple S (Salud Puerto Rico) Lead implementation of TriZetto QNXT claims system process models, software implementation, and project management office; required bilingual team to perform modeling and implementation
- Preferred Care Florida Medicare Advantage HEDIS 5-Star Ratings, risk adjustment (HCC codes), provider network clinical data, Utilization Management, Coordination of Benefits, Case Management and claims processing, chart review quality audits and analytics, risk adjustment using HCC and ICD-9 coding, RADV audit methods, and RAPS file analytics.
- United Healthcare, Florida Medicare Advantage HEDIS 5-Star Ratings, p risk
  adjustment (HCC codes), provide network clinical data, Utilization Management,
  Coordination of Benefits, Case Management and claims processing using HCC and ICD-9
  coding, RADV audit methods, and RAPS file analytics.
- Public Employees Health Play, Salt Lake City, Utah Advised and assessed re: new
  medical coding and medical policy management remediation to comply with ICD-10, which
  impacts medical policy plan design, actuarial processes, covered amounts, utilization
  management, eligibility, referrals, covered amounts, and other factors.
- Regence RiveCross BlueShield, Seattle, Salt Lake, Portland HITECH Act, HIPAA
  5010, 180-10 processes, DRGs, Ambulatory claims, Ancillary Services, and IT architecture
  to enable these capabilities, which impacts medical policy plan design, actuarial processes,
  covered amounts, utilization management, eligibility, referrals, covered amount calculations.
- TennCare Tennessee Medicaid and TN Insurance Exchange eligibility
- Citra Health Solutions, Jacksonville FL Advisor to CEO. Advised leadership regarding value-based care, HIPAA privacy and security, meaningful use, and strategic partnerships

and acquisitions for Medicare Advantage and Accountable Care market. Focus on valuebased pricing, Medicare Advantage Risk Adjustment using HCCs; population health, patient and physician engagement, and quality reporting.

National Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility — Advised regarding regulatory compliance for EEG telehealth and EKG medical coding and billing, payor reimbursement, fair market value (FMV) of medical directors using MGMA and other industry guidelines, professional fee and technical fee components of medical billing, Medicare Administrative

# Investor Diligence — \$8 billion in Healthcare IT, Clinical, and Crypto asset (PAA) transactions

Selected as advisor regarding investor diligence on large healthcare mergers and adquisitions.

- Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC) pre-acquisition diffgence of blockchain crypto-asset-based storage business.
- Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPA) pre-acquisition diligence of blockchain distributed ledger identity management renture
- Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC) Initial Coin Offering (ICO) business offering review.
- pre cloud security business for healthcare.
- Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Rye's, Silicon Valley work with founding partners of VC that funded Google, Netscape, Amazon, Amgen, Intel, and Sun Microsystems on the largest cloud healthcare in Vestment in Medicare Advantage and Accountable Care population health management and analytics.
- NY PE Firm Liability insurer and compliance with Medicare Medicaid SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA) reporting as provided for in Section 111.
- NY Firm diligence on \$500 million acquisition of Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) electronic data connectivity and services company. Evaluate financial projections and growth potential, capabilities regarding claims status, new EDI standards, medical policy plan design, actuarial processes, covered amounts, utilization management, eligibility, referrals, covered amount calculations, and other factors.
- In-Network and Out of Network medical charges, 340B Drug discount provider.

#### Attachment available detailing transaction experience

#### **Medical Device, Pharmaceutical Regulatory Compliance**

While working as a management consultant at Abbott Labs, Medical Optics Division (formerly Advanced Medical Optics, now owned by J&J), for the Regulatory Affairs Department, I led the FDA Compliance initiative for global complaint handling which was rolled out in the U.S., U.K., EU, and Asia). This pharmacovigilance solution supported compliance with the FDA Adverse Event reporting rules to FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS), National Drug Codes (NDCs), HCPCS, formularies, and health insurance coverage determinations for pharmacouticals. Subsequently, I led the hardware and software development team through IQ/OQ/PQ process.<sup>49</sup>

#### **Prior Experience, Non-Litigation Consulting Work**

October 2003 to February 2007 — First American/CoreLogic — SVR Commerce —

Banking solutions for \$8 billion firm. Led one of the largest most complex Sarbanes Oxley IT audits in the U.S., according to attorneys and accounting firm Led rollout of single platform eCommerce solution to integrate Wells Fargo, P. Morgan Chase, Bank of America, transactions for mortgage loan origination (credit, valuation, tax, flood, title), closing, and securitization. Member of industry Standards committees regarding document authenticity and eSign standards Mortgage Industry Standards Maintenance Organization (MISMO), the Mortgage Electronic Registration System (MERS),responsible for integrating the Fannie Mae electronic note (eNote), security instrument and application, hybrid paper-electronic mortgages which uses the e-Sign 21 C.F.R. Part 11 ("Part 11") and Uniform Electronic Transactions (UETA) Standards.

**2002 to October 2003** — **Fidelity** — **SVP eCommerce** — Banking solutions, \$12 billion firm. Met eCommerce deadline or roll out of new electronic appraisal network, responsible for roll out of electronic eCommerce exchange for financial services products consumed by mortgage loan originators.

May 2000 to 2002 - President & CEO (Erogo, / (Citrix Systems licensor) a SaaS Cloud medical and internet billing company). Built cloud SaaS internet medical billing company from \$500k to \$10 million in revenue and investment by Citrix. Contracted as HIPAA Business Associate with healthcare providers at the outset of HIPAA Requirements for Business Associates in 2000 – 2003.

October 1999 to 2000 Axway/Worldtalk, (Acquired by Tumbleweed Communications) Silicon Valley — VP Marketing for a secure email and Cloud/Internet of Things (IoT) rules-based interoperability company.

June 1997 to October 1999 — Heidrick & Struggles, Silicon Valley — President & CEO, LeadersOnline — Hired by premier executive search firm to build and lead an online recruiting business to diversify and assist with IPO. Set strategy, acquired assets, and led launch of Internet recruiting business as portion of IPO prospectus (S-1) and road show with Goldman Sachs, adding \$100 million to market cap of Heidrick at IPO.

September 1994 to 1997 — Oracle, HP, Symantec, Intel - Served as management consultant to Hewlett Packard on their web services strategy for enterprise clients; developed internet content joint venture partnerships between Oracle and media companies; and Corporate Development. Led IP licensing strategy and partnerships between Symantec and Intel (online of ware distribution), derivative works negotiations; assisted attorneys in software knowledge domain; 1987 to 1994 - Ashton-Tate, Borland, Cincom Systems / Par Place -Silicon Valley, Southern California, Boston — roles from Product Manager, Victorian and Channel Sales. Built a company from \$2 million to \$50 million by out, owner \$5350 million P&L and brand relaunch, turnaround. Led product requirements with customers and engineering teams, developed branding, managed public relations, advertising and research firms. Launched advertising campaigns in Wall Street Journal and other publications for largest database software brand. Conducted product research for brancing including qualitative focus groups and quantitative research for branding and brand confusion squirt test and Eveready test), 50 First product manager for the Lotus / Microsoft / Asbon-Tate SQL Server, a joint venture to implement SQL Server on personal computers and servers (Windows NT and IBM OS/2 Systems) after its success as a Unix-based relational catabase. Examined competitors; the first commercial implementations of SQL from 1979 to 1992, including the Relational Software (now Oracle) first commercially available implementation of SQL, Oracle V2 for the Digital Equipment Corp (DEC) VAX minicomputer.

### **Supplemental Material Available Upon Request**

Arrigo, M. F. (2021) NSA Provides Guidance to Mitigate VPN Vulnerabilities to Hackers.

Published April 15, 2021. https://noworldborders.com/2021/04/15/nsa-provides-guidance-to-mitigate-chinese-and-russian-hacking/

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#### <u>Health Care Processes – Health Plans</u>

- Affordable Care Act and Value-Based Care Reporting for Medicare Part C and Medicare Shared Savings Plan Accountable Care Organizations, including: HEDIS, MSSP 33 measures, HCC coding, risk adjustment, Medical Loss Ratio (MLR) risk corridors, RADV and RAC audits, and compliance platforms, Health Insurance Exchanges (HIEs), marketplaces.
- **EOB** (Explanation of Benefits) Advised health plans on the revisions in EOBs that must be made to comply with new laws and regulations, such as ICD-10.
- Actuarial & Underwriting Mr. Arrigo and his team advised health plans on shifts in coverage determinations and medical policy based on the Affordable Care Act, ICD-10, CORE Operating rules, and other regulations.
- Coverage determination planning and policy, and T systems supporting new regulations (including CMS Local Coverage Determinations and National Coverage Determinations).
   Advised health plans and providers.
- Claims processing metrics Pass-through rates, manual vs. electronic claims adjudication, and Utilization Management (UM) rates.
- Payor provider contracting Mr. Arrigo leads a team that has over 30 years of health care provider and health insurance contract negotiation experience for hospitals, clinics, and diagnostic services providers. Mr. Arrigo and his team advised 18 hospitals and clinics, four medical device and pharmaceutical firms, two healthcare IT firms, two insurance firms, and CMS in all 50 States on new regulatory impacts. Over time, he and his team have advised on over 2,000 contracts.

# Health Care Processes and IT — Hospitals, Clinics, Physicians, and Other Providers

- Readmissions metrics
- Clinical documentation, coding, and claims reimbursement
- Admission and discharge processes and metrics
- Revenue cycle management and metrics (DNFB discharged not final billed, etc.)

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 2 - Private Payor, ACO, IDN, Medicare (Part A, B, C, D), Health IT Experience

Over ten Value-Based Care Organizations (Accountable Care Organizations or ACOs) and Medicare Advantage / Part C Plans, including Essence Health Plan St. Louis, United Healthcare, and Preferred Care Partners, Miami (now owned by United Healthcare), as well as Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities (IDTFs).

#### Additional Experience with Providers by Place of Service

Code(s)	Place of Service Name		4,
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1	Pharmacy	33	Custodial Care Facility
2	Telehealth	34	Hospice
3	School	41	Ambulance Land
11	Office	42	Ambulante Air or Water
12	Home	50	Federally Qualified Health Center
13	Assisted Living Facility	51	Inpatient Psychiatric Facility
14	Group Home *		Psychiatric Facility-Partial
15	Mobile Unit	51	Hospitalization
17	Walk-in Retail Health Clinic	53	Community Mental Health Center
18	Place of Employment-	•	Residential Substance Abuse Treatment
20	Urgent Care Facility	55	Facility
21	Inpatient Hospital	56	Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center
23	Emergency Room – Hospital		Non-residential Substance Abuse
24	Ambulatory Surgical Center	57	Treatment Facility
26	Military Treatment Facility		Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation
31	Skilled Nursing Pacility	61	Facility
32	Nursing Facility		
62	Complehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility		
02	Prid-Stage Renal Disease Treatment		
65	Facility		
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01	maspendent Education		

### **CV SUPPLEMENT 3 - Investor Transactions and Diligence**

Investor	Target Company	Enterprise Value (\$millions)
Confidential PE fund	Provided opinions re: coding for	Over \$500 million
	diagnostic medical devices and their FDA	
	approval process relating to Independent	
	Diagnostic Testing Facility (IDTF).	
	Opinion re: Fair Market Value (FMV) of	SURK
	medical directors; risk assessment of	,Q.V
	professional component (PC), and	
	technical component (TC) for EEG and	ا ري م
	EKGs.	C
Confidential PE fund	Advised regarding Medicare Secondary	\$2.0 billion +
	Payor healthcare data, regs incl Section	
	111 Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP	
	Extension Act of 2007 (MIMSEA) to	
	liability insurer	
Confidential \$4 billion PE	Ability Networks (leading Medicare	\$550
fund, New York	claims technology infractive ture).	
Confidential \$4 billion PE	Health Port, an electronic release of	Confidential
fund, New York	HIRAA information service provider.	
PE fund, confidential,	Confidential ePCR (electronic patient	Confidential
West Coast	care record) EMS (emergency	
	management system) platform.	
\$300 million specialty PE	Orange Health (now Citra Health)	\$25
fund, New York	(Value-based care for ACOs, MA plans).	
\$300 million specially PE	MZI, a healthcare claims processing	\$25
fund, New York	software vendor.	
Kleiner Perkips Caufield	Lumeris, an Essence Global Holdings Co.	\$600
& Byers Menlo Park, CA	(Value-based care for ACOs, MA plans).	
Large Private Equity firm,	Covisint, a spin-off of Compuware (cloud	\$450
London	user access management).	
U.S. Private Equity firm,	Evaluation of diabetic population insulin	TBD
San Francisco, CA	initiation and titration mobile technology	

	for glycemic control compared with	
	standard clinical practices.	
U.S. Private Equity firm	Drug formulary business, impact of Confidential	
0.5. Thvate Equity inin	specialty reimbursement in	Communitian
	endocrinology, hematology, dermatology,	
D 11' D 1.1	and new drug discoveries	C C1 C1
Public Debt Investor	Top 10 E.H.R. software co. debt offering.	Confidential
Confidential	Confidential healthcare analytics co.	\$280
Confidential	Confidential hospital revenue cycle	N90 *
	management (RCM) business.	0
Confidential	Confidential Electronic Data Interchange	\$150
	claims co. health insurance.	
Confidential	Genetic Testing and Precision Medicine.	\$300
Confidential	Health system with multi-site hospital	\$1,000
	physician group, clinic diagnostic	
	imaging.	
Confidential	Health IT solutions: Drug Dispensary	Confidential
	automation for oral and intravenous Anti-	
	Emetic Drugs for Chemotherapy	
	Chemotherazeutic Regimen.	
Confidential	Pharmacy Benefit Management (PBM)	\$600
	buşiness	
Intel/Symantec	Advised regarding intellectual property	Confidential
	licensing for security software, electronic	
<b>X</b>	distribution, derivative works, patent	
νο,	licensing	
Oracle/CNN Interactive	Advised regarding new joint venture,	Confidential
	content management solutions, and	
	patents licensing.	
Leading Korean-based	Advised regarding intellectual property	\$300
mobile technology and	licensing for healthcare IT solutions in	ψ300
	the mobile market, security solutions	
telephone electronics firm		
	including block chain, patient	

	engagement modules; evaluation of	
	patent portfolio.	
Confidential	Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility	\$250
	(IDTF) that provides EEG and EKG	
	services	
	Total Enterprise Value	\$8.0 Billion +

CV SUPPLEMENT 4 - Affordable Care Act, Medicaid, Social Security, Insurance Exchange / Market Exchanges, Benefits Determination (1 of 2)

Experience with regulations, technology, and requirements for systems supporting 15 Scientific Medicaid insurance Exchange eligibility systems including these business requirements, which in turn provide State-by-State eligibility for Affordable Care Act insurance makings:

#### **Information Architecture:**

The Medicaid Information Technology Architecture (MITA) unitiative, sponsored by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), is intended to foster integrated business and IT transformation across the Medicaid enterprise to improve the administration of the Medicaid program. Led engagements to extend and enhance Medicaid systems with enterprise software partners in several States before, during and immediately after the MITA Architecture update to accommodate HIPAA 5010, KD 10, the Affordable Care Act, HITECH Act, CHIPRA, and NCPDP standards.

#### **Types of Exchanges and Enrollee Characteristics:**

Federal (HHS) Exchanges "Federally Facilitated Marketplace" ("FFM"), which are being used in States such as: (FL, GA, NC, SC, VA, AL, MS, MO, AR, LA, OH, PA, IL, OK, MT, UT, ND, SD, NE) and provider contracting.

- State-Based Exchange ("SBEs") and State-by-State variances (CA, WA, ID, CO, KY, MN, NY, VT, RI, CT, MA, DE, MD, DC).
- State MMIS Medicaid Management Information Systems, which provide some of the eligibility technology platform for the Exchanges.

#### Eligibility Process, Technology for State Health and Public Welfare

- Section 1619(b) of the Social Security Act re: Social Security beneficiaries, Medical eligibility.
- 42 CFR § 435.603 Application of modified adjusted gross income (U.S. criminal and State Residency, household size and FPL
- el as determinent of Medicaid eligibility, Out FPL percentage – percent of Federal Poverty 1 of Pocket Maximums (OOPM)
- TANF Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (formerly AFDC)/The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-193) and **TEFRA**
- SNAP Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly food stamps)
- Medicaid free and low-cost healthcare to low-income families
- CHIP Children's Health Insurance Program (Medicaid for kids)
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC) nutritional supplement for pregnant women, infants, and children (until school age)

Expert Quotation regarding the Affordable Care Act, Risk Corridors, and Health Plan **Participation in Insurance Exchanges** 

The Lund Report quoted Michael F. Arrigo as an expert in risk corridors, a provision in the Affordable Care Act in 2014 to 2016 to encourage health plans to participate in Health Insurance Exchange marketplaces.

CV SUPPLEMENT 4 - Affordable Care Act, Medicaid, Social Security, Insurance Exchange, Benefits Determination (2 of 2)

Jurisdiction	State Medicaid Systems, Health Insurance Exchanges, and			
	Processes			
Alaska	Eligibility Information System (EI)			
Arizona	Arizona Technical Eligibility Computer System (AXTECS)			
Georgia	SHINES, COMPASS, Vitale Events, Medicard Data Broker			
Hawaii	Hawaii Automated Welfare Intornation System (HAWI)			
Kansas	Kansas Automated Eligibility & Child Support Enforcement			
	System (KAECSES)			
Louisiana	Medicaid Eligibility Data Syxtem (LA MEDS)			
Massachusetts	Mass 21st Centur Discoulity Policy (MA-21)			
Minnesota	MAXIS State, county eligibility for public assistance,			
	healthcare; exchanges data with Medicaid Management			
	Information System (MMIS), MN Employment and Economic			
	Development, MN Dept. of Finance, and U.S. Social Security			
	Administration			
Mississippi	ississippi Applications Verification Eligibility Reporting			
$\sim$	Information and Control System (MAVERICS)			
Pennsylvania	COMPASS – healthcare, cash, long-term, home, supplemental			
7,	nutrition (SNAP) eligibility			
Rholfe Island	INRhodes and UHIP data and functions for the Family			
19.	Independence Program, Food Stamps, Child Support			
	Enforcement, Medicaid Eligibility, Childcare, Public Assistance			
South	Family Independence Financial System (FIFS)			
Carolina				

Tennessee	TennCare and SSI (Supplemental Security Income Under Social	
	Security Administration)	
Vermont	ACCESS	
Washington	Automated Client Eligibility Determination System (ACEDS)	
DC		
Wyoming	EPICS (Eligibility Payment Information Computer System)	

## CV SUPPLEMENT 5 - Meaningful Use / Promoting Interoperability of Electronic Health Records, Workflows, Physician Experience Optimization (1 of 3)

Leader of a team that has advised 50 electronic medical records vendors and healthcare providers regarding achieving software certification for Meaningful Use (MU) under the HITECH Act as well as MU implementations, attestations, and audit defense v. CMS, OIG, and CMS Auditors. Eight of the Top Ten Electronic Health Record Companies —

• Allscripts,

eClinicalWorks.

Meditech,

NextGen.

Athenahealth,

• Epic,

Cerner.

McKesson,

Assessed five mid-tier E.H.R. and smaller E.H.R. companies and practice management systems including AdvancedMD, Kareo, and Modernizing Medicine, with respect to Meaningful Use, HIPAA, and Information Safeguards compliance. Prior retention by U.S. DOJ pertaining to a particular E.H.R and the False Claims Act; retained by Defendant/owner of E.H.R. and a hospital re: False Claims Act; presentation on E.H.K. to U.S. OIG and FBI.

Meaningful Use (MU) (now called "Promoting Interoperability) is composed of a complex list of objectives, including HIPAA privacy, Personal Health Information Safeguards, Clinical Quality Measures (CQMs), clinical decision support (CDS), transitions of care<sup>51</sup> (TOC), data portability, auditable events, patient engagement, and other measures. Mr. Arrigo has opined as an Expert regarding MU and provided opinions and guidance on all of the following factors:

- Authorized Testing and Certifications Bodies (ATCBs) and processes.
- Eligiba Hospital (EP) and Eligible Provider (EP) attestations and audit defense under Medicare and Medicaid in civil and criminal defense cases.
- Data quality check on numerators and denominators in live data vs. attestation reporting.
- Stimulus funds, OIG, and CMS auditors.
- HHS OCR, HIPAA breaches, State CMIA breaches, and stimulus eligibility.
- Modular and Complete E.H.R. certifications.

- Discrete data structures.
- HIPAA Privacy and Security Assessments as a Component of MU and the Administrative,
   Physical, and Technical Safeguards of HITECH Act as well as Operational Policies,
   Procedures and Documentation, and HIPAA overlapping requirements.
- Clinical workflow for both acute care and ambulatory E.H.R.s.
- Rollout Phases I, II of E.H.R. implementation in Emergency and Radiology departments.
- Medication dispensing modules.
- Standardized the implementation process and used as quality control while contracted to U.S.
  HHS/ONC to educate Regional Extension Centers providing national education and quality
  standards that were adopted by ONC.
- Standardized at the highest benchmarking level so that every implementation met the same criteria.

## CV SUPPLEMENT 5 - Meaningful Use of Electronic Health Records, Workflows, Physician Experience Optimization (2 of 3)

### Leadership of Team with the Following Qualifications

- Served as a resource to Access Hospital for V.S. NUS for hospital E.H.R. implementations across the country
- Experienced training the implementation process for Regional Extension Centers; co-chaired the committee that built the curriculum
- E.H.R. advisors for the American Society of Oncologists, and American Gastro Institute standardized institute
- E.H.R. contract negotiation process Value Added Reseller (VAR) selection
- Hospital, Critical Access Hospital, Federally Qualified Health Centers, and Community
  Hospital (Medicare and Medicaid stimulus). Managed E.H.R. implementations teams and
  audits as follows:

LOCATION	MONTH/YE AR	ASSIGNMENT
Certified electronic health record Technology (CEHRT) certification testing and audits	2014 to present	<ol> <li>Advise E.H.R. companies on HITECH Act requirements for CEHRT, proctor and test preparation using ONC test scripts.</li> <li>Audit / prosecution and audit defense of eligible hospitals, eligible providers in DOJ / ONC / CMS / HHS / OIG investigations</li> </ol>

		ICD-10 Transition review of Allscripts, Epic
Johnstown PA	2013 - 2014	systems for Duke LifePoint, / Conemaugh Health
		system and processes
Confidential		CPOE, RXM, E-Prescribe implementation for Magic
Client	Apr 13 –Sep	5.66 site. Built all PHA and RXM dictionaries
Zachary, LA	14	including all Order Strings. Primary resource for
Zacilary, LA		system preparation and workflow recommendations.
		CPOE building & support. NPR for OE, RXM, BAR
Confidential		PHA, dictionary scripting, CPOE workflow
Client	Oct 12 – Mar	optimization through PHA and POM Rules
CO	13	programming, advanced query attributes, Order set
		maintenance, user support, rotating on call & task
		completion.
Confidential		MEDITECH Magic Optimization. Pharmacy
Client	Jul 12 -Aug 12	Assessment and recommendations. Remediation
Galway, Ireland		NPR for MM, PHAMM, PHA)
Confidential		Magic 5.66 RXM and CPOE assessment,
Client	Apr 12 – Jun	recommendations, and remediation. Build support.
Newburg, NY	12	Workflow assessment and recommendations. Med
Newburg, N I		Reconciliation NPR (ADM, NUL PHA)
Confidential	Jan 10 - Mar	Pharmacy module training for new pharmacy
Client	10	director, Included MEDITECH Pyxis, module
Arlington, TX		integration, bulling process, reformat.
Confidential		Remote module support. Problem analysis /
Client	Jul 09 - Sep 09	remediation Dictionary work, NPR report writing
Arlington, TX		for HA ADM DAK, SCH, Rules
		Magic to Chart Server Migration: (Magic
Confidential		Magic to Client Server Migration: (Magic
Client	Jun 08 – Jan 🧪	version 35 to Client Server 5.64) Responsible
Memorial	09	for all aspects of pharmacy portion of the
Hospital	()	project. Extended to bring pharmacy to a higher
Ventura, CA		level of MEDITECH utilization
Confidential	\	Clinical Workflow Assessment - Workflow review
Client	Nov 06 – Det	and recommendations. Dictionary rebuild,
Fredericksburg,	06	MEDITECH Task completion, NPR Label reformat.
TX	7,	EMAR/BMV project lead.
	0×	PHA Workflow & Billing Assessment – Performed
Confidential		on-site dictionary and workflow review for PHA,
Client	Oct 06 – Nov	BAR, AP, GL. Provided written assessment and
New Mexico	06	recommendations for multidisciplinary problems;
		Remediation.
Confidential	M 06 C	
Client	May 06 –Sep	EMAR/BMV Installation - Project Manager
Texas	06	
		EMAR/BMV Installation - Created a "closed loop"
Confidential	Jan 06 – May	pharmacy where every step in the medication cycle
Client	06	is scanned. Coordinated with project manager,
MO		nursing analyst
Confidential	N 05 D	<u>Pharmacy Expansion</u> : Assess and support pharmacy
Client	Nov 05 – Dec	for the opening of an additional hospital for a
Arizona	05	corporation.

Confidential Client	Jun 05 – Nov 05	EMAR/BMV Install Pharmacy Analyst for multidisciplinary team. Build, testing, medication
Arizona	03	stock preparation. QA/Metric validation.
Confidential Client Illinois	Mar 05 – Jun 05	New MEDITECH Installation – Clinical module dictionary build, testing, training. go live support.
Confidential Client CA	May 04 – Oct 04	EMAR/BMV Installation - Assessment, preparation of Clinical dictionaries, bar coding pharmacy stock, project management. User go-live support. Forms and label
Confidential Client Texas	Jan 05 – Feb 05	Pharmacy/Nursing Assessment: Clinical Workflow and Dictionaries. Recommendations and remediation.

- Advised U.S. Department of Justice regarding E.H.R., §495.6 Meaningful Use objectives and measures for EPs (physicians), eligible hospitals, and Critical Access Hospitals.
- Attestation processes, including compliance with:
  - a. Computerized provider order entry (CPOE) for medication orders
  - b. Drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks, adverse drug reactions (ADR), and: "The EP, EH, or CAH has enabled and implemented the functionality for drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks for the entire EHR reporting period."
  - c. Maintain an up-to-date problem list of current and active diagnoses
  - d. Generate and transmit permissible prescriptions electronically (eRx) and access to external formularies
  - e. Medication information as structured data
  - f. Maintain Active Medication allergy 1 st
  - g. Patient demographics, vital signs, smoking status, quality measures, patient education, clinical decision support, syndromic surveillance, immunization records, and transitions of care Patient access to records via web or mobile portal

## Meaningful Use Stage

Eligible professionals (physicians):

- 13 required core objectives
- 5 menu objectives from a list of 9
- Total of 18 objectives

Eligible hospitals and CAHs:

11 required core objectives

- 5 menu objectives from a list of 10
- Total of 16 objectives

#### Meaningful Use Stage 2:

Eligible professionals:

- 17 core objectives
- 3 menu objectives that they select from a total list of 6
- Total of 20 objectives

Eligible hospitals and CAHs:

- 16 core objectives
- 3 menu objectives that they select from a total list of 6
- Total of 19 objectives

#### **Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS):**

As the meaningful use program transitioned to a focus on promoting interoperability, the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) is one way to participate in the Quality Payment Program (CPP), a program authorized by Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA). The program describes how Medicare reimburses MIPS-eligible clinicians for Part B-covered professional services and rewards them for improving the quality of patient care and outcomes. The Merit-based fractive Payment System OFRITTION (MIPS) determines the Medicare payment adjustments. Using a composite performance score, eligible clinicians (ECs) may receive:

- 1. a payment bonus,
- 2. a payment penalty,
- 3. no payment adjustment.

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 6 - Healthcare Business Transactions, Supporting HIPAA X12

### 45 CFR Part 162 Health Dsurance Reform; Modifications to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA); Final Rules

Consulted to some of the largest self-insured employers in the U.S. with ERISA – Taft-Hartley Trust Alans regarding the transition from HIPAA 4010 to HIPAA 5010, enabling new coding standards to be used in healthcare. These included revisions to these EDI transactions:

- 1. Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response EDI 270/271
- 2. Health Care Claim Status Request/Response EDI 276/277
- 3. Health Care Services Request for Review/Response (Prior Auth.) EDI 278
- 4. Payroll deductions for premiums EDI 820
- 5. Benefit enrollment and maintenance EDI 834

- 6. Health Care Claim: Payment/Advice EDI 835,
- 7. Health Care Claim: institutional, professional/dental
  - a. EDI 837I /P /D, Pharmacy Claim (NCPDP),
  - b. Coordination of Benefits (COB) and third-party liability,
  - c. Fraud waste and abuse analytics and Special Investigative Unit (SIU).

Modifications to § 162.1102, § 162.1202, § 162.1302, § 162.1402, § 162.1502, § 162.1602, § 162.1702, and § 162.1802 to adopt the ASC X12 Technical Reports Type 3 (TR3), Version 005010 (Version 5010) reporting of clinical data, enabling the reporting of ICD–10–CM diagnosis codes and ICD–10–PCS procedure codes.

CV SUPPLEMENT 7 - Revenue Cycle Management, Clinical Documentation and Coding Processes

Lead team that implements hospital system assessments for ICD-V and CPT

coding compliance and quality, including:

CDI (Clinical Documentation Improvement) strategy and alignment between HIM department, coders, nursing, and physicians. Benefits of coder-physician collaboration and securing results in improved coding. Engage case managers to focus on CDI trends, work with physicians that are the largest admitters. Understanding of key processes including:

Patient intake
Patient assessment
Documentation of care
Insurance coverage determination
Discharge activities
Provider communications
Referrals
Prior authorizations
Coding
Charge capture, super bills
Billing
Revenue collection
Vendor impacts
EHR and other system readiness to support clinical documentation improvement
IT plans

Impact on concurrent initiatives

Reporting

Quality improvement efforts

Payor readiness and processes; medical policy assumptions for contracting

Institutional Review Board (IRB) impact review for ICD-10

Data warehouse and business intelligence "retooling" of analytics required

National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI), Modifiers, Bundling and Unbundling Criteria According to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid

CV SUPPLEMENT 8 – Drug Pricing Practices Using Analytics to identify - UCIC Pair Market Value) in Pharmaceutical Pricing

- Re-Defining AWP
- % Factor
- NDC price reporting
- Mark-Ups & Price Spreads
- Backroom Processor Schemes
- Rebate Schemes
- Flat, Access, Market Share
- Rebates
- "Brand" and "Generic"
- Formulary Steering
- Pre-Authorization Schemes
- Clinical Rules & Protocols
- Mail-Order
- Leveliging Captive Facility
- Multiple MAC Lists
- Drug Switching
- Drug Repackaging
- Fraudulent Plan Design
- Zero Cost Scripts

- Higher Than Logic
- Pocketing Refunds, Reversals, and Returns
- Payor Account Crediting
- Specialty Drug Issue

Published author on drug classifications such as RxNorm, National Drug Codes (NDC), and Generic Drug Identifiers (GDI).

Prior work in drug coverage determinations and medical policies of Medicare, Medi-Cal, and private insurers.

Researcher, clinical trials and pharmaceutical consultant publications (confidential cheek).

CV SUPPLEMENT 9 - HIPAA Privacy Rule and HIPAA Security Rule, HITECH Act Information Safeguards and State Statutes

Leader of a team that assesses and advises HFAA Covered Entities Regarding Standards and implementation of Privacy Security HTECH Act, including:

HIPAA Privacy Rule and HIPAA Security Rule Stantards for PAL

- 1. "Administrative Safeguards"
- 2. "Physical Safeguards"
- 3. "Technical Safeguards"
- 4. Organizational Policies and Procedures and Documentation Requirements
- 5. "Breach" under the Privacy Rule including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.
- 6. "Breach Notification for Unsecured Protected Health Information" Section 13402(f) of the HITECH Act content requirements for the breach notice ... (4) a brief description of what the covered entity involved is doing to investigate the breach, mitigate the harm to individuals, and to protect against any further treaches..."
- 7. "Business Associate," "Covored Entity," under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 160.103
- 8. "Designated Record Set" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 164.501.
- 9. "Disclosure" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.
- 10. "De-Identification Standard" including § 164.514(b)(1) Expert Determination and §164.512(b)(2) Safe Harbor, removal of 18 identifiers
- 11. "Electronic Protected Health Information" or "ePHI" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.
- 12. Four-factor breach / risk assessment as part of HIPAA Omnibus Rule
- 13. "Individual" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.
- 14. "Minimum Necessary" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.502(b) and 164.514(d).

- 15. "Privacy Rule" Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A and E.
- 16. "Protected Health Information" or "PHI" in 45 C.F.R. §§ 160.103 and 164.501, and is the information created or received by BA.
- 17. "Required by Law" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.103.
- 18. "Security Incident" shall have the meaning given to such term under the Security Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 164.304.
- 19. "Sanction Policy" (see §164.308(a)(1)(ii)(C))adjusts the disciplinary action based on and investigation of the severity of the violation (intent) and patient impact (harm) for pre-2013 breaches, and 2013 HIPAA Omnibus Rule standards 'the recipient of the PHI; and whether the PHI was actually acquired or viewed;' which provide specific guidance regarding potential patient harm assessments. (see 'Four factor risk assessment')
- 20. "Security Rule" 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A and C.
- 21. "Subcontractor" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § (16).103.
- 22. "Unsecured Protected Health Information or PHI" under the Privacy Rule including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. § 164.402.
- 23. "Use" under the Privacy Rule, including but not limited to 45 C.F.R. \$169.103.
- 24. HHS Guidance: Hybrid Entities.<sup>52</sup>

## CV SUPPLEMENT 10 - Rural Health Centers (RHCs), Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) Standards

- 1. Section 10501(i)(3)(B) of the Affordable Care Act
- 2. Rural Health Clinics Act (P.L. 95-21)
- 3. Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act is the section of federal statute that creates and authorizes the Health Center Program. It gives the <u>Bureau of Primary Health Care</u> (BPHC) the authority to make grant awards to eligible entities and outlines the requirements that health centers must meet in order to be eligible for these awards. <u>Health center lookalikes</u> are also subject to these requirements.
- 4. The section 330 statute was most recently revised in February 2018 as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act.
- Use of grants under TRICARE program under chapter 55 of title 10, United States Code for administrative programs.
- All-Inclusive Rate Reimbursement (AIRR), FQHC cost reports (CMS-222-92 and FQHC14 Cost Report Data, Prospective Payment System (PPS).
- CMS 222 financial reports for RHCs and FQHCs and basis for reports supported by clinical documentation and medical coding.
- Baseline Practitioner Productivity Standards.

- Historical perspective regarding Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) and State Medicaid program reimbursement RHCs. (In lieu of cost-based reimbursement, Medicaid shifted RHCs to a PPS methodology.)
- Industry best practices and guidelines and compliance to U.S. HHS/Health Resources and Services (HRSA) standards, including:

		STATUTE
	Needs Assessment	(Section 330(k)(2) of Public Health Service (PHS)
1		Act)
•		(Section 330(k)(2) of Public Health Service (PHS) Act) (Section 330(k)(3)(J) of the PHS Act)
2	Required and Additional	(Section 330(a) of the PHS Act)
•	Services	(Section 330(h)(2) of the PHS Act)
3	Staffing Requirement	(Section 330(a)(1), (b)(1)-(2), (k(2))(C), and (k)(3)(I)
		of the PHS Act)
4	Accessible Hours of	(Section 330(k)(x)(A) of the PHS Act)
•	Operation/Locations	
5	After Hours Coverage	(Section 330(k)(3)(A) of the PHS Act and 42 CFR Part
		50 102(h)(4))
	Hospital Admitting	(Section 330(k)(3)(L) of the PHS Act)
6	Privileges and Continuum	<b>√</b> ○`
•	of Care	
7	Sliding Fee Discounts	(Section 330(k)(3)(G) of the PHS Act, 42 CFR Part
		51c.303(f)), and 42 CFR Part 51c.303(u))
	Quality	(Section 330(k)(3)(C) of the PHS Act, 45 CFR Part
8	Improvement/Assurance	74.25 (c)(2), (3) and 42 CFR Part 51c.303(c) (1-2))
•	Plan	
9	Key Management Staff	(Section 330(k)(3)(I) of the PHS Act, 42 CFR Part
	W.	51c.303(p), and 45 CFR Part 74.25(c)(2), (3))
1	Contractual/Affiliation	(Section 330(k)(3)(I)(ii), 42 CFR Part 51c.303(n), (t),
0	Agreements	Section 1861(aa) (4) and Section 1905(l)(2)(B) of the
•		Social Security Act, and 45 CFR Part 74.1(a) (2))
1	Collaborative Relationships	(Section 330(k)(3)(B) of the PHS Act and 42 CFR Part
1		51c.303(n))

1	Financial Management and	(Section 330(k)(3)(D), Section 330(q) of the PHS Act
2	Control Policies	and 45 CFR Parts 74.14, 74.21, and 74.26)
1	Billing and Collections	(Section 330(k)(3)(F) and (G) of the PHS Act)
3		
1	Budget	(Section 330(k)(3)(D), Section 330(k)(3)(I)(i), and 45
4		CFR Part 74.25)
1	Program Data Reporting	(Section 330(k)(3)(I)(ii) of the PHS Act)
5.	Systems	
1 6	Scope of Project	(45 CFR Part 74.25)
1	Board Authority	(Section 330(k)(3)(H) of the PHS Act and 42 CFR Part
7		51c.304)
1	Board Composition	Subsection (g), (h), (i), or (p). (Section 330(k)(3)(H) of
8		the PHS Act and 42 CFR Part \$1c.304)
1	Conflict of Interest Policy	(45 CFR Part 74.42 ard 12 CFR Part 51c.304(b)).
9		YE, OK.

## CV SUPPLEMENT 11 - Clinical Documentation, Coding, Billing, Regulatory and Reimbursement, Fraud Prevention, and Safety Training

- 1. National Correct Coding (NCCI) chains edits, September 2012.
- 2. Ambulance billing and trauma activation; State, Federal CDC trauma criteria and clinical documentation Standards, Glasgow Coma scale, September 2012.
- 3. NAAC Certified Aubulance Documentation Specialist (CADS) May 2018.
- 4. Home health agencies Home Health Resource Groups (HHRGs), OASIS episodes of care.
- 5. Behavioral health, November 2013.<sup>53</sup>
- 6. Cardiblogy, November 2013.
- 7. Family practice and internal medicine, November 2013.
- 8. Obstetrics, November 2013.
- 9. Oncology, November 2013.
- 10. Urology, November 2013.

- 11. Orthopedics, November 2013.
- 12. General Surgery, and Dental, November 2013.
- 13. Plastic Surgery, November 2013.
- 14. HCC, risk adjustment, November 2013.<sup>54</sup>
- 15. DRG calculations, ICD-10, IPPS, OPPS payment systems, November 2013.55
- 16. Diagnostic Imaging & Nuclear Medicine (PET-Scans), September 2014.<sup>56</sup>
- 17. Medical Auditing, including a focus on anesthesiology, pathology, evaluation management, radiology, chemotherapy, psychotherapy, physical therapy, modifiers, and medical necessity. November 2015.<sup>57</sup>
- 18. Dermatopathology diagnosis relevant to medical specialty, 2016.
- 19. Dietetics and Nephrology, insulin DME billing for diabetes, December 2015, AHIMA.
- 20. Liens, balance billing, subrogation seminar, 2014.
- 21. Affordable Care Act "metal" plans, Medicaid expansion Federal Poverty Level guidelines on cost of care, 2014.
- 22. Coding and reimbursement for Pain Management December 2015; outpatient physical, occupational, and speech therapy, ambulance and non-emergency transportation, January 2016.<sup>58</sup>
- 23. Valuing episodes of Care: a) episodic, b) bundled payments, c) value-based payment/risk adjustments, d) episode groupers, methodologies, e) PBM/pharmacy charges, f) costs associated with complications, g) prospective, retrospective, and predictive modeling; h) claims adjudication in episodic processes, ACOs, MAOs, fiscal intermediaries, PROMETHIUS analytics payment model for risk adjustment, comorbid factors and cohorts, and data required to produce episodic care analysis; June 2016.<sup>59</sup>
- 24. HIPAAPrivacy and Security test certification, HIPAATraining.com; June 2017.
- 25. Pain and the Reward Pathway: Preclinical Studies on the Impact of Pain on Opioid-Seeking Behavior, American Academy for Pain Medicine (AAPM) presented by Catherine Cahill Ph.D., Jose Moron-Concepcion Ph.D., Truan Trang Ph.D.

- 26. Urology and toxicology screening guidelines training, In-Office Urine Drug Testing: Avoid Investigations and Audits, January 23, 2018.60 Certified Professional Coder curriculum, 10,000 Series Integumentary<sup>61</sup> System, February 25, 2018.<sup>62</sup>
- 27. Non-covered services and Advance Beneficiary Notices, GA, GZ, GX, GY modifier (not reasonable and necessary where ABN is issued or statutorily excluded), February 28, 2018.63
- SURK 28. Certified Professional Coder curriculum, Endocrine System and Nervous System, June 2018

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 12 - Medical/Laboratory Test Fees and Billing

Economic value and medical necessity (based on the diagnosis of a licensed medical professional or retained medical expert provided to me as a precursor to rendering my opinion) as determined in payor medical policies and coverage determinations for predical laboratory tests that can be used to detect, diagnose, or monitor diseases, disease precesses, and susceptibility to disease or predisposition based on genetics. Areas of expertise relud

- 1. Diagnosis (associated diagnosis code are an important indicator of medical necessity as determined in payor medical policies and to verage determinations) and billing codes, including:
  - a. ICD-10-CM, which is the standard from October 1, 2015, forward
  - b. ICD-9-CM for dates of service before October 1, 2015
  - c. CPT for outpatient procedures (for example, 8500 Blood count; blood smear, microscopic examination with manual differential WBC count)
  - d. NCCI National Correct Coding Initiative to verify whether bundled procedures and other factors are acceptable
- 2. Overview of the test
- when/why/how the test is used
- 4. Diseases that the test is often used to detect or monitor, as this pertains to coding and billing and economic value of the test in a specific geographic market or based on national standards, as well as:
  - a. Specimen collection methods/procedures (for example, whole blood collection); patient identification errors

- b. Testing methodology (for example, hematology)
- c. Usual turnaround time (for example, days elapsed time)
- d. Reference ranges for test results (normal, abnormal, male/female values, etc.)
- e. Additional or related tests

NOTE: A licensed medical professional performs interpretation of tests, and if that interpretation is provided to me in the patient medical record(s), it may be useful in opinions regarding payor determinations or economic value. I do not give medical opinions. OSURE

- 5. Categories of codes and tests:
- 1. Organ or Disease Panels
- 2. Drug Testing (presumptive, <sup>64</sup> definitive, 65 therapeutic 66)
- 3. Evocative / Suppression Testing <sup>67</sup>
- 4. Consultations / Clinical Pathology <sup>68</sup>
- 5. Urinalysis <sup>69</sup>
- 6. Molecular pathology <sup>70</sup>
- 7. Chemistry <sup>71</sup>
- 8. Hematology and Coagulation <sup>72</sup>

- 9. Immunology <sup>73</sup>
- 10. Transfusion Medicine 74
- 11. Microbiology <sup>75</sup>
- 12. Cytopathology <sup>76</sup>
- 13. Cytogenic Stud
- Surgical Pathology

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 13 - Ambulance, Trauma Activation Fees, Anesthesiology

Industry Standards for determining economic value and medical necessity (which may be based on the diagnosis of a licensed medical professional or retained medical expert provided to me as a precursor to rendering my opinion) as determined in payor medical policies and coverage determinations.

#### Ambulance Fees and Documentation Standards

- 1. NAAC Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist (CADS) May 2018
- 2. Documentation of patient's condition in Physician Certification Statement (PCS), Patient Care Report (PCR). Familiar with various documentation standards including Subjective, Objective, Assessment, and Plan (SOAP), DRAATT (D – Dispatch information, R – Response, A - Arrival, A - Assessment, T - Treatment, T - Transport), medically indicated/contraindicated based on coverage determinations, and Medical Necessity as determined by CMS

- Emergency, basic life support, scheduled transportation for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients, criteria and Local Coverage Determination (LCD) guidance regarding ambulatory status and clinical diagnosis criteria for covered and non-covered ambulance services
- 4. Transportation to or from one hospital or medical facility to another hospital or medical facility, skilled nursing facility, or free-standing dialysis center in order to obtain medically necessary diagnostic or therapeutic services

#### Trauma Activation Fees

- CDC Guidelines for Field Triage of Injured Patients: Recommendations of the National Expert Panel on Field Triage
- County and Provider standards for Triage and documentation for Trauma Activation

#### Anesthesiology Fees

- 1. **Time unit** intervals, or fraction thereof, start from the time the physician begins to prepare the patient for induction and end when the patient may safely be placed under post-operative supervision, and the physician is no longer in personal utendance. Actual time units will be paid and are not to be rounded.
- 2. Industry regulatory and standards bodies describe Base Units and their values.
- 3. Anesthesia Conversion Factors for geographic adjustments.
- 4. CMS Supervision Rules for Nurse Anesthetists ((1) A qualified anesthesiologist; or (2) A physician qualified to administer anesthesia, a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) or an anesthesiologist's assistant as defined in § 410.69(b))

## CV SUPPLEMENT 14A –Safety Policies for Healthcare Providers - Certification Review Processes Guidelines and Joint Commission Standards:

Health Care Medication Management, Drug Interaction Best Practices Materials and Staffing Services Certification, Personnel File Review, Risk Management Joint Commission Standards <sup>6</sup> which are designed in part to avoid Sentinel Events<sup>7</sup>:

- 1. Development and approval of criteria for selecting medications, which, at a minimum, include the following: Indications for use, effectiveness, drug interactions, potential for errors and abuse, adverse drug events, and sentinel event advisories
- 2. Supply chain of critical supplies and medical technology; supplier integrity
- 3. Current licensure, certification, or registration required by the State, the firm, or customer from primary sources
- 4. Education and training associated with residency or advanced practice, experience, and competency appropriate for assigned responsibilities
- 5. Clinical work history/references
- 6. Initial and ongoing evaluation of competency
- 7. Information on criminal background per law, regulation and ustomer requirements
- 8. Compliance with applicable health screening and immunization requirements established by the firm or customer
- 9. Information on sanctions or limitations against an individual's license is reviewed upon hire, and upon reactivation or expiration.
- 10. For individuals who are practicing activensed Independent Practitioners, in addition to the aforementioned requirements, the fam performs the following according to law, regulation,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For a health care organization to participate in and receive payment from the Medicare or Medicaid programs, it must meet the eligibility requirements for program participation—including a certification of compliance with the Conditions of Participation (CoPs) or Conditions for Coverage (CfCs), which are set forth in federal regulations. The certification is based on a survey conducted by a State agency on behalf of the Federal Government, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), or a national accrediting organization, such as The Joint Commission, that has been approved by CMS as having standards and a survey process that meets or exceeds Medicare's requirements. Health care organizations that achieve accreditation through a Joint Commission-deemed status survey are determined to meet or exceed Medicare and Medicaid requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A sentinel event is an unexpected occurrence involving death or serious physical or psychological injury, or the risk thereof. Serious injury specifically includes loss of limb or function. The phrase "or the risk thereof" includes any process variation for which a recurrence would carry a significant chance of a serious adverse outcome.

- and firm policy: Voluntary and involuntary relinquishment of any license or registration is verified and documented
- 11. Voluntary and involuntary termination of *hospital* medical staff membership is verified and documented
- 12. Any evidence of an unusual pattern or an excessive number of professional liability actions resulting in a final judgment against the applicant is investigated and documented
- 13. Documentation that the staff person has received orientation from the organization

CV SUPPLEMENT 14B – National Patient Safety Goals Defined by the Joint Commission, Elements of Performance to Meet Goals for the Purposes of Auditing Polies & Procedures

Certification October 2019

#### Goal 1 - Improve the accuracy of patient identification

NPSG.01.01.01 - Use at least two patient identifiers when providing care, treatment, and services.

NPSG.01.03.01 - Eliminate transfusion errors related to patient physical infection

#### Goal 2 - Improve the effectiveness of communication among caregives

NPSG.02.03.01 - Report critical results of tests and diagnostic procedures on a timely basis PC.02.02.01 EP 1, PC.02.02.01 EP 2 - During tealsitions of care, there must be a process in place to ensure coordination of care among care providers – also referred to as "hand off communication". "The hospital has a process to receive or share patient information when the patient is referred to other internal or external providers of care, treatment, and services" and "The hospital's process for hand-off communication provides for the opportunity for discussion between the giver and receiver of patient information. Note: Such information may include the patient's condition, care, treatment, medications, services, and any recent or anticipated changes to any of these."

### Goal 3 - Improve the safety of using medications.

NPSG.03.04.01 - Labelall medications, medication containers, and other solutions on and off the sterile field in perioperative and other procedural setting

NPSG.03.05.00 Reduce the likelihood of patient harm associated with the use of anticoagulant therapy.

NPSG.03.06.01 - Maintain and communicate accurate patient medication information

MM.04.01.01 EP 8 - Conducting a risk assessment allows organizations to identify risk points associated with these processes, and to ensure that such processes do not include any summary (blanket) orders for resuming medication. A proactive risk assessment (sometimes referred to as an FMEA) examines a process in detail, including sequencing of events, actual and potential risks, and failure or points of vulnerability. Risk points are then prioritized through a logical process, then process improvements - based

on the actual or potential impact (that is, criticality) on quality and safety – are implemented to reduce or eliminate risk. The introductory section of the Leadership (LD) chapter provides an example of a proactive risk assessment model that an organization may use. However, this specific approach is not mandated as there are other risk assessment tools available that may better meet the needs of the organization.

Goal 6 - Reduce the harm associated with clinical alarm systems.

NPSG.06.01.01 - Improve the safety of clinical alarm systems

Goal 7 - Reduce the risk of health care—associated infections.

NPSG.07.01.01 - Comply with either the current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) hand hygiene guidelines or the current World Health Organization (WHO) hand hygiene guidelines.

NPSG.07.03.01 - Implement evidence-based practices to prevent health care—associated infections due to multidrug-resistant organisms in acute care hospitals (applies to, but is not limited to, epidemiologically important organisms such as methicillin- resistant Staphylecoccus arreus (MRSA), Clostridium difficile (CDI), vancomycin-resistant enterococci (VRE), carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), and other multidrug-resistant gram-negative bacteria).

NPSG.07.04.01 - Implement evidence-based practices to prevent central line—associated bloodstream infections (short- and long-term central renous cathelers and peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) lines).

NPSG.07.05.01 - Implement evidence based practices for preventing surgical site infections.

NPSG.07.06.01 - Implement evidence-based practices to prevent indwelling catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUT).

Goal 15 - The hospital identifies safety risks inherent in its patient population.

NPSG.15.000 - Identify patients at risk for suicide

CV SUPPLEMENT 15 - Medical Devices, Pharmaceutical 510(k) premarket submissions, Adverse Events

Medical Device Approvals for Specific Purpose, Embedded Systems Development and Testing for Market, Pharmacovigilance for FDA Adverse Event Reporting

- I. 510(k) premarket submissions to FDA to demonstrate that device is to be marketed as safe and effective—that is, substantially equivalent to a legally marketed device (21 CFR 807.92(a)(3)) that is not subject to Premarket Approval (PMA):
- II. Device predicates pertaining to FDA approval for a specific purpose:
  - intended use;
  - technological characteristics vs. predicate;
  - technological characteristics and the information submitted to FDA;
    - o does not raise new questions of safety and effectiveness;
    - o demonstrates that the device is as safe and effective as the predicate.
- III. Audits of healthcare providers and claims with respect to approved devices matched to medically necessary procedures:
  - a. Frequencies and bandwidths applicable to cardiac and brain diagnostic monitoring (ECG, EKG, EEG) and applicable medical procedure codes
  - b. Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility form CMS-835B (device inventories)
  - c. CPT codes matched to devices, precedure billing timelines
- IV. Performance Qualification (PQ), Q (Installation Quality), Operational Qualification (OQ)
  - a. Led embedded systems vottware team
  - b. Coordinated regulatory affairs work and liaison regarding IQ/OQ/PQ validation process as provided for in 21 CFR part 11
- V. Triage process for FNA Event Reporting System (FAERS) compliant complaint handing
  - a. Pharmaceuticals and devices
  - b. Led implementation of a global pharmacovigilance complaint-handling system

CV SUPPLEMENT 16A – Pain Management Practices and Opioid Prescribing under Federal Controlled Substances Act and State Laws, Opioid Reversal and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and Clinical Research / Clinical Trials Data Forensics

Execution of provider, prescribing data, and payor audits for Controlled Substances Act compliance and pain management. Prior experience in coding and billing disputes and DEA Diversion Control investigations of controlled substance providers.

#### 1. Controlled Substances Act Compliance Audits

- Audit Protocol Development Methodology a.
- Goals in Reviewing a Pain Management Practice b.
- Physician Prescribing Analytics
- Examine Prescribing Volume and Days of Supply per Patient
- Diagnoses of the population and medical necessity of opioids
- Initial Patient Intake and Examination f.
- Formulation of Treatment Plan
- Pain Management Agreement
- Re-Assessment
- Objective Measures and Corrective Action į.
- k. State PDMP Database Checks
- Toxicology / Drug Screening 1.
- Titration / Weaning
- Termination
- PEG Screening Tool
- A DISCLOSURE Objective tools to describe pain levels in patients based on CDC and other standards
- DOJ Diversion Control Division CSA Guidelines
- Medical Necessity and the CSA
- The Practitioners Manual, Section IV Record Keeping
- Valid Prescription Requirements The Practitioners Manual, Section V t.
- The Practitioners Manual, Section Opioid Addiction Treatment Programs
- 2. State Treatment with Opioid Ratient Agreements and compliance, toxicology protocols, State prescription drug management programs (PDMPs)

#### 3. Data Analytics competencies:

- Human Data Science analytics regarding use of Naloxone, Narcan, Evizio (high-risk / low-risk populations
- Patient access data, utilization reviews, abuse patterns
- Medicare, Medicaid and private payor coverage determinations and claims analytics
- d. FAERS Adverse Event reports (see Attachment 15) and National Addictions Vigilance Intervention and Prevention Program (NAVIPPRO) Addiction Severity Index (ASM-MV), Comprehensive Health Assessment for Teens (CHAT), RADARS Opioid Treatment and Survey of Key Informants Programs (OTP and SKIP, respectively), Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) admission-based census that includes data from facilities that receive public funds

e. **BARDA** - Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority HHS ASPR, the Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE)

#### 4. Clinical Trials Research Data Forensics (CDISC)

- a. Organize (SEND)
- b. Plan (PRM)
- c. Collect (CDASH)
- d. Organize (SDTM)
- e. Analyze (ADaM)

#### 5. Clinical Trials covered by CMS

- a. ICD-9, ICD-10 diagnosis codes
- b. Modifiers for procedure codes
- c. Coverage criteria

CLOSUPAK CV SUPPLEMENT 16B - Payor Data and Coverage Determinations, Medication Assisted Treatment for Alcohol and Opioid Use Disorders and of Medication for the Reversal of Opioid Overdose

Expertise in analysis of prescribing data, data standards, distribution and Coverage Determinations by payors, Guidance from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration SAMHSA:

## Prior Speaking Engagements re Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse:

See the list of presentations to Behavioral Health/substance abuse specialists in the main body of C.V.

#### **Drug Utilization Data and Coverage Peterminations:**

- Fee for Service Medicaid
- Medicaid managed carrorganizations (MCOs)
- Medicare (Local Coverage Determinations or LDCs retired and active during the applicable date(s) of service
- Commercial Medical Policies (over 15 across 60 payors), such as ultra-rapid detoxification (UROD)
- Presence of diagnosis, diagnosis codes, and other indications for medically care determinations

#### **Drug Classification Systems:**

- HCPCS codes for drugs,
- drug classification systems (published author with prior experience in compounding pharmacies – see C.V. attachment 8),
- DOJ investigations of data standards for ePrescribing and E.H.R.s

#### **Alcohol Use Disorder Medications:**

- Acamprosate calcium (oral) (Campral)
- Disulfiram (oral) (Antabuse)
- Naltrexone (oral) 3.
- Naltrexone (extended-release injectable) (Vivitrol)

#### Opioid Use Disorder Treatments, charges, and eligibility determinations:

- Aprenorphine (extended-release injectable) (Sublocade)

  4. Buprenorphine/ naloxone (oral, Bunavail [buccal], Suboxone [sublingual], Zubsone [sublingual])

  5. Methadone (oral) (Dolophine)

  6. Naltrexone (oral)

- 7. (extended-release injectable) (Vivitrol)

### Elements of Collaborative Practice Agreements for Nurse Practitioners (NPs) and other clinicians in various Jurisdictions under Physician Supervision, e.g.:

- Scope of practice, for example:
  - Psychiatric diagnostic evaluations to assess for and determine psychiatric illness, and diagnoses that can be made (e.g., nood and anxiety disorders, psychotic disorders, disruptive behavior, developmental disorders, eating disorders, delirium, and dementia, substance use disorders, and personality disorders).
- Requesting and interpreting lab and other diagnostic procedures, such as EKGs, to rule out ii. medical etiology for sychiatric illness or other medical conditions, and to assist in diagnosis and monitoring for adverse effects from medications.
- Request assessments/evaluations, as needed, to confirm or support diagnoses or guide iii. treatment, including but not limited to psychological and educational testing; speech/language, vision, and hearing assessment; neurological evaluation; or referral to their primary care physician.
- Prescriptive Authority. iv.
- v. Drug categories that may and may not be prescribed by the NP (including controlled (II-V), legend, and over-the-counter drugs)
- Practice protocols

- Physician consultation
- Record review
- Resolution of disagreements

CV SUPPLEMENT 16C – Payor Data and Coverage Determinations, Generic and Brand Name Drugs, Orphan Drugs, Formularies, Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committees, Coverage Tiers

- 1. Insurance Coverage Requirements
  - a. Prior treatment with inexpensive Amantadine IR required first
  - b. Prior authorization required
  - c. Orphan drug status provides tax incentives but in the end is problematic for payors
    - i. Orphan drug and reformulated generic immediately puts drug on radar with health plans to scrutinize for cost
    - ii. Orphan drug / media public policy state concern for drugs not considered novel e.g. (Immediate release ("IR") vs. Extended release ("ER"))
  - 2. Payer four-tier structure in formularies, in which the higher the tier the higher the patient cost-sharing:<sup>80</sup>
    - 1. Tier 1: generic drug
    - 2. Tier 2: preferred brand-name drugs
    - 3. Tier 3: non preferred brand-name drugs (Gocovri)<sup>81</sup>
    - 4. Tier 4 ("specialty tier") for so-called specialty drugs: specialty drugs are defined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as therapeutic agents costing more than \$600 per patient per month.
- 3. Formulary time to marke
  - a. Impact on payor acceptance time to formulary impacts payor coverage
  - b. Impaction e-prescribing if not in formulary for physicians when using E.H.R.
- 4. Clinical rials studies diligence, consultant publications and resultant formulary composition offered by a health plan payer based on medications that a panel of independent medical experts on pharmacy and therapeutics (P&T) committee select based on evidence of the drug's IR v. ER (e.g., pharmacokinetics), efficacy and price.
- 5. AMA committee methods to determine if a drug receives a new HCPCs code based on criteria

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 17 - Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, Supplies (DMEPOS)

Generally familiar with 280 classifications of HCPS usual customary and reasonable charges, and classifications of DMEPOS, specifically:

- 1. Alarm Device
- 2. Ambulatory Traction Device
- 3. CPAP Device
- 4. Dynamic Flexion Devices
- 5. EMG Device
- 6. Foot Off Loading Device
- 7. Monitoring Feature/Device
- 8. Ocular Prosthetics
- Oral Device to Reduce AirwayCollapsibility
- 10. Orthopedic Devices
- 11. Pain Management

- 12. Passive Motion Exercise Device
- 13. Power Mobility Devices
- 14. Reaching/Grabbing Device
- 15. Repair of Prosthetic Device
- 16. Repair/Modification of Augmentative Communicative System or Device
- 17. Skin Piercing Device
- 18 Speech Generating Device
- 19. Standing Devices/Lifts
- 20. Studulation Devices
- 21 TMJ Device and Supplies
- 22. Ventricular Assist Devices

CV SUPPLEMENT 18 - Patent Statutes, Sub Parts, Rules, Case Law, Scope of Work as Technical and Damages Expert (1 of 4)

Familiarity with patent statutes, rules, requirements, case law

- A. Statutory: Patent code 35 V.S.C Overview
  - a. Part II PATENTABILITY OF INVENTIONS AND GRANT OF PATENTS (§§ 100 to 2(2)
  - b. Part N PATENTS AND PROTECTION OF PATENT RIGHTS (§§ 251 to 329)
- B. Familiarity with Specific Sub Parts of Patent Code
- 1. Utility (see 35 U.S.C. § 101 which covers Utility, Statutory Subject Matter) especially in the three areas of:
  - i. Process
  - ii. Composition of matter
  - iii. New and useful improvement

#### 2. Novelty (see U.S.C. §102)

- a. Prior art §102(a) Prior art including information available for consideration when determining whether an invention is patentable, public information including patents, publications, article, product, information on the internet, etc. and printed publications both U.S. and foreign.
- b. Exceptions §102(b), disclosures
- c. Common ownership under joint research agreements §102(c)
- d. Patents and published applications as effective prior art §102(d)

#### 3. Non-obviousness (see U.S.C. §112)

- a. General §112(a) including the written description, manner and process of making and using, terminology, skill level, and the best mode contemplated by the inventor or joint inventor...
- b. Conclusion §112(b) conclusion distinctly claiming subject matter...
- c. Form §112(c) written in independent or multiple dependent form...
- d. Reference in dependent forms §112(d) a dependent form reference to the limitation of subject matter...
- e. Reference in multiple dependent forms §111(e. concerning multiple dependent forms, a reference to more than one claim previously set forth...

## CV SUPPLEMENT 18 - Patent Statutes, Sub Parts, Rules, Case Law, Scope of Work as Technical and Damages Expert (2 of 4)

a. An element in a claim for combination §112(f) expressed as a means or step for performing a specified function without the recital of structure, material or acts...

#### C. Rules: Patent Regulations in 37 C.F.R.

- a. Chapter USPTO
- b. Chapter IV National Institute of Standards and Technology 'N.I.S.T.' or 'NIST'

#### D. Case law

#### 1. Markman

Markman v. Westview Instruments, Inc. 517 U.S. 370, 372 (1996)) regarding the doctrine of equivalents, public notice of function of patent claims in equivalents cases and liable infringing parties 82 83

#### 2. Georgia-Pacific

Georgia-Pacific Corporation v. U.S. Plywood Corporation regarding damages

#### E. America Invents Act (AIA)

Overview: relevant for filings on or after March 16, 2013. Before AIA, priority was given to first to invent. After enactment of AIA, priority is given to first to file

- 1. Filing reforms
- 2. Examination reforms
- 3. Third party reforms
- 4. USPTO Fee setting
- 5. Priority Examination fee
- 6. Surcharges and supplemental examination
- 7. Patents on tax strategies
- 8. Virtual marketing and false marketing limits
- 9. Establishment of satellite offices
- 10. Creation of ombudsman
- 11. Pro bono and studies programs

AMERICAL DISCLOSURE. arts, Rules, Case Law, Scope of Work as CV SUPPLEMENT 18 - Patent Statutes, Sub-F Technical and Damages Expert (3 of 4

Scope of Expert Work

I have performed work on Utility patents in software, healthcare information technology, and genetics such as (cDNA). Developed several IPR petitions as well as infringement and invalidity reports and testimony as provide for in §42.65 Expert testimony; tests and data.

- (a) Expert testimony that does not disclose the underlying facts or data on which the opinion is based is entitled to little or no weight. Testimony on United States patent law or patent examination practice will not be admitted.
- (b) La party relies on a technical test or data from such a test, the party must provide an affidavit explaining:
  - (1) Why the test or data is being used;
  - (2) How the test was performed, and the data was generated;
  - (3) How the data is used to determine a value:
  - (4) How the test is regarded in the relevant art; and

#### A. Technical Expert

Perform analysis and opinions on infringement or validity. My scope has included assistance to counsel in:

- 1. claims, counterclaims, and discovery as well as affirmative defense (patent invalidity, non-infringement, equitable defenses),
- 2. claim construction / Markman hearing and deposition preparation
  - a. Scope of claims
  - b. Prior art
  - c. Educating retaining counsel about the subject matter and claim terms
  - d. Technology tutorials
  - e. Person of ordinary skill (POSA) testimony preparation
  - i. Explain what a patent reference means, what a person of ordinary skill would understand (level of skill required in the art)
    - ii. Differentiating between POSA and 'person of extraordinary kill' in the art in testimony preparation
    - iii. Preparing with counsel to determine direct cross examination focused on easy-to-understand terminology

#### **B.** Damages Expert

Assistance to counsel as an expert consultant in Damages under 35 U.S.C. §284 with general knowledge of important case law (Georgia-Pacific Corporation v. U.S. Plywood Corporation) regarding damages. (As noted in CV, recently declared qualified to testify on damages in the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit, Federal case by HONORABNE RONALD S.W. LEW Senior U.S. District Judge).

In patent litigation, served is an expert consultant regarding:

- 1. '...adequate compensation for the infringement...'
- 2. '...reasonable royalty...'
- 3. '...lost profits...'

#### C. Case history – please contact the expert for details on prior case retentions

Retained as an expert consultant:

- 1. Expert consultant for plaintiff regarding infringement
- 2. Expert consultant for the defendant to counter infringement case and support invalidity
- 3. Damages/loss calculations expert consultant for plaintiff and defendant in rebuttal to plaintiff

#### D. Scope of subject matter

Horizontal technology and medical / healthcare-specific patents and intellectual property

- 1. database software, including indexing algorithms,
- 2. software distribution and encryption algorithms,
- 3. complementary DNA (cDNA)
  - a. use of cDNA correlated with patient diagnosis, diagnosis codes
  - PAT DISCLOSURE b. use of cDNA correlated with medical procedures and procedure codes
- 4. healthcare software, including but not limited to
  - a. physician productivity metrics,
  - b. electronic health records (EHRs), and E.H.R. data forensics
    - i. electronic prescribing
    - ii. encryption hashtags
    - iii. audits
    - iv. clinical decision support
    - v. voice to text for progress notes
    - vi. authentication and patient portal
    - vii. medication management and medication formularies
  - c. medical coding encoders, which analyze physician progress notes or terminology and recommend likely medical diagnosis or procedure codes
  - d. computer-assisted coding a.k.a. C.A.C.'),
  - e. and general medical diagnosis and procedure coding as it is used for medical necessity determination and health insurance claims adjudication
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (see attachment 17, continued next page)
  - 1. Prior Art Access, Roundtable, Alexandria (December 2013)
  - 2. Glossarie Roundtable, U.C. Berkeley (October 2013)
  - 3. Software Partnership Listening Session, Roundtable, Silicon Valley (February 2013)
  - 4. Crawdsourcing, Roundtable, Alexandria (April 2014)
  - 5. Software Partnership Meeting, Roundtable, Alexandria (July 2014)
  - 6. Examiner Guidance for Internet Searching and Use of Crowdsourcing to Locate Prior Art, New York (December 2014)
- Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB)

- Non-appealable issues / Petitionable Matters in Ex parte Appeals (April 2018) PTAB
  Judges Adriene Lepiane Hanlon, Bruce Wieder, and Anthony Knight
- 2. Motions to Exclude and Motions to Strike in AIA Trials (June 2017)
- 3. Motions to Seal, Protective Orders, and Confidential Information in AIA Trials (October 2017)
- 4. Hearsay and Authentication (December 2017)
- 5. Supplemental Information vs. Supplemental Evidence (February 2018)

# CV SUPPLEMENT 19 – Medicare Medicaid SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 reporting under section 111

- 1. Non-Group Health Plan (NGHP) Responsible Reporting Entities (RREs) submitting Section 111 claim information via an electronic file submission or via Direct Data Hntry (DDE).
- 2. Total Payment Obligation to Claimant (TPOC) dollar threshold reporting requirements established in Section 111 reporting
- 3. Ongoing Responsibility for Medicals (ORM)
- 4. TPOC dollar thresholds and liability insurance (including self-insurance) and workers' compensation (Plan Insurance Type 'L' or 'E') as specified in 42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(8) (Section 111 MSP reporting requirements for liability insurance (including self-insurance), no-fault insurance, and workers' compensation)
- 5. Worker's Compensation Exclusion

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 20 – EEG and Telemedicine for Primary Care and the Neurology Specialty

- 1. Place of service codes for reprote monitoring of seizures using EEG with video
- 2. Technical component
- 3. Professional component
- 4. Primary care physician interpretations
- 5. Neurologist overreads as portion of technical component
- 6. Prevailing guidance on medical necessity and coverage determinations
  - a. Local Coverage Determinations under Medicare
  - b. Coverage Determinations of private payors
- 7. Use of National Correct Coding Initiative and claims scrubbers as basis for codes that may be used together or separately

- 8. Industry best practices and guidelines for medical coding of EEGs
- 9. Research regarding efficacy of digital spike analysis with EEGs
- 10. Documentation requirements for EEGs
- 11. Former advisor to national Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility (IDTF)

### CV SUPPLEMENT 21 – Ambulatory Surgical Center Facility Fees, Exclusions, Medical Necessity, Usual Customary and Reasonable Charges

Regulatory and Structural Issues regarding ASCs:

- Whether ASCs are traditionally subject to Stark Law, federal Anti-Kickback Statute (AKS) as
  well as state laws regarding physician ownership and referral and the Standards that apply to
  ASCs as opposed to what the law requires
- Safe harbors regarding ASC structures found at 41 C.F.R. Section 1001.952
- Physician hospital joint ventures
- Management Company ventures
- Group Practice Ownership structures

Billing guidance and economic issues regarding ASCs

- Split billing for physician and facility f
- Professional fees, facility fees
- Status indicators, Medicare Administrative Contractor Payment Indicators (PIs)
- Ambulatory Procedure Codes (A) Cs), Revenue Codes, Place of Service Codes (POS)
- Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)
- Usual Customary and Reasonab Charges

ASC facility fees and inclusion of teria<sup>84</sup> including:

Medicare, industry guidance, and other accreditation organizations and requirements, types of care, e.g.:

Tecknician an related service
 Diagnostic or therapeutic

services or

items directly related to the provision of a

surgical procedure

 Administrative, recordkeeping and housekeeping items and

services
5. Operating

surgeon's

supervision of

the

services provid

ed by an anesthetist

6. Drugs

7. Biological

8. Surgical dressings

9. Supplies

10. Splints	surgical	14. Some
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11. Casts	procedures	anesthetic
12. Appliances and	13. Anesthesia	agents
equipment that	materials and	15. Biologics
are directly	implants,	16. Radiologic
related to the	including	services
provision of	intraocular	
	lenses (IOLs)	

## CV SUPPLEMENT 21A – Fair Market Value (FMV) Physician Compensation of Physicians and Medical Directors in IDTFs, ASCs, Hospitals and other Settings by Medical Specialty

- 1. Usual and customary administrative duties
- 2. Objective measures for accountability an at-risk compensation
- 3. Stipends
- 4. Hourly rates
- 5. Service Line Co-Management Arrangements as a Stark or Anti-Kickback Statute Compliant Alternative to Hourly Compensation for Medical Directors with Base Fee and Quality Oriented Incentive Fees
- 6. Hourly thresholds
- 7. Percentage of surgical procedures
- 8. Fair market value exceptions
- 9. Issues with equity compensation
- 10. Compensation stacking
- 11. Examination of other income sources
- 12. Analysis of other payment which may be interpreted by OIG as 'inducements' to refer
- 13. Sunshing act payments
- 14. Standards regarding accounting for administrative tasks
- 15. Duties at Intersection with Medical Staff Bylaws, Medical Executive Committee (MEC)
- 16. Analysis of cardiology and cardiology subspecialty physician compensation, psychiatry compensation, orthopedic surgeon compensation, pediatric physician compensation and other specialties.

## CV SUPPLEMENT 22 - Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) Certifications and CLIA Compliance to Maintain Certification

- 1. CLIA Certificates and CLIA numbers.85
- 2. CLIA Certification types
  - a. Certificates of waiver,
  - b. Certificate for Provider-Performed Microscopy Procedures (PPMP),
  - c. Certificate of Registration,
  - d. Certificate of Compliance, Certificate of Accreditation during the relevant dates.
- 3. CLIA Accreditation organizations:
  - a. Commission on Office Laboratory Accreditation (COLA), www.cola.org
  - b. College of American Pathologists (CAP), www.cap.org
  - c. The Joint Commission (TJC), www.jointcommission.org
  - d. American Association of Blood Banks (AABB), www.aabb.org
  - e. American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), www.Ma.org
  - f. American Osteopathic Association, www.osteopathic.org
  - g. American Soc. for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI), <u>www.ashi-hla.org</u>
  - h. CMS, or CMS via any State agency

CLIA and HIPAA – Accuracy and Authorication for Reporting Lab Test Results

**Reasonable steps** used to ensure the accuracy, reliability and timeliness of clinical laboratories' test results including but not limited to **authentication process** used to determine that requests for records can be identified as belonging to that patient. <sup>86, 87, 88</sup>

CLIA training and proficency testing (PT) 89 regarding:

- a. Laboratory Quality Assurance,
- b. the College of American Pathologists' (CAP) accuracy-based proficiency testing (PT),
- Services (CMS) and the dates of any training or testing.
- d. laboratory's enrollment in PT
- e. A copy of the notification to HHS of approved enrollment program for each specialty, subspecialty, and analyte or test <sup>90</sup>

CV SUPPLEMENT 23a – Laboratory Billing, Reference Labs, Molecular Pathology, Toxicology, Genetic Sequencing

## Bill Type of Bill (TOB) 141 and related types, modifiers, CPT codes, customary billing practices

"The Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) brought further enhancements and participation incentives to the Critical Access Hospital program. The majority of the provisions relating to CAHs offered increased financial incentives for becoming a CAH. [emphasis added] This new law expanded the categories services for which CAHs are reimbursed on a reasonable cost basis. They include:

- Skilled nursing facility services provided in swing beds
- On-call emergency room physicians not present on the premises, not otherwise furnishing physician services, and not on call or at any other facility.
- Ambulance services if the CAH is the only supplier of ambulance services within a 35-mile drive of the hospital
- Outpatient laboratory services"91

#### Lab Payments to Critical Access Hospitals

Reasonable cost reimbursement for outpation, laboratory tests was made retroactive to the passage of the Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999. Prior to the BBRA's passage, CAHs received cost-based reimbursement for outpatient laboratory services. However, a drafting error in BBRA changed the reimbursement methodology to the fee schedule. Additionally, **BIPA** restated that coinsurance, deductible, co-payment, or any other beneficiary cost sharing did not apply to clinical diagnostic laboratory services [emphasis added] furnished as an outpatient Critical Access Hospital service. <sup>92</sup>

Beginning in calendar year (CY) 2014, payment for most laboratory tests (except for molecular pathology tests) is packaged under the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS). The general rule for OPPS hospitals is laboratory tests should be reported on a 13x TOB. There are limited circumstances described below in which hospitals can separately bill for laboratory tests. For these specific situations the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) expanded the use of the 14x TOB to allow separate billing and payment at CLFS rates for hospital outpatient laboratory tests.

Molecular pathology described by CPT codes in the ranges of 81200 through 81383, 81400 through 81408, and 81479 are not packaged in the OPPS and should be billed on a 13X type of bill." <sup>93</sup>

For example, for the following molecular pathology tests:

81200 - ASPA (aspartoacylase) (e.g., Canavan disease) gene analysis, common variants (e.g., E285A, Y231X)

**81301 -** Microsatellite instability analysis (e.g., hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer, Lynch syndrome) of markers for mismatch repair deficiency (e.g., BAT25, BAT26), includes comparison of neoplastic and normal tissue

**81443** - Genetic testing for severe inherited conditions (panel), which bundles several CPT codes per 2019 guidelines. Definition of panel tests. Example modifiers:

- Reference (outside) laboratory: when laboratory procedures are performed by a party other than the treating or reporting physician, the procedure may be identified by adding modifier 90
- Distinct procedural service: under certain cycumstances, it may be necessary to indicate that a procedure or service was distinct or independent from other non-e/m services performed on the same day

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 23b - Dental Billing, ADA Policies and Guidelines

Prior expert work in billing disputes, alder abuse, provider biller and provider payer disputes, usual customary, reasonable charges, appropriate dental billing practices and coding including but not limited to:

<u>CDT</u>	<u>Description</u>
D0150	Comprehensive Oral Evaluation
D0210	Intraoral Complete Spries
D2750	Crown - porcelain fused to high noble metal
D2999	Unspecificate torative procedure, by report
D3320	Endodontic therapy, premolar tooth (excluding final restoration)
D3331	Treatment of root canal obstruction; non-surgical access In lieu of surgery.
D4341	Pedodontal scaling and root planning - four or more teeth per quadrant
D4999	Unspecified periodontal procedure, by report
D6240	Pontic - porcelain fused to high noble metal
D6750	Crown - Porcelain - High Noble metal
D7210	Surgery Extraction Erupted Tooth
D7953	Bone replacement graft for ridge preservation
D9210	Local anesthesia not in conjunction with operative or surgical procedures

D9310	Consultation - diagnostic service provided by dentist or physician other than requesting dentist or physician	
	requesting dentist of physician	
JP, JO	Qualifiers, (permanent or supernumerary dentition; entire oral cavity, mandibular arch,	
	etc.)	
Additiona	1 EDI 837D and ADA Claim Data:	
	1. Area of the Oral Cavity and the Tooth Anatomy code sets (Entire, maxillary, mandibular, quadrant)	
	2. Tooth surface (Mesial, occlusal, distal, incisal, lingual, buccal, facial / labial)	
	3. Tooth Number	
ADA Poli	cies regarding Ethics and practice compliance with ADA policies	
ADA Poli	cies regarding prior authorization and practice compliance with ADA policy	
Medicare	local coverage determinations / commercial policy - medical and dental procedure	

CV SUPPLEMENT 24 – Certified Compliance Officer Training, Certified Professional Medical Auditor Training (CPMA)

#### **Auditing Standards**

- 1. Audit methodologies and communicating audit results
- 2. Documentation of medically necessary care (and tocumentation by those who can determine a diagnosis, appropriateness of predical specialty to perform procedure, etc.)
- 3. Telehealth (virtual encounter by physician or ancillary staff, audio only, audio & video, patient portal use, specific telemedicine codes such as 99441 5-10 minutes, G2012 brief evaluation, 98966 510 minutes by ancillary staff, etc.)
- 4. Anesthesia, e.g., modifiers indicating personally performed by anesthesiologist (professional fee claim), CRNA (professional direction and supervision, monitoring, etc.
- 5. Surgery Auditing Guidelines, Surgery Documentation, modifiers, operative notes, deciphering operative notes
- 6. National Correct Coding Initiative and Unbundling Audits, EPSU Modifiers (Separate encounter, separate practitioner, separate structure, unusual, non-overlapping service) as alternative to Modifier 59
- 7. Integumentary System (measurement of lesions, method of removal e.g., biopsy, excision, shared, pathology results, malignant vs. benign, intermediate, and complex repair separately reported, Mohs Surgery, Repairs of lacerations)
- 8. Musculoskeletal E&M included in surgical procedure exploration and diagnosis as part of therapeutic procedure, global fees and included components such as application of cast, bills for supplies, separate billing of radiological services
- 9. Respiratory e.g., bronchoscopy procedures, endoscopy,

- 10. Cardiovascular, e.g., vascular family, 1<sup>st</sup> order, second order, third order catheterization in the vascular family, "Appendix L" selective versus non-selective catheters, central venous access, catheter placement, tunneled versus non-tunneled catheters, with and without port or pump, PICC, insertion vs. repair vs. replacement vs. removal
- 11. Gastrointestinal correct quadrant for abdominal pain, endoscopy procedures, hot forceps, snare, brushing removal techniques, hernias (location, type, strangulated, incarcerated, reducible, use of mesh, incisional vs. laparoscopic repair)
- 12. Genitourinary (genital and urinary) Documentation, e.g., male vs. female specific codes, MUEs, OB vs. Non-OB (GYN), result of delivery, successfully hysterectomy
- 13. Nervous System, e.g., specificity regarding approach technique for spine, brain, cervical thoracic, lumbar, pain levels as well as acute vs. chronic, V00-Y99 codes for causation (accidents),
- 14. Ophthalmological e.g., specialized evaluation and management codes (D20...)" modifiers for unilateral / bilateral or specified laterality, eyelide (E1...E4), type of extraction for cataracts, muscular for strabismus surgery<sup>94</sup>
- 15. Auditory, e.g., diagnosis for otitis media, use of laterality modifiers, general or local anesthesia
- 16. Radiology, and pathology, lab services, e.g., professional (pro fee, modifier 26), technical component ('tech fee') modifier unbundling checks, orders, location electronically stored, scanned, reads (CMS payments), over reads (radiology views films for quality rather than interpretation), payment to professional who performs the read / interpretation
- 17. Pathology and Laboratory e.g., qualitative (substance found), quantitative, how much of substance in documentation, organ or disease-oriented panels, "when only a portion of a test panel is performed, report each separately, rather than the panel." Specific challenges with lack of specificity in CPT codes where one genetic sequencing could be performed, or multiple genetic sequences could be performed that are associated with a single CPT code. Typical acceptable modifiers (91, repeat clinical diagnostic lab, multiple tests, same day, can patient; 90-reference laboratory; QQ waived CLIA status, e.g., waived tests QW not required to be provided by CLIA Lab); gross and microscopic examination of specimens for code ranges; Bill Type (TOB) 141, 147, non-patient referred tests, specimen collection, handling, conveyance;
- 18. Immunizations, e.g., Type of vaccination / immunization, injection /administration site, person administering, documentation of rout of admin, lot numbers.

- 19. Psychiatry, e.g., psychiatric diagnostic interview, with or without medical services, psychotherapy face to face time minutes, MD / DO / NP guidelines on prescriptions ("drug management" or "medical management")
- 20. Infusions, e.g., hydration, therapeutic, chemotherapy, local anesthesia, IV start and stop, access to catheter or port, flush, standard tubing, syringes, and supplies, drugs administered at the time they start infusion or injection, hydration, therapeutic, prophylactic, diagnostic injections, administration technique e.g., Push, infusion, injection.
- 21. Physical Therapy, e.g., documentation of total treatment time, or beginning and end time
- 22. Evaluation and management coding, e.g., documentation of patient condition and complexity medical decision making and additional complexity medical decision making and additional condition and additional conditional co
- 23. impact of electronic health records on medical documentation,
- 24. 1995 (focus on number of elements of exam) and 1997 (number of elements and 'bullets' completed) guidelines;
- 25. unit of time attained when mid-point is passed.
- 26. distinct procedures performed during time-based service (e.g., CPR during critical care),
- 27. the time spent performing should not be included in time-based service.
- 28. Date of service as start date, midnight spanning &M,
- 29. E&M levels, (a) History, Exam Medical Decision Making, and (b) nature of presenting problem, counseling, coordination of care, time, extended HPI (with at least four elements, i.e., quality, location, duration, context, modifying factors and severity, associated signs and symptoms.
- 30. Subjective, Review of system (ROS, i.e., Constitutional, eyes, ear/nose/mouth/throat, cardiovascular, respiratory, gastrointestinal, genitourinary, musculoskeletal, integumentary, feurological, psychiatric, endocrine, hematologic/lymphatic, allergic/immunologic), past family social history (PFHS, Inc. current medications, past surgeries and illnesses/injuries, family events such as hereditary). Documentation of organ systems (8)
- 31. Minimum of 8 (eight) organ systems must be documented to qualify for comprehensive. 1997 general multi-system and single organ

#### OIG compliance guidance

Corporate Integrity Agreements, (CIAs) and Certification of Compliance Agreements (CCAs)

- <u>Supplemental Compliance Program Guidance for Nursing Facilities</u> (73 Fed. Reg. 56832;
   September 30, 2008)
- <u>Compliance Program Guidance for Nursing Facilities</u> (65 Fed. Reg. 14289; March 16, 2000)
- <u>Draft Compliance Program Guidance for Recipients of PHS Research Awards</u> (70 Fed. Reg. 71312; November 28, 2005)
- NSTC Launches Government-Wide Initiative Based on OIG Draft Guidance for HHS Research Grants (June 7, 2006)
- Supplemental Compliance Program Guidance for Hospitals (70 Fed. Reg. 4858; January 31, 2005)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Hospitals (63 Fed. Reg. 8987; February 23, 1998)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (68 Fed. Reg. 23/31; May 5, 2003)
- <u>Compliance Program Guidance for Ambulance Suppliers</u> (68 Fed. Reg. 14245; March 24, 2003)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Individual and Shair Group Physician Practices (65 Fed. Reg. 59434; October 5, 2000)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Medical + Choice Organizations (64 Fed. Reg. 61893;
   November 15, 1999)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Pospices (&Fed. Reg. 54031; October 5, 1999)
- Compliance Program Guidance for the Durvole Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supply Industry (64 Fed. Reg. 36308; July 6, 1999)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Third-Party Medical Billing Companies (63 Fed. Reg. 70138; December 18, 1990)
- Compliance Program Guidance for Clinical Laboratories (63 Fed. Reg. 45076; August 24, 1998)
- <u>Compliance Program Guidance for Home Health Agencies</u> (63 Fed. Reg. 42410; August 7, 1998)
- IG Remarks
- Compliance Program Guidance for Hospitals (63 Fed. Reg. 8987; February 23, 1998)
- <u>Supplemental Compliance Program Guidance for Hospitals</u> (70 Fed. Reg. 4858; January 31, 2005)

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 25 - Blockchain Technologies

Trained in crypto economics and blockchain, smart contracts, 95 distributed ledgers, 96 non-fungible tokens (NFTs), 97 fungible tokens, privacy, Merckle Trees, 98

case studies to explore the keys for diligence and valuation methods for initial coin offering (ICO) investments; acceptance or rejection of investor risk based on whether defined markets, cost benefit and uses cases have been determined by management.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology. See blockchain verified certificate <a href="https://mitsloan.credential.getsmarter.com/3ec1d3de-243a-4c@-ad32-bbe1111de1cb">https://mitsloan.credential.getsmarter.com/3ec1d3de-243a-4c@-ad32-bbe1111de1cb</a>

#### CV SUPPLEMENT 26 - Corporate Governance and Regulatory Compliance

Employment Experience in Corporate Governance and Regulatory Compliance Roles

- A. March, 2022 to Present Member of the Board of Directors for publicly traded MSP Recovery, Trading as LifeWallet (LIFW).
  - 1. Chair, Compensation Committee
  - 2. Member of the Audit Committee (deemed as a "financial expert" in SEC disclosures under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934)
    - a. Review and oversight of Company compliance with Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) regulations and guidelines,
    - b. Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB) guidelines instantiated with the enactment of the Sarbanes Oxley Act ("SOX")
    - c. Review and approval of all relevant public filing documents and disclosures
    - d. Review of inside and outside counsel recommendations
    - e. Review of inside and independent auditors reviews (Deloitte)

- 3. Member, Special Committee
- 4. Chair, Cybersecurity Subcommittee

## B. October 2003 to February 2007 - First American Financial (FAF) a Fortune 500 data and real-estate transaction company with over \$6 billion in Revenue /CoreLogic

- Led Sarbanes Oxley internal IT audit of all material systems, application controls and general controls
- 2. Led oversight of remediation efforts for loan origination and title systems and processes for top two title insurance company in the U.S.

#### C. Fidelity / Fidelity National Financial / Fidelity National Information Systems

- 1. Led re-engineering systems and processes for all appraisal systems nation-wide in compliance with Standards for "federally related transactions" and "...he importance of the independence of an institution's appraisal and evaluation program from influence by the loan [origination and] production process.
  - a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury (OCC);
  - b. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB);
  - c. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC);
  - d. Office of Thrift Supervision, Treasury (OTS); and
  - e. National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> inferential statistics (one of the war main branches of statistics. Inferential statistics use a random sample of data taken from a population to describe and make inferences about the population)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> principles of computer science and programming in five languages (BASIC, compiled UCSD Pascal, FORTRAN, LISP, COROL, the impact of computers on society), 1978 (transferred to U.S.C. to complete undergraduate work).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Clinical Bioethics and Risk Management, certificate, 2018. Ethical, legal, technological issues in medicine: genetics, privacy, opioids for pain management, patient autonomy, access to information for informed decisions, healthcare rationing, distributive justice, human rights in health, public reporting of outcomes. Can AI Accelerate Precision Medicine? 2019. Values, privacy & prediction in individualized<sup>3</sup> treatments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> I found that most of the healthcare rationing doctrine focused on ensuring the poor and improving access to care, and that if these were not done then the only other solution was removing waste based on the assumption that we have a fixed budget to work with. What was not included in academic treatises a recognition that it is also imperative to detect and reduce fraud to free up resources to deliver medical care to those who need it.

<sup>5</sup> principles of distributive justice: (1) to each person an equal share, (2) to each according to need, (3) to each according to effort, (4) to each according to free market conditions, (5) to each so as to maximize overall usefulness. Rousseau's writings principally explore routes to achieving and protecting freedom: the first is a political one aimed at constructing political institutions that allow for the co-existence of free and equal citizens in a community where they themselves are sovereign; the second is a project for child development and education that fosters autonomy and avoids the development of the most destructive forms of self-interest. However, though Rousseau believes the co-existence of human beings in relations of equality and freedom is possible, he is consistently and overwhelmingly pessimistic that humanity will escape from a dystopia of alienation, oppression, and unfreedom. Kant wrote that human beings are equals under and through the moral law. All share the dignity of humanity. All are ends in themselves. All are owed respect; none may be subject to others' arrogance or contempt. But Kant also says that human beings attain personal worth through fulfillment of the moral law. A morally good person has an inner worth lacking in others. Those whom we regard as morally good elicit our respect; we attribute dignity to them because of their morality.

Research regarding rights violations and how they negatively affect access to health services and supported implementation. (See An Assessment of Human Rights-Based Approaches to Health Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices Among Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Locally Employed Staff). The World Health Organization (WHO) posits that human rights standards and principles—such as participation, accountability, equality and non-discrimination—can be integrated into all aspects of public health practice, including assessment and analysis, priority setting, program planning and design, implementation, and monitoring and evaluation. (See WHO, A human rights based approach to health. Available at <a href="https://www.who.int/hhr/news/hrba">https://www.who.int/hhr/news/hrba</a> to health polf ()

<sup>7</sup> "Despite the common sense appeal of increasing quality transparency, the macro level data suggest that the reality of public reporting initiatives has fallen short of the promise. For example, several empirical studies show that the launch of Hospital Compare website and other efforts to increase quality transparency have not resulted in tangible improvements in outcomes (see, e.g., Ryan et al. (2012), DeVore et al. (2012), Smith et al. (2012), Fung et al. (2008) and Hibbard (2008)). The simplest explanation for this is that the reality of public reporting has not yet equality up with the promise, empirical studies such as Dranove et al. (2003) and Dranove and Sfekas (2008) have found evidence that patients do respond to quality information of the type provided through public reporting initiatives..." "...the calibration of our model with CMS data suggests a quality transparency level of about 53% in 2008..." (See Can Public Reporting Cure Healthcare?

The Role of Quality Transparency in Improving Patient-Provider Alignment). I noted that these treatises ignored state and federal laws that require reporting of some conditions or outcomes such as infectious disease or adverse events.

<sup>8</sup> "Over 22 million patients in the U.S. live with rare genetic diseases for which there are no FDA-approved treatments. Over 3.5 million of these patients are children who will die before the age of five. While genome sequencing can help diagnose these patients, it is far too long and costly to develop treatments for their orphan

diseases through usual forms of scientific and pharmaceutical investment. Case studies discuss the scientific and ethical challenges facing single-patient (N=1) trials, as well as the opportunities presented by this entrée into what may be termed "hyper-personalized medicine."

- <sup>9</sup> Trauma, Self-Medication, description of co-morbidities and data in population health Integrating Pharmacotherapy and Behavioral Therapy in Treating Patients with Substance Use Disorders; Hub & Spoke Buprenorphine; Brain Science behind Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE's): The Increased Risk for Substance Use and the Path to Resiliency
- Although the name "health informatics" only came into use in about 1973 (Protti 1995), it is a study that is as old as healthcare itself. It was born the day that a clinician first wrote down some impressions about a patient's illness and used these to learn how to treat their next patient. The world is aging and there are increasing numbers of people with chronic disease; it is recognized that the only sustainable option is planning and delivery of healthcare through technological innovation. Biomedical Informatics seeks to discent the difference between data, information, knowledge, and wisdom by increasing sharing and comprehension. Professor Enrico Coiera of the Macquarie University argues that health informatics is the logic of healthcare. Dr. Mark Musen, MD PhD (Professor, Medicine Biomedical Informatics Pescarch at Stanford), points out that digital information has made knowledge infinitely larger for clinicians and they are now in a knowledge management crisis: getting the right information at the right time is the chalkange. Stanford Tuition Record available.
- <sup>11</sup> Focus: modeling biomedical systems, data, knowledge processing in biomedicine, controlled terminologies, knowledge representation, rule-based systems, description logic, (components of 'Artificial Intelligence in medicine,') building systems with ontologies and problem-solving methods, BIOMEDIN 210 course. Locating and using medical information in a digital age, May 2013: Curating digital health care information non-technical data sources, evidence-based practice cycles for clinical decisions, PICO framework, certificate, 2019.
- <sup>12</sup> Computational manipulation of knowledge is an important, and often under-appreciated, aspect of biomedical Data Science. The first Data Science initiative from the US National Institutes of Health was entitled "Big Data to Knowledge (BD2K)." The main emphasis of the more than \$200M allocated to that program has been on "Big Data," the "Knowledge" component has largely been the implicit assumption that the work will lead to rew biomedical knowledge. However, there is long-standing and highly productive work in computational knowledge representation and reasoning, and computational processing of knowledge has a role in the world of Data Science. Knowledge-based biomedical Data Science involves the design and implementation of computer systems that act as if they knew about biomedicine. See NLM Knowledge based biomedical data science. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6171523/
- <sup>13</sup> Examples included methods to use controlled terminology that "…enhances the process of identifying patients who are potentially eligible for clinical trials of experimental therapies in a clinic that is limited by the existence of a singular clinical trial coordinator. Effective implementation of such a system requires the development of a meaningful controlled medical terminology that satisfies the needs of a diverse community of providers all of who contribute to the health care process…" <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/8591141">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/8591141</a>

<sup>15</sup> Much of the Stanford faculty's treatises compare knowledge reuse to software code reuse. Ontology examples were presented for web search engines, etc. (see Modern Architectures for Intelligent Systems: Reusable Ontologies and Problem-Solving Methods),

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2232188/pdf/procamiasymp00005-0083.pdf however the complexity of mapping codes, for example such as ICD-10 CM or ICD-10 PCS to meaning is much more challenging.

- <sup>16</sup> MedlinePlus in contrast to National Library of Medicine, Google Scholar and PubMed
- <sup>17</sup> Course at test administered via Stanford University School of Medicine; certificate. The PICO process (or framework) is a mnemonic used in evidence based practice (and specifically Evidence Based Medicine) to frame and answer a clinical or health care related question. The PICO framework is also used to develop literature search strategies, for instance in systematic reviews. The PICO acronym stands for
  - P Patient, Problem or Population
  - I Intervention
  - C Comparison, control or comparator
  - O Outcome(s) (e.g., pain, fatigue, nusea, infections, death)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Logic and Artificial Intelligence Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy. https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/logic-ai/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Approximately 35 hours of classroom time, office hours discussions and case studies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Source: Rubin, Naik, Subramanian. Merkelized Abstract Syntax Trees. "Merkle trees are data structures that can be used to efficiently verify the integrity of the data they store." See <a href="https://www.mit.edu/~jlrubin/public/pdfs/558/eport.pdf">https://www.mit.edu/~jlrubin/public/pdfs/558/eport.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Merkle tree is a data structure that saised in computer science applications. In bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies, Merkle trees serve to encode blocker in data more efficiently and securely.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> A popular approach to decentralize a blockchain requires *miners* to elongate the longest chain via proof-of-work. This requires a lot of computational effort from the miners, which ultimately translates into high energy consumption and very high translation costs. Discussions regarding trust, committees, and governance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Certificate can be verified here: <a href="https://mitsloan.credential.getsmarter.com/3ec1d3de-243a-4c99-ad32-bbe1d11de1de">https://mitsloan.credential.getsmarter.com/3ec1d3de-243a-4c99-ad32-bbe1d11de1de</a> Course focus (1) Crypto economics, and crypto assets, e.g., the study investment criteria, ways to create viable business models in blockchain, defensible differentiation areas, creation of intellectual property vs. open source unprotected innovation, initial coin offerings (ICOs), securities regulations and standards such as the Howey test, network bootstrap methods, building incentives using tokens, cost of identity verification, cost of networking, private blockchain networks, edge of network security, privacy and security concerns of shared ledgers, trusted governance running on the internet, last mile problems and solution research to solve the last mile problem; self-sovereign identity (SSI), and non-fungible tokens (NFTs). (2) Technology considerations, e.g., (e.g.,

cryptography, mining and cost of mining coins, token engineering, shared ledgers, differences between bitcoin and Ethereum)

- <sup>23</sup> "The honorable Algenon L. Marbley, United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, sitting by designation."
- <sup>24</sup> Information provided by retaining counsel and based on a transcript of the judges remarks. I have not been provided with the ruling at the time that this ruling was added to my C.V. on July 14, 2022. The transcript of the judges remarks provides, "as to whether the report itself is deficient under Rule 16, I find that it is sufficient, and, therefore, I'm denying the government's motion for additional expert disclosure regarding defense expert Arrigo"
- <sup>25</sup> Technically, Granted in Part, Denied in part. See C.V. end notes. Partial grant of motion was not due to expert qualifications but based on procedural issues and the Court's determination of what was admissible.
- <sup>26</sup> Technically, based on procedural circumstances, the Motion was granted in part, denied in part, based on procedural grounds, not the expertise or methods of the Expert (in that Judge Lew's ruling parmitted Arrigo to give testimony and found that his specialized knowledge and methodology were sound, but precluded Arrigo from stating how many hours a physician might have spent performing specific procedures). "Relator fails to allege in the Amended Complaint that Dr. Khossoussi was unable to work the time he billed to Medicare. Further, Dr. Khossoussi argues that Mr. Arrigo's opinions regarding the possibility of Dr. Khossoussi working

Further, Dr. Khossoussi argues that Mr. Arrigo's opinions regarding the possibility of Dr. Khossoussi working the time he billed are unfounded and irrelevant to Relator's remaining claims. Because Relator has failed to offer any opposition to these arguments, any opposition is vaived."

<sup>27</sup> The State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCMIP) is designed to provide insurance coverage for children whose families earn too much to qualify for Medicaid, but who cannot afford private coverage. Unlike Medicaid, funding for SCHIP is capped and both spending and the number of children covered by the program are much less than Medicaid. Much like Medicaid, each state is given the freedom to determine the design of its CHIP program, including eligibility groups benefit packages, payment levels for coverage, and administrative and operating procedures. More information on individual state plans is available on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Web site. See also

https://www.asha.org/practice/rein/bursement/medicaid/SCHIP/#:~:text=The%20State%20Children's%20Healt h%20Insurance,who%20camot%20afford%20private%20coverage. States may have varying eligibility rules, but in most states, uniqualed children under the age of 19 whose families earn up to \$36,200 a year (for a family of four) are eligible. SCHIP provides coverage for:

- doctor visits
- immunizations
- hospitalizations
- emergency room visits

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> See CMS Mandatory Insurer Reporting (NGHP) <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coordination-of-Benefits-and-Recovery/Mandatory-Insurer-Reporting-For-Non-Group-Health-Plans/Overview">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coordination-of-Benefits-and-Recovery/Mandatory-Insurer-Reporting-For-Non-Group-Health-Plans/Overview</a>

- <sup>30</sup> Denied subject to voir dire. Opposing counsel never called their expert after Arrigo's deposition testimony stating that Defendant's expert methods were flawed. Therefore, Arrigo not called as he was designated as a rebuttal expert to Defendant's expert and there was no voir dire. The case was settled before trial.
- As explained by retaining counsel who was present for the hearing on motions to exclude: With regard to the motions to exclude, the Judge denied the motion to bar Arrigo's report/testimony. Concerning the amended reports, the Judge ruled it would be unfair to allow plaintiff (opposing party to Arrigo's retention) to revise his report to add another category of damages and another year of historical collection rates after the DED. So their amended report was stricken. In the interest of fairness the Judge struck Arrigo Samended expert report but allowed his original December 2018 report, and said that Arrigo can testify as to any supplemental information or stylistic-type amendments. But he did not believe Arrigo needed an amended report to do that. While we don't agree with the holding, it is a good development as plaintiff cannot increase damage calculation, or introduce 2011 historical collection rates
- <sup>32</sup> A sixth opinion regarding a physician named as a Defendant recanted his earlier statements was precluded but the reason stated is that both litigants stipulated to this as a fact.
- <sup>33</sup> According to the SEC, ""Related Party Transaction" means any transaction, arrangement or relationship, or any series of similar transactions, arrangements or relationships, in which (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries is or will be a participant, and (ii) any Related Party has or will have a direct or indirect interest. See

https://www.sec.gov/Archives@lgar/data/1437517/000101054917000418/ex142.htm#:~:text=%22Rel ated%20Party%20Transaction%22%20means%20any,a%20direct%20or%20indirect%20interest

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> The Court permitted Arrigo to give testimony. GRANTED prosecution's motion only pertaining to preclude testimony Arrigo may give regarding state of mind, or billing error rates, GRANTED production of non-privileged documents and DENIED production of privileged documents. "The Court notes that although Arrigo may not use the CMS guidance to provide a definition of fraud, Arrigo may refer to the CMS guidance to discuss the CMS's targeting of Belcher."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> A centimorgan (abereviated cM) is a unit of measure for the frequency of genetic recombination. One centimorgan is equal to a 1% chance that two markers on a chromosome will become separated from one another due to a recombination event during meiosis (which occurs during the formation of egg and sperm cells). On average, one centimorgan corresponds to roughly 1 million base pairs in the human genome. (Source: National Human Genome Research Institute, genome.gov)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Course and test administered via **National Alliance of Medical Auditing Specialists** (NAMAS), certificate, received only after completing 16.25 hours of instruction with tests.

- <sup>40</sup> Joint Commission Content, course and test administered via HIPAAExams; certificate. 2018; re-cert 5/18/2
- <sup>41</sup> Certified Ambulance Documentation Specialist (CADS) National Academy of Ambulance Compliance. On site, Washington State, one day program with test.
- <sup>42</sup> Course and test administered via American Association of Post Acute Care Nursing (ANAC) update of The Resident Assessment Instrument/Minimum Data Set (RAI/MDS) is a comprehensive assessment and care planning process used by the nursing home industry since 1990 as a requirement for nursing home participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs; certificate
- <sup>43</sup> Course and test administered via Medicare Administrative Contractor First Coast
- <sup>44</sup> Course and test administered via American Society for Clinical Pathology; 9/19/2021; certificate
- <sup>45</sup> Course and test administered via American Society of Addiction Medicine
- <sup>46</sup> Federal Standards for IDTFs including § 410.33 Independent diagnostic testing facility physician fee schedule, place of service (e.g., technical component and professional components), supervising physician, non-physician personnel, ordering of tests, multi-state entities, application certification Standards. February, 2022; CEU certificate.
- <sup>47</sup> First portion Nov '19; second portion post pandemic resumed December '21
- <sup>48</sup> American Society for Clinical Pathology; 9/19/2021
- <sup>49</sup> IQ stands for Installation Qualification OQ is Operational Qualification and PQ is Performance Oualification
- <sup>50</sup> In a standard Exercady format, a respondent is first shown an exemplar, (Context can convey information that consumers use in making source determinations. With point of purchase surveys, therefore, "the closer the survey context comes to marketplace conditions, the greater the evidentiary weight it has," McCarthy, 3, § 32:163, which often requires displaying actual products, packaging and other source indicia that consumers would encounter at the point of sale), and a photograph or advertisement of defendant's branded product (With post-sale confusion, context (adjacent competitive products, signage, etc.) is irrelevant and would give the respondent information not typically available in a post-sale encounter. See Gateway, Inc. v. Companion Prods., Inc., 68

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Course and test administered via HIPAAExams Included but not limited to Healthcare Fraud Statute, False Claims Act (FCA), Anti-Kickback Statute (AKS), Stark Law, Civil Monetary Penalties Law (CMPL), Exclusion Statute; certificate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Course and test administered via HIPAAExams

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> In person; RISE Health conference, Carlsbad CA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Course and test administered via California Ambulatory Surgery Association; 5 CEUs; Medical Staff Bylaws, The Credentialing Process and Common Pitfalls, Managing the Compromised Physician; Fair Hearing, 805 Reporting and Consequences, Medical Director Roles and Responsibilities.

U.S.P.Q.2d 1407, 1420 (D.S.D. 2007) ("Post-sale confusion is particularly relevant in this case because . . . [a]fter Cody Cow is purchased, the point of sale materials are removed by the purchaser, and [have] no 'confusion obviating effect'"). Accordingly, photographs or videos that fairly reproduce what a respondent would see post sale may be easier to control (and afford greater certainty as to what respondents see) than actual displays that a field service may fail faithfully to execute in a shopping center interviewing booth. See Hermès Int'l v. Lederer de Paris Fifth Ave. Inc., 50 F. Supp. 2d 212, 222 (S.D.N.Y. 1999) approving a post sale stimulus showing a "Kelly bag (as carried by a woman walking at a distance of four feet)."

<sup>51</sup> Transitions of Care (TOC) are is embodied in both the ARRA HITECH Act of 2009 from technology implementation standpoint in Core Objective in Meaningful Use Stage 2 (see https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/resources/transitions of care too.ldf) and Admit Discharge Transfer (ADT, see <a href="https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/orc-beacon-lg1-adt-alerts-">https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/orc-beacon-lg1-adt-alerts-</a> for-toc-and-care-coord.pdf), but in Joint Commission Standards of policies and procedures. For example, "PC.02.02.01 During transitions of care, there must be a process in place to ensure coordination of care among care providers – also referred to as "band off communication". The following requirements are found in the Provision of Care (N) chapter of the accreditation manual: PC.02.02.01 EP 1 states "The hospital has a process to receive or share patient information when the patient is referred to other internal or external providers of care, treatment, and services" and PC.02.02.01 EP 2 states "The hospital's process for hand-off communication provides for the opportunity for discussion between the giver and receiver of patient information. Note: Such information may include the patient's condition, care, treatment, medications, services, and any recent or anticipated changes to any of these." "Conducting a risk assessment allows organizations to identify risk points associated in these processes, and to ensure that such processes do not include any summary (blanket) orders for resuming medication (see MM.04.01.01 EP 8). A proactive risk assessment (sometimes referred to as an FMEA) examines a process in detail, including sequencing of events, actual and potential risks, and failure or points of vulnerability. Risk points are then prioritized through a logical process, then process improvements - based on the actual or potential impact (that is, criticality) on quality and safety – are implemented to reduce or eliminate risk. The introductory section of the Leadership (LD) chapter provides an example of a pro-active risk assessment model that an organization may use. However, this specific approach is not mandated as there are other risk assessment tools available that may better meet the needs of the organization."

<sup>52</sup> HHS Guidance. "A <u>covered entity</u> that qualifies as a hybrid entity, meaning that the entity is a single legal entity that performs both covered and non-covered functions, may choose whether it

wants to be a hybrid entity. If such a covered entity decides not to be a hybrid entity then it, and all of its components, are subject to the Privacy Rule in its entirety. Therefore, if a researcher is an employee or workforce member of a covered entity that has decided not to be a hybrid entity, the researcher is part of the covered entity and is, therefore, subject to the Privacy Rule. "

<a href="https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/faq/315/when-does-a-covered-entity-have-discretion-to-determine-covered-functions/index.html">https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/faq/315/when-does-a-covered-entity-have-discretion-to-determine-covered-functions/index.html</a>

<sup>67</sup> According to ASCP: Evocative or suppression agents are administered by a physician and codes are used to report the

laboratory component of the overall testing protocol, e.g., 80400 ACTH stimulation panel; for adrenal sufficiency. The panel must include Cortisol.

<sup>68</sup> According to ASCP: 80500 – 80502 Clinical pathology consultation rendered by a pathologist in response to a

Training delivered by MD, board-certified orthopedic surgeon, and AHIMA-certified trainer who advised CMS in all 50 States; AHIMA-certified inpatient coder and chart auditor, AAPC-certified outpatient coder, and chart auditor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Used in Medicare Part C (Medicare Advantage "MAO"), Accountable Care (ACO) organizations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Training delivered by MD, board-certified orthopedic surgeon who advised CMS in all 0 States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Training delivered by Radiology Certified Coder (RCC), Certified Interventional Radiology Cardiovascular Coder (CIRCC), and Certified Professional Coder (CPC) credentialed instructor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> Training delivered by National Association of Rehabilitation Providers (NARP) trainer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Health Care Incentives Improvement Institute, HCSi

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> Health Care Incentives Improvement Institute PCY.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> Pertaining to, or composed of, an integument such as class. Source: Dorland's Medical Dictionary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) Certified Professional Coder (CPC) curriculum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Non-Covered Services provider education — Nondian Healthcare Services, LLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> According to ASCP: Identifies possible se or non-use of drug; Any specimen type; urine, blood, oral fluid

<sup>65</sup> According to ASCP: Qualitative or quantitative: identifies possible use or non-use of a specific drug and metabolites; Any specimen type; urine, blood, oral fluid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> According to ASCP. Quantitative: Specimen typically is whole blood, serum, plasma, cerebrospinal fluid

physician request; Requirements: Requested by the patient's attending physician; Must relate to a test result that lies outside clinically significant norm or expected range; Requires medical interpretation by the pathologist; Written report must be provided for the patient's medical record

- <sup>69</sup> According to ASCP: 81000 81099 including Clinical testing of urine constituents with coding dependent on testing method (Automated vs non automated; with or without microscopy); includes test codes for urine pregnancy, specific analyte, and total volume measurement
- <sup>70</sup> According to ASCP: 81105 81479 (four sections involving analysis of nucleic acid (DNA, RNA) to detect variants in genes that may indicate: Germline condition constitutional disorder; Somatic condition neoplasia; Histocompatibility antigens. Based on specific gene(s) being analyzed and includes all analytic services (e.g., cell lysis, nucleic acid stabilization, extraction); all analyses are qualitative unless otherwise noted; Tier 1, Tier 2, genomic sequencing; multianalyte assay by algorithmic analysis (MAAAs analyze multiple biomarkers using proprietar algorithm to generate risk score). Example: 81301 Microsatellite instability analysis (e.g., hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer, Lynch syndrome) of markers for mismatch repair deficiency (e.g., BAT25, BAT26), includes comparison of neoplastic and normal tissue, if performed
- <sup>71</sup> According to ASCP: Specimen may be any source unless stipulated in code descriptor 84165 Protein; electrophoretic fractionation and quantitation, serum, 84166 electrophoretic fractionation and quantitation, other fluids with concentration (e.g., urine, CSF)
- <sup>72</sup> According to ASCP: 85002 85999 Hematology codes (85004 85049) describe variations of specific component(s) and methodology(s) used to obtain measurements of component parts of a complete blood count (CBC); Red blood cell count (RBC); White blood cell count (WBC); Hemoglobin (Hgb) Coagulation codes (85130 85999 describe variations of specific component(s) and methodology used to measure blood clotting abilities; Clotting factors, such as factor 7; Clotting inhibitors; Heparin assay
- <sup>73</sup> According to ASCP 80000 86804 Immunology tests the components of the immune system whether immunity from disease, the immune response (allergy), or the development of antibodies to oneself (autoimmune) Allergen specific tests, such as cat dander, oak pollen, or dust mites; Antibody-specific tests; Exposure to certain disease, such influenza, mumps, or rubella
- <sup>74</sup> According to ASCP: 86805 86999, Procedures for testing blood antigens and antibodies for blood transfusions during/after surgery or for testing mother/baby compatibility; procedure codes for infusion of blood products such as fresh frozen plasma, platelets, white cells and red cells
- <sup>75</sup> According to ASCP: 87003 87999 Presumptive testing is the identification of colony morphology, growth on selective media, Gram stains or up to 3 tests (e.g., catalase, oxidase, indole); Definitive

testing is the ID of genus or species that requires tests (e.g., biochemical panel. If additional studies to ID the organism involve the use of molecular probes, nucleic acid sequencing or immunologic techniques, codes 87140 - 87158 should be used. Molecular diagnostic codes 81105 to 81408 are not to be used in combination with or instead of the procedures represented by codes 87140 - 87158. <sup>76</sup> According to ASCP: 88104-88199 - Use of specialist diagnostic techniques to examine individual cells extracted from tissues to determine the cause and nature of a disease; Codes are separated by procedures: Cervical or vaginal cytopathology- 88141, 88155,88164-88167,88174-88175; Cytopathology of fluids, washings, and brushings - 88104-88121; Cytopathology of fine need 10 aspirates - 88172-88177; Flow cytometry - a technique used to analyze the physical and chemical characteristics of particles (cells) in a fluid as it passes through at least one laser; 88162, 88189 <sup>77</sup> According to ASCP: 88230 – 88299 The study of how chromosomes relate to cell behavior; Samples include tissue, blood, and bone marrow; Cells are grown in the lab of look for changes in chromosomes, including broken, missing, or extra chromosomes, Changes in certain chromosomes may be a sign of a genetic disease or condition or some type of cancer. May help diagnose a disease or condition, plan treatment, or find out how well treatment is working <sup>78</sup> According to ASCP: 88300 – 88399 Gross and microscopic (G&M) examination of specimens for abnormalities - 88300-88309 Specimen's defined as tissue or tissues that is/are submitted for individual and separate attention, requiring individual examination and pathologic diagnosis 88300 " ... is used for any specimen that in the opinion of the examining pathologist can be accurately diagnosed without microscopic examination" 88302 " ... is used when [G&M] examination is performed to confirm identification and absence of disease" 88304 - 88309 "describe all other specimens requiring [G&M] and represent additional levels of physical work" Ancillary services - 88311-88388 Special stains; intraoperative consultations <sup>79</sup> According to ASCP: \$8720 – 88749 Transcutaneous procedures – measures analyte through the skin rather than using blood specimen; Used mostly for fetal monitoring; Bilirubin; Hemoglobin; Carboxyhemoglebin – Measurement of carbon monoxide; Methemoglobin - Abnormal form of oxygenated temoglobin that cannot deliver oxygen to the tissues

<sup>80</sup> Blue Cross Blue Shiled of Michigan How do Drug Tiers Work? Page Last Updated Thu Aug 09 16:23:33 EDT 2018 / Y0074\_Jul19BCBSMBCNWeb CMS Accepted 07062019. See

 $\underline{https://www.bcbsm.com/medicare/help/understanding-plans/pharmacy-prescription-drugs/tiers.html}$ 

https://client.formularynavigator.com/Search.aspx?siteCode=5972287365&targetScreen=3&drugBrandListBaseKey=gocovri%2B137%2Bmg%2Bcapsule%252cextended%2Brelease

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Formulary Navigator

The structure of the CLIA number follows:

Positions 1 and 2 contain the State code (based on the laboratory's physical location at time of registration);

Position 3 contains the letter "D"; and

Positions 4-10 contain the unique CLIA system assigned number than dentifies the laboratory.

(No other laboratory in the country has this number)

Initially, providers are issued a CLIA number when they apply to the CLIA program.

<sup>86</sup> CLIA Program and HIPAA Privacy Rule; Patients' Access to Fest Reports Final Rule, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), HHS; Office for Civil Rights (OCR), HHS.

<sup>87</sup> CLIA Program and HIPAA Privacy Rule; Patients' Access to Test Reports Final Rule, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HUS; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), HHS; Office for Civil Rights (OCR), HHS At "IV. Provisions of the Final Regulations"

<sup>88</sup> HIPAA Privacy Rule at § 164.524(c)(3)(ii). Subject to certain conforming amendments, this final rule retains the CLIA regulatory provision that requires the release of test reports only to authorized persons, to the persons responsible for using the test reports, and to the laboratory that initially requested the test.

#### 89 §493.15 Laboratories performing waived tests.

- (a) Requirement. Tests for certificate of waiver must meet the descriptive criteria specified in paragraph to of this section.
- (b) Criteria. Test systems are simple laboratory examinations and procedures which—
  - (1) Are cleared by FDA for home use;
  - (2) Employ methodologies that are so simple and accurate as to render the likelihood of erroneous results negligible; or
  - (3) Pose no reasonable risk of harm to the patient if the test is performed incorrectly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> David L. Schwartz, Explaining the Demise of the Doctrine of Equivalents, 26 Berkeley Tech. L.J. 1157 (2011). Available at: h p://scholarship.law.berkeley.edu/btlj/vol26/iss2/6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup> John R. Thomas, Claim Re-Construction: The Doctrine of Equivalents in the Post-Markman Era Georgetown University Law Center

<sup>84 &</sup>lt;a href="https://med.noridianmedicare.com/web/jeb/specialties/asc">https://med.noridianmedicare.com/web/jeb/specialties/asc</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> Medicare Claims Processing Manual Chapter 16 - Laboratory Services (Rev. 4299, 05-03-19) 70.4 - CLIA Numbers (Rev. 1, 10-01-03) A3-3628.2.D

- (c) Certificate of waiver tests. A laboratory may qualify for a certificate of waiver under section 353 of the PHS Act if it restricts the tests that it performs to one or more of the following tests or examinations (or additional tests added to this list as provided under paragraph (d) of this section) and no others:
- (1) Dipstick or Tablet Reagent Urinalysis (non-automated) for the following:
  - (i) Bilirubin;
  - (ii) Glucose;
  - (iii) Hemoglobin;
  - (iv) Ketone;
  - (v) Leukocytes;
  - (vi) Nitrite;
  - (vii) pH;
  - (viii) Protein;
  - (ix) Specific gravity; and
  - (x) Urobilinogen.
- (2) Fecal occult blood-non-automated;
- KIDA DISCLOSURK Zirka Dischosurk (3) Ovulation tests—visual color comparison tests for human luterizing hormone;
- (4) Urine pregnancy tests—visual color comparison
- (5) Erythrocyte sedimentation rate—non-automated;
- (6) Hemoglobin—copper sulfate—non-automated:
- (7) Blood glucose by glucose monitoring devices deared by the FDA specifically for home use;
- (8) Spun microhematocrit; and
- (9) Hemoglobin by single analyte instruments with self-contained or component features to perform specimen/reagent interaction, providing direct measurement and readout.
- (d) Revisions to criteria for test caregorization and the list of waived tests. HHS will determine whether a laboratory test meets the criteria listed under paragraph (b) of this section for a waived test. Revisions to the list of waived tests approved y HHS will be published in the Federal Register in a notice with opportunity for comment.
- (e) Laboratories eligible for a certificate of waiver must—
  - (1) Follow manufacturers' instructions for performing the test; and
  - (2) Meet the requirements in subpart B, Certificate of Waiver, of this part.

[57 FR 7139, Feb. 28, 1992, as amended at 58 FR 5221, Jan. 19, 1993; 82 FR 48773, Oct. 20, 2017] <sup>90</sup> §493.801 Provides specific requirement to enroll in the CLIA Program:

"Condition: Enrollment and testing of samples.

Each laboratory must enroll in a proficiency testing (PT) program that meets the criteria in subpart I of this part and is approved by HHS. The laboratory must enroll in an approved program or programs for

each of the specialties and subspecialties for which it seeks certification. The laboratory must test the samples in the same manner as patients' specimens. For laboratories subject to 42 CFR part 493 published on March 14, 1990 (55 FR 9538) prior to September 1, 1992, the rules of this subpart are effective on September 1, 1992. For all other laboratories, the rules of this subpart are effective January 1, 1994.

- (a) Standard; Enrollment. The laboratory must—
- (1) Notify HHS of the approved program or programs in which it chooses to participate to meet proficiency testing requirements of this subpart.
- (2)(i) Designate the program(s) to be used for each specialty, subspecialty, and analyte or test to determine compliance with this subpart if the laboratory participates in more than one proficiency testing program approved by CMS; and
- (ii) For those tests performed by the laboratory that are not included in subpart for this part, a laboratory must establish and maintain the accuracy of its testing precedures, in accordance with §493.1236(c)(1). [emphasis added]" 90

This Standard applies to all tests except waived tests. Waived tests do not include genetic tests

https://www.texasagriculture.gov/Portals/0/forms/ER/Texas%20CAH%20Trustee%20Resource%20Guide.pdf

https://www.texasagriculture.gov/Portals/0.567ns/ER/Texas%20CAH%20Trustee%20Resource%20Guide.pdf

https://www.palmettogba.com/palmetto/providers.nsf/vMasterDID/9FRR7A4285?open

- <sup>95</sup> A smart contract is a program that is recorded on a blockchain's digital ledger. Many blockchains include some form of stripting language to support these programs. In some cases, transactions performed on the blockchain can include some logic that defines how they can be processed. Use case: A Bitcoin smart contract is a digital agreement. It is a software code stored then executed across all nodes in the Bitcoin (BSV) Blockchain network. The creator of the smart contract defines the rules and agreed upon by the involved parties. The contract could, for example be used for bitcoin mining. Bitcoin has built-in support for a few different types of smart contracts, including:
  - Pay-to-Public-Key-Hash (P2PKH): Ensures that only the recipient of a transaction can spend the Bitcoin it contains.
  - Multi-Signature Scripts: Requires signatures from multiple wallets to release funds.
  - Time-Locked Bitcoin Transactions: Prevents Bitcoin in a transaction from being spent until a certain period has elapsed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> Texas Department of Rural Affairs and Texas Healthcare Trustees. Texas Critical Access Hospital Trustee Resource Guide. <a href="https://www.tdra.state.tx.us">www.tdra.state.tx.us</a> and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> Texas Department of Rural Affairs and Texas Healthcare Trustees. Texas Critical Access Hospital Trustee Resource Guide. www.tdra.state.tx.0s and

<sup>93</sup> Medicare Administrative Contractor Palmetto GBA, CMS Manual System Pub 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>94</sup> Strabismus surgery loosen or tightens eye muscles changing the alignment of the eyes relative to each other. https://aapos.org/slossary/strabismus-surgery

• Pay-to-Script-Hash (P2SH): Sends Bitcoin to the hash of a script, improving efficiency and privacy. https://www.lightspark.com/learn/bitcoin/what-are-bitcoin-smart-contracts

<sup>96</sup> Bitcoin is associated with blockchain, a type of distributed ledger technology (DLT) that allows for secure digital asset transfers without a central authority. A distributed ledger is a transaction database that is synchronized across different sites and geographies; because the ledger is distributed it reduces fraud risk because different ledgers can be compared for their state and manipulation of unauthorized changes can be more readily identified, yet, so while distributed they provide a central authority as a check against manipulation. <a href="https://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/distributed-ledgers.asp#:~:text=A%20distributed%20ledger%20is%20a%20transaction%20database%20tbat%20is%20aynchronized,states%20and%20reject%20unverified%20changes.">https://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/distributed-ledgers.asp#:~:text=A%20distributed%20ledger%20is%20a%20transaction%20database%20tbat%20is%20aynchronized,states%20and%20reject%20unverified%20changes.</a>

<sup>97</sup> A non-fungible token (NFT) is a unique digital asset that certifies ownership and authemicity of a piece of content or item. NFTs are recorded on a blockchain, a decentralized digital ledger, and are distinct from other assets because they can't be copied, substituted, or divided. Non-fungible tokens (NFTs) are designed to be i) cryptographically verifiable, ii) unique or scarce and iti) easily transferable.

Leveraging cryptographic signatures native to the blockchain on which an NT is issued, one can easily determine the origin and the current owner of the asset inquestion is seconds. https://aws.amazon.com/web3/nfts-

explained/#:~:text=What%20are%20non%2Dfungible%20tokers.xsset%2C%20whether%20digital%20or%20physical.

<sup>98</sup> A Merkle tree is a data structure that is used in computer science applications. In bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies, Merkle trees serve to encode blockchain data more efficiently and securely. https://www.investopedia.com/terms/m/merke-tree asp

99 Federal Register/Vol. 73, No. 2244 Vednesday, November 19, 2008 CFR. See https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FP\_2008-11-19/pdf/E8-27401.pdf