

Healthcare Payments Data Program Submitter Group

April 9, 2026

*Thank you for joining.
We will start the meeting at 10:05
This meeting will be recorded.*

Housekeeping

- This meeting is being recorded.
- All attendees are muted upon entry
- Presentation materials are available at the HPD Submitters Website
- This meeting will have time for Questions & Answers

Today's Agenda

1. Welcome and Key Program Updates
2. Regulations Update and HCAI Non-Claims Payment Reminders
3. Non-Claims Payment Review
4. Data Quality Report Timeline
5. Questions & Answers – Open Forum
6. Program Reminders
7. Adjournment

Welcome and Key Program Updates

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Key Program Updates

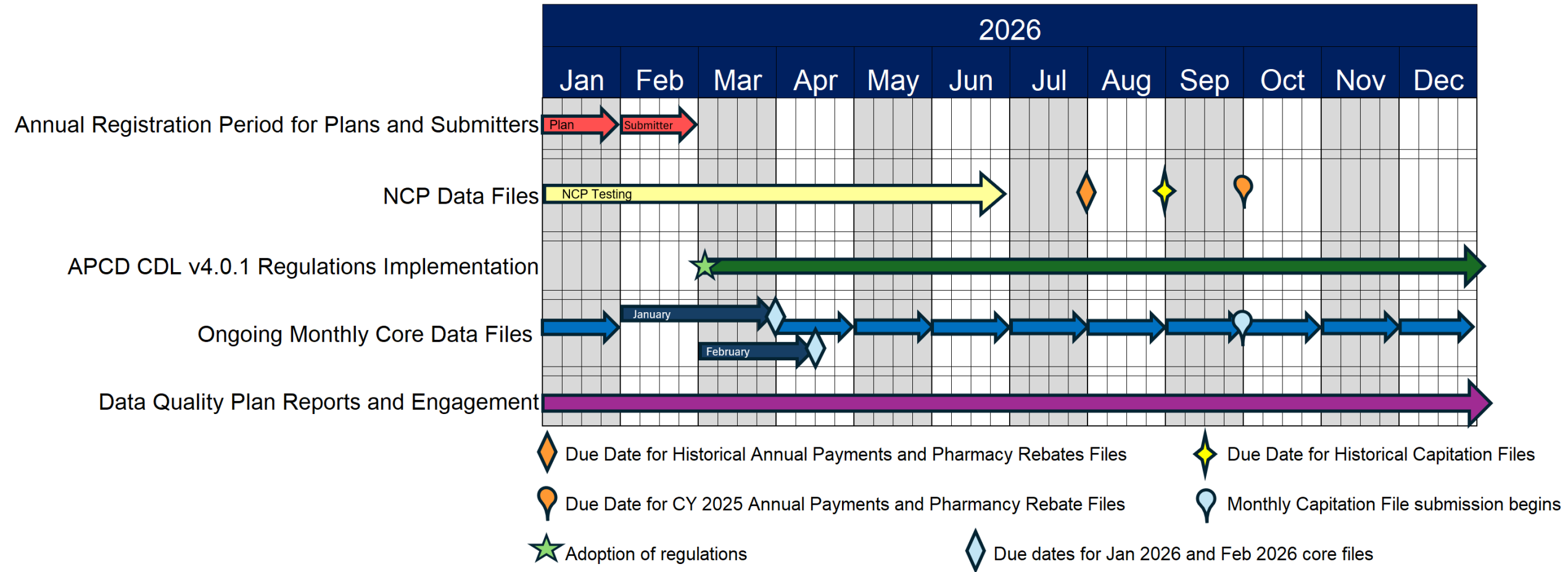
- HPD Key Deadlines
- HPD 2026 Timeline
- Data Submission Portal Name Change
- Upcoming HPD Committee Meetings

HPD Key Dates

Date	Event
January 31, 2026	Annual Plan Registration required to be completed
February 28, 2026	Annual Submitter Registration required to be completed
March 4, 2026	Adoption of APCD CDL v4.0.1 regulations
March 31, 2026	Transition to APCD CDL v4.0.1
*March 31, 2026	*January 2026 monthly core files due
*April 13, 2026	*February 2026 monthly core files due
May 1, 2026	March 2026 monthly core files due
June 30, 2026	Successfully complete testing for each historical NCP Data File type your plan will submit
July 31, 2026	Historical Annual Payment Files and Pharmacy Rebate Files for the time period from June 29, 2017, through December 31, 2024 due
September 1, 2026	Historical Capitation Files, for the time period from June 29, 2017, through July 31, 2026 due
September 30, 2026	Initiation of ongoing Annual Payment and Pharmacy Rebate files, starting with CY 2025 due
October 1, 2026	Initiation of ongoing Monthly Capitation file, starting with August 2026 due

*adjusted due date to accommodate regulation adoption

HPD Timeline for 2026



Data Submission Portal Name Change

- Claims Data Manager (CDM) is now called Data Harbor
- Name and design change only
- No changes to functionality or submission process



Upcoming HPD Committee Meetings

- [HPD Advisory Committee](#)
 - April 23, 2026
- [HPD Submitter Group](#)
 - July 9, 2026
- [HPD Data Release Committee](#)
 - TBD

Regulations Update and HCAI Non-Claims Payment Reminders

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Regulations Updates

- Regulations approved on March 4, 2026
- Transition to APCD-CDL v4.0.1 on March 31, 2026
 - Incorporates NCP Data Layout v1.0 into the APCD-CDL
- Adjusted guidance for two NCP Data Elements in [Data Submission Guide v4.0](#)
 - CDLPR005 Drug Code – NDC Product Code
 - CDLCF019 Total Paid Amount

Revisions to NCP Data Elements

- CDLPR005 Drug Code – NDC Product Code
 - HCAI requires use of 11-digit NDC, which supersedes APCD-CDL guidance
- CDLCF019 Total Paid Amount
 - Report all payment amounts without rounding to ensure greater accuracy for smaller payments

NCP Testing Reminder

- All files submitted on or after March 31, 2026, are required to be in APCD-CDL v4.0.1
 - Exception for CDLPR005 and CDLCF019, which requires to follow HCAI's requirements in DSG v4.0
- This include NCP test files
- Plans are required to successfully complete NCP testing for the file types they will submit by June 30, 2026
- Please email feedback or questions identified during the NCP testing process to hpd@hcai.ca.gov

NCP Testing Resources

- Section 5 of the HPD [Reporting Manual v4.0](#) has more information on submission requirements
 - Section 5.1 provides information on what data to include in each file
 - Section 5.11 provides information on submitting test files and current testing deadlines
 - Appendix D outlines the validations utilized by HCAI's data vendor to assess the initial quality and completeness of each HCAI non-claims data submission
 - Appendix E lists primary care code sets
- [NCP Data Layout Submission Scenarios](#) document provides sample data for Annual Payments, Pharmacy Rebates, and Capitation files and guidance on formatting specific fields in each file.

HPD Data Submission Intake Validations

- HCAI added a new rejection reason to the intake validations in Section 6.2 of DSG v4.0 for files containing data on non-California residents
- All HPD files must only include data for California residents, regardless of where the services were provided
- Exclude all other members

APCD-CDL v4.0.1 Transition and Non-Claims Payment (NCP) Review

*Nicole Jakubowski;
Onpoint Health Data Operations Analyst*

APCD-CDL v4.0.1 Transition Key Updates

APCD-CDL v4.0.1 Key Updates Overview

- NCP Data Layout v1.0 files incorporated to v4.0.1: Annual Payments, Pharmacy Rebates, Capitation
- No Data Elements added or removed
- Expansion of Description/Valid Values for several Data Elements in files
- Updates to Appendix References (example: Appendix G is now Appendix J)
- Annual Payment file updates to payment categories and subcategories
- Regulations have been approved
- [APCD-CDL Version™ 4.0.1](#)

APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Header

APCD-CDL Version Number (CDLMC062 – CDLMC086) Updates

- The header record for v4.0.1 should be reported as 4.0.1

HEADER RECORD				
CDLHD009	Comments	varchar	50	Comments.
CDLHD010	APCD-CDL™ Version Number	varchar	8	The version of the APCD-CDL™ used to produce this file (e.g., 3.0.1).

Medical Claims - Key Updates to APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Data Elements

Present on Admission Code (CDLMC062 – CDLMC086) Updates

- The Medical Claims file has updated the descriptions for the Present on Admission (POA) codes, specifically CDLMC062 through CDLMC086. These updates clarify the meaning and application of the existing codes.
- In addition, a new code has been introduced: **1 = Unreported/Not Used. Exempt from POA Reporting.** This code serves as an explicit indicator when POA reporting is not applicable and is equivalent to leaving the field blank on the UB-04 form. However, it was determined that submitting blank fields when using the 4010A format is undesirable; thus, this new code provides a standardized approach for indicating exemption from POA reporting.

Pharmacy Claims - Key Updates to APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Data Elements

CLDPC065 – Record Status Code Update

- The code set for CLDPC065 – Record Status Code has been revised with the release of APCD-CDL™ version 4.0.1. The newly updated code set is now available and published in the APCD Common Data Layout. This change is intended to ensure consistency and clarity in data reporting.
 - Two-digit code

Annual Payments - Key Updates to APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Data Elements

CDLAP014 – Member Count

The code set for CDLAP014 has added Category = 'C': Total number of members associated with shared savings or recoupments with the release of APCD-CDL™ version 4.0.1. The newly updated code set is now available and published in the APCD Common Data Layout. This change is intended to ensure consistency and clarity in data reporting.

Pharmacy Rebates- Key Updates to APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Data Elements

CDLPR005 – Drug Code Reporting Requirements

For CDLPR005 – Drug Code, specifically the NDC Product code, the maximum character length allowed for reporting the NDC code is 11 digits. The APCD-CDL refers to 9 digits; however, HPD's requirement outlined in the Data Submission Guide (DG) is to report 11 digits.

Capitation – Key Updates to APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1 Data Elements

CDLCF019 – Total Paid Amount

Updated rounding rules: Total Paid Amount, traditional rounding rules previously resulted in capitation payments of less than \$1.00 being reported as \$0.00. The regulations and reporting manual have been updated to remove these rounding rules, ensuring that small payment amounts are now reported more accurately and transparently.

Non-Claims Payment File Testing

NCP Testing – Upcoming Deadlines

- **June 30, 2026** – Successfully complete testing for each historical NCP data file type your plan will submit
- **July 31, 2026** – Historical annual payments and pharmacy rebate file for June 29, 2017, through December 31, 2024, due
- **September 01, 2026** – Historical capitation files for June 29, 2017, through December 31, 2024, due
- **September 30, 2026** – Initiation of ongoing annual payments and pharmacy rebates files starting with CY 2025, due

NCP Data Layout™ – Submission Scenarios

- Provides further technical guidance per file type
- Provides sample data per file type



**California Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI)
Health Care Payments Data (HPD) Program**

NCP Data Layout™ - Submission Scenarios

Last Updated: May 1, 2025

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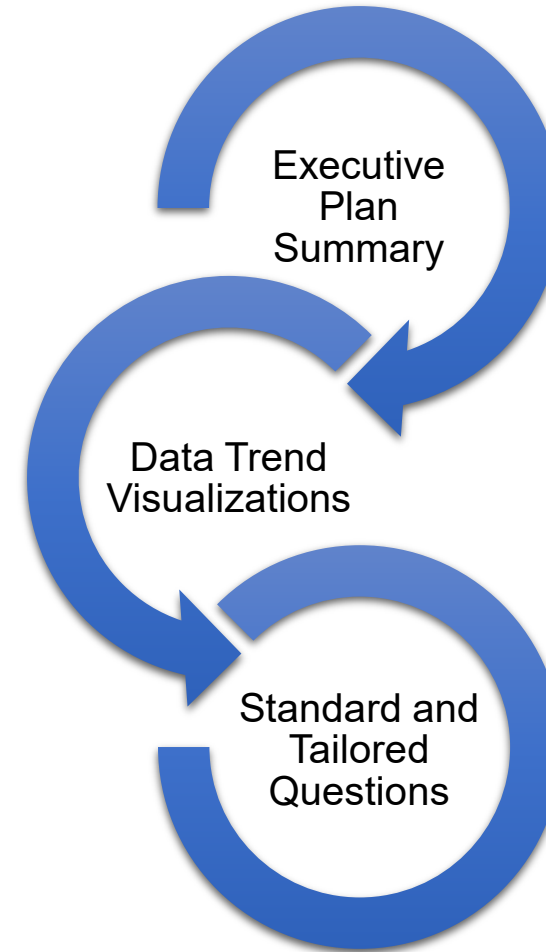
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Data Quality Report (DQR) Timeline

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Data Quality Reports (DQR) and Engagement

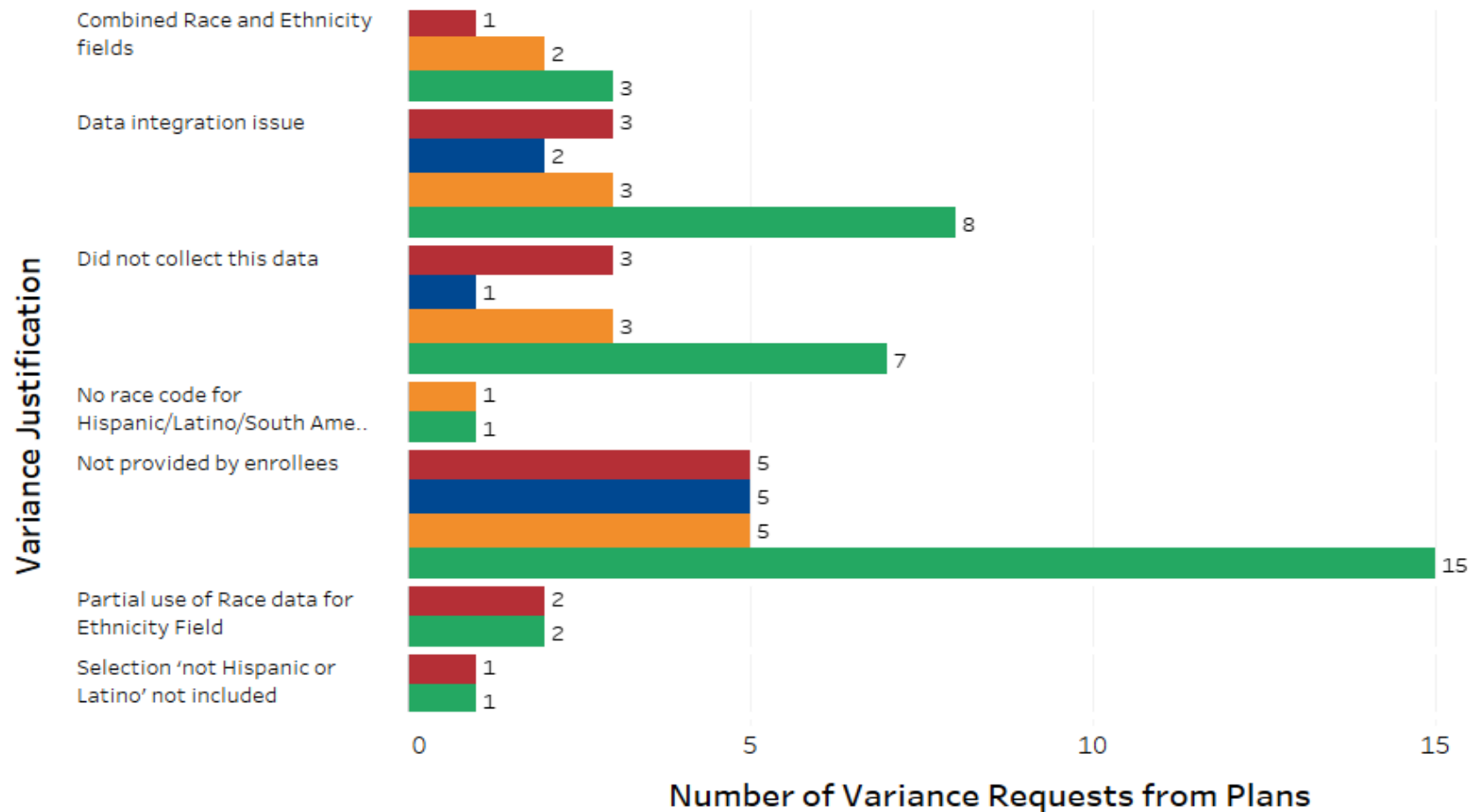
- Initiated annual reports and engagement with plans in May 2024
- Opportunity for plans to validate data in HPD, feedback loop with plans to share experiences and best practices
- Developed standard and tailored questions for each plan to gain further insight on data quality



Plan Responses for Missing or Incomplete Demographic Data

- Engaging with 18 commercial higher level health plans
 - Higher level plans represent 49 registered health plans
 - E.g., Kaiser Permanente and Kaiser Foundation rolled up to Kaiser
- Reached out to 14 plans since May 2024, received 13 responses
 - 5 small (<100K covered lives), 5 medium (100k to <1M covered lives), 3 large (1M+ covered lives)
- Data analysis timeframe 2020-2022
- Data has a time lag to assess full years. Upon completion of historical analyses, the next engagement planned for 2023-2024 years.

Variance Justification by Plan, 2020-2022



REaL Category

- Number of Plans with Ethnicity Field Issues
- Number of Plans with Language Field Issues
- Number of Plans with Race Field Issues
- Total Number of Variance Requests per Justification

Analytical notes: Graph shows justifications given for missing or incomplete race, ethnicity, and language data. This data is collected from responses of 13 out of the 18 high level commercial plans who have so far completed the Data Quality Reports. Some plans had multiple justifications per REaL data element.

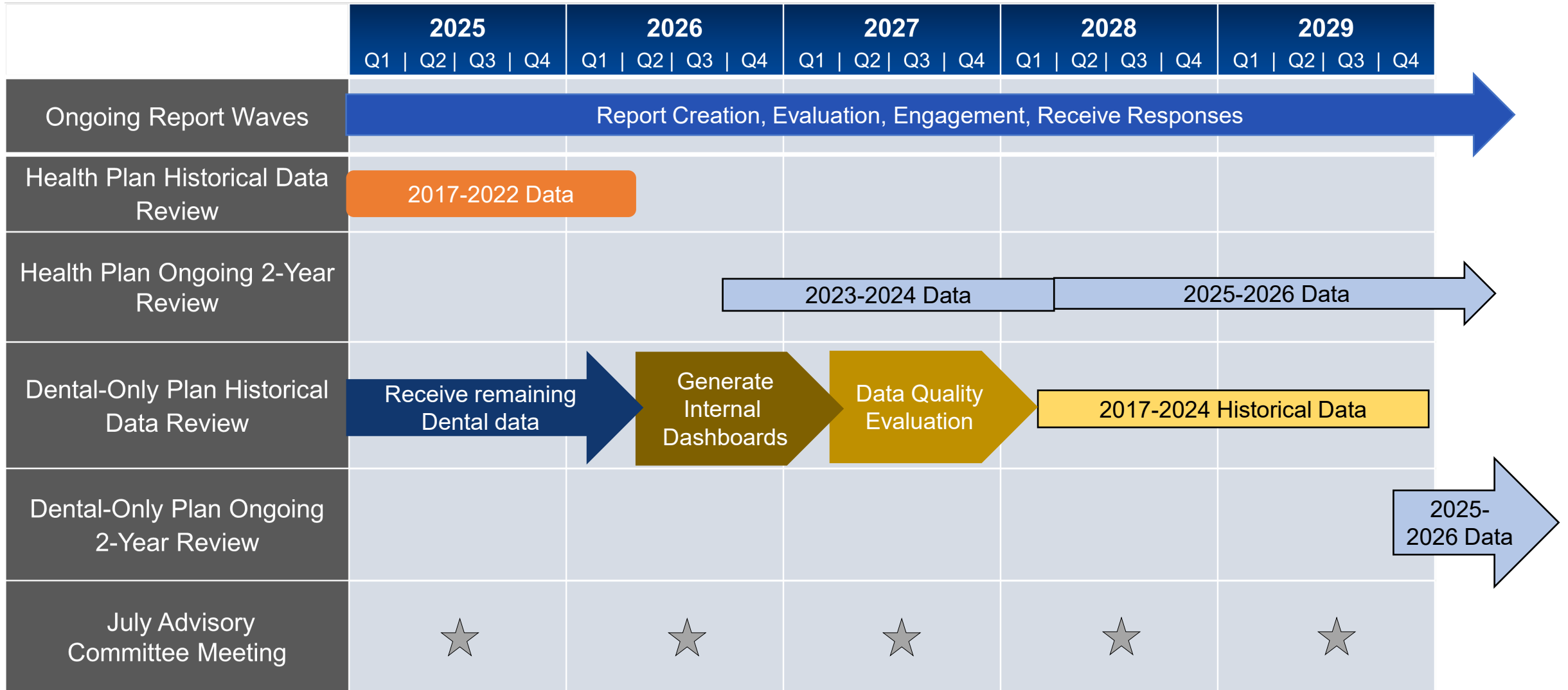
Plan Responses on How They Collect Demographic Data

- HPD Question to all plans during 1:1 engagement - race, ethnicity and language:
 - Please describe for each submitter whether this information is (Choose as many as apply): 1) self reported; 2) derived 3) imputed; 4) allows for others to report on the individual's behalf; 5) individual selected from provided list of options; 6) combination of multiple methods indicated in this question (please specify which methods by submitter); 7) describe other methods.

Demographic Data Collection Method

Demographic Element	Collection Method	Data Collection Method			
		Small	Medium	Large	
Ethnicity	Self-Reported	3	4	3	
	Derived	2	2		
	Combination	2			
	Reported on Someone's Behalf	1	2	1	
	Selected from Provided List			1	
	Imputed		1	1	
Language	Self-Reported	4	4	2	
	Derived	2	2	1	
	Reported on Someone's Behalf	1	2	1	
	Combination	1			
	Selected from Provided List			1	
	Imputed			1	
Race	Self-Reported	3	4	3	
	Derived	2	2		
	Combination	2			
	Reported on Someone's Behalf	1	2	1	
	Selected from Provided List			1	
	Imputed		1	1	

Data Quality Report Roadmap



Questions & Answers

HCAI Team

Q & A Session Operations

- Questions posed in Chat will be addressed first.
- If you raise your hand, a number will appear next to your hand, and it is the order in which we will get to your raised hand.
- Please ask us anything that pertains to Healthcare Payments Data and how we can help you provide that information.
- All questions will be collected and sent out after the meeting by email.

Program Reminders

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HPD Resources - References

- [HPD Program Data Submission Guide v4.0](#)
- [APCD-CDL™ v4.0.1](#)
- [HPD Program Reporting Manual v4.0](#)
- [HPD Program Regulations](#)
- [NCP Data Layout Submission Scenarios](#)

HPD Resources - Webpages

- [HPD Program Webpage](#)
 - Includes program goals, reporting principles, statute, resources and regulations.
- [HPD Submitter Group Webpage](#)
 - Submitter resources: Data Harbor (formerly Claims Data Manager), Data Submission Guide, APCD-CDL™, NCP Data Layout, HPD Reporting Manual, past meeting information and trainings, 2020 Legislative Report, etc.

HPD Resources – Fact Sheets

- [Healthcare Payments Data \(HPD\) Fact Sheet](#)
- [Non-Claims Payment \(NCP\) Fact Sheet](#)

HPD Resources - Mail

- [Mailing List](#)
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 - hpd-support@onpointhealthdata.org: data submission, technical data file specifications, or mapping questions.
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Adjournment

Thank you for attending!

The next meeting will be
July 9, 2026