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# Provider Identification in the Colorado APCD

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# Why is this Important?

- Support the public reporting of comparative cost and quality information on a named facility and physician group basis – “Consumer Portal”
  - Requires a unified Master Provider Index (MPI)
  - Also requires PCP patient attribution
- Support performance measurement and reporting to physician practice groups
  - Practice specific cost and quality information
  - Facilitate comparisons to state, regional and peer group benchmarks
  - Help practices to identify opportunities to improve care and bend the cost curve

# Difficulties and Challenges

- Encountered in developing a unified Master Provider Index (MPI)
  - The CO APCD receives monthly data submissions from 16 commercial plans and the state Medicaid agency
  - Mergers, legacy claims processing systems, etc.
  - Inconsistent facility/provider group naming conventions
  - Missing data
    - Tax ID
    - NPI
    - State license number



# What We've Done

- Work collaboratively with payers to improve the quality and completeness of claims data submissions
- Data Submission Guide – added required data fields
- Leverage additional data sources
  - State licensing information/lists
  - Colorado Associations – CHA, CASCA, CMS, etc.
- Work closely with Treo Solutions and Enclarity
- Develop processes for incorporating Local Knowledge in developing and validating the MPI
- Not “there” yet, but getting better!

