Statewide Planning and Research Cooperative System (SPARCS)
Quarterly Submitter Forum Summary

**Meeting Details**

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**Meeting Panelists**
- SPARCS Program: Janet Nguyen, Melissa Benoit
- Optum Government Solutions: Joe Newell

**Agenda**
- Introduce SPARCS Submission Operations
- Website Resources
- SPARCS Injury, Cause, and Place Code Set
- Questions

**Summary**

- Introduce SPARCS Submission Operations & Purpose of Submitter Forums
  - Summaries of Submitter Forums will be made available on the SPARCS website.

- Website Resources
  - Resources are available on the [SPARCS website](#) to assist facilities with data submission.

- SPARCS Injury, Cause, and Place Code Set (Update & Remediation)
  - The *SPARCS Injury, Cause, and Place Code Set* specifies whether a cause and/or place of injury is required on SPARCS data when an applicable injury code is reported. Information on this code set is available on the SPARCS website.
  - *SPARCS Injury Diagnosis Edit* checks the primary diagnosis codes, additional diagnosis codes, as well as the external cause of injury diagnosis codes for required cause and/or place of injury.
  - Secondary Diagnosis Edit checks certain injury diagnosis codes for additional diagnosis code required.
  - The SPARCS Injury Edit Remediation Project will focus on:
    - Discharge years 2016 – 2023
      - **UPDATE:** Only 2018 – 2023 discharge years will be included in the remediation project.
      - Inpatient and Emergency Department claim types only
      - Remediation efforts focus on data that was allowed into the system but that should have been stopped by N0003 and N0002 edits
      - An initial email notification will be sent to SPARCS Coordinators for affected facilities.
      - Claim detail files will be transferred to facilities via HCS.
      - Facilities must resubmit files with appropriate external cause and/or place of injury codes.

**Questions**
- The SPARCS Program will post all questions asked during the forum (and answers to those questions).