

HISPC AD HOC Working Group  
September 21, 2006

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Welcome and Introductions  
All attendees introduced themselves.

Approval of September 7, 2006 Minutes  
A motion to approve the minutes as written was made. The motion passed unanimously.

OHISP and HISPC Update  
Bill Hayes reported that RTI has sent out the contract modifications extending the HISPC project until the end of April with revised deliverable dates. The *Interim Assessment of Variation Report* is due Nov. 6, the Interim Solutions report is due Dec. 11, the Implementation Report is due Jan 15, and the final Solutions and Implementation reports are due March 30. Work in all states should be complete by the end of March. The National Conference will take place on March 5 and 6 and the regional conference is scheduled to take place on October 27. Ohio along with IN, KY, IL, and MI have been invited to this conference. RTI would like 12 people from each state to attend; we have 11 people confirmed. States will share the variations and legal work group processes at the regional conferences. RTI has sent a revised agenda for the conference and an outline for how the *Interim Assessment of Variation Report* should be structured.

The 18 scenarios, scenario findings, and topical area meeting minutes are now posted on the wiki. We will accept feedback on the scenarios and scenario analysis until the end of October.

The Steering Committee meeting was held on September 18. Members reviewed a draft of the strategic roadmap and gave feedback for revision. Feedback received will be incorporated into a revised draft. The revised draft roadmap will include an executive summary and be posted on the wiki for stakeholder comment. Comments from the public will then be incorporated into a final document. Steering Committee members will discuss the draft *Interim Assessment of Variation Report* at the next Steering Committee meeting on October 19. The final copy of the report will be reviewed by the executive committee of the Steering Committee before submitting it to RTI.

Several presentations have been conducted on HIT and HIE including presentations at the Behavioral Health Providers meeting, Public Health Association meeting, and AOPHA meeting. Philip Powers will sit on a panel at the eHealth conference in Washington, DC to talk about what's going on in Ohio. NEO RHIO has hired eHealth Initiative to create a business case for their RHIO. Positive feedback about RHIOs have been circulating; a rural hospital outside of Cincinnati found HealthBridge useful and cost effective.

## EDUCATION AND PRESENTATIONS

Members of the AWG reviewed the October 23 conference agenda. There were some concerns about the early start time so the group decided to start the conference at 9:00 am with 2 breakout sessions lasting an hour long. During the conference a draft of the strategic roadmap will be presented and attendees will be given an opportunity to comment on it during the first breakout session. The second breakout session will allow attendees to split up into groups by topic. HIT Adoption, Exchange, Interoperability, and Structure are the proposed topics. The second breakout session can also be used to launch proposed workgroups outlined in the roadmap review (see below). The goal is to launch workgroups at the conference and continue them. The agenda for the conference should be solidified by September 29 with a process for vendors planned out.

### Proposed Agenda

9:00-10:00	Opening
10:15-11:15	Breakout Session 1: Reaction to proposal (4 questions)
11:30-12:30	Breakout Session 2: Workgroups
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:15	Summary of Breakout Sessions
2:15-3:15	Holt Anderson
3:30-4:00	Next Steps/Closing Remarks

## REVIEW OF HIT ROADMAP

The strategic roadmap includes the history of HIT and HIE on a national and state level basis, purpose for HIT/HIE, reasons for implementation, activities in Ohio, vision for HIT and HIE in Ohio, and barriers and policy solutions. It was recommended that the developments of Ohiolink, SchoolNet, and Health Alert Network (ODH) be included in the roadmap. The recommendations sections could also be divided into a couple of different parts. The document will be sent to all candidates running for office, legislators, and the media.

Bill Hayes gave an overview of the roadmap and themes he would like to focus on.

## *ADOPTION*

- Pool funds to subsidize EHRs in provider setting (which setting get subsidy) [third frontier, Medicaid]
- Purchases, workflow analysis, training
- Subsidy support to early adopters
- Pre-EHR technology assistance to providers to support administrative data exchange as in UTAH
- Pooled purchasing of EHR systems
  - Best price
  - Get appropriate system for provider type (nursing home, physicians, etc)
- Develop clear ROI/Business case to adopt HIT and exchange data by provider type
- Training plan (ongoing)
- Create physician rates that reward use of EHR

- Support telemedicine
- Add examples of hospitals in Ohio who are implementing EHRs  
Ex: Ohio Health, Metro Health, Cleveland Clinic
- Leadership that will keep competition out of process
- Pooled EHR for small practices

Get a group together to talk about these options

#### *EXCHANGE*

- Payer based health records-web portal
- My health record (PHR) web portal (capture uninsured)
- Money to support improvement of communications infrastructure
- Standards development
- State level exchange administrative data regional exchanges
- Licensing board meeting
- Establish privacy/security protections (HISPC work as basis)
- Standardize credentialing

#### INTEROPERABILITY

- Facilitate standards and develop adaptors for systems already in place

#### *STRUCTURE*

- State level, non-profit entity
- Local area RHIOs develop
- Divide state into regions (6+), \$ per region, 1 plan per region
- State government: HIT/HIE head located in governor's office to coordinate agency privacy and security

#### *NEXT STEPS*

- Workgroups
  - Subsidy pool plan
  - Organizational structure plan
  - ROIs
  - Communications infrastructure plan
  - Review UTAH Standards, policies, procedures
- Meet with candidates
- Revise Plan
- State/regional meetings
- AWG members give input on which legislators to share roadmap document with

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on October 5, 2006

#### MEETING CHAIR

Nancy Gillette will chair the meeting on October 5, 2006.