

## **Organizational Structure Working Group Meeting Recommended State-Level Organization Roles**

### **Serve as leader, facilitator, convener, and educator for HIT/HIE activities in Ohio**

- Coordinate activities among local HIT initiatives and regions (Roadmap recommendation 1.2)
- Coordinate activities with neighboring states
- Serve as a liaison to coordinate activities with national e-Health efforts
- Invite all local health information organizations to participate
- Facilitate communication between providers at local, regional and national levels
- Facilitate and pursue best price negotiating for EHRs or related items for adoption by providers (Roadmap recommendation 2.4)
- Develop provider specific return on investments (Roadmap recommendation 2.5)
- Facilitate the implementation of national standards and develop statewide standards needed to promote HIE, in absence of national standards, as in Utah (Roadmap recommendations 1.1 and 3.3)
- Assure health plans operating in Ohio, including public-funded ones like Medicaid, create a payer-based health record for all plan members (Roadmap recommendation 4.1)
- Assure the availability of a state supported web portal that would create an opportunity to have a personal health record for Ohio citizens that would capture demographics and personal and family health history (Roadmap recommendation 4.2)
- Ensure that privacy and security protections exist in all HIE efforts (Roadmap recommendation 4.7)
- Organize state agency reporting requirements
- Facilitate the development of HIT regions that will assure care to everyone in the state through RHIOs and assure HIE capacity within these regions and distribution of public subsidy funding in a coordinated and equitable way
- Create workforce development and communications infrastructure plans (Roadmap recommendations 2.7 and 4.6)

### **Serve as a funder for HIT and HIE activities in Ohio**

- Create funding pools, comprised of public and private sector monies, to support development of health information exchanges and to support adoption of HIT in provider practices (Roadmap recommendations 1.2 and 2.2)
- Distribute funding for workforce development and communications infrastructure to foster effective use of HIT and HIE (Roadmap recommendations 2.7 and 4.6)
- Apply for private foundation, federal, or state funds to further promote HIT activities in Ohio

### **Create electronic exchange for administrative data**

- Oversee development and implementation of a state-level health information exchange for administrative data (Roadmap recommendation 1.1)

### **Assure electronic exchange of data to meet state reporting requirements**

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**Coordinate training and technical assistance around HIE**

- Secure staff that can provide training and technical assistance to providers and health information exchanges.
- Work with other organizations skilled in these areas, bringing their expertise to bear as needed.

**Facilitate the removal of barriers to health information exchange**

- Proactive focus on removing barriers to health information exchange through policy development and standards development.
- Work through committee and board to identify barriers and agreed upon strategies to overcome these barriers to HIE.