

Ad Hoc Working Group Meeting October 19, 2006

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WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

Dennis Swartzlander welcomed the group and all attendees introduced themselves.

APPROVAL of OCTOBER 5, 2006 MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes as written was made. The motion passed unanimously.

OHISP and HISPC UPDATE

Stephanie Jursek reported that the Interim Assessment of Variations report is due November 6. A draft copy of the Interim Assessment of Variations report is being reviewed by a subcommittee of the LWG and the Steering Committee. On October 19 the Steering Committee will meet to approve the draft report. Final changes will be approved by an executive committee of the Steering Committee before the report is sent to RTI. On November 3, RTI will host the HISPC regional meeting in Indianapolis. Eleven people from Ohio will be in attendance including several members of the Steering Committee. The first SWG meeting will be held on the November 1.

The Interim Solutions report is due on December 11. Individuals interested in joining the SWG should contact Kate Cauley (katherine.cauley@wright.edu). A list of SWG members will be presented to the Steering Committee for approval at their October 19 meeting. The LWG held a meeting on October 11 to discuss governance structure options for a state level HIT organization.

STATE RHIO CONVERSATION

AHIMA in collaboration with FORE developed the *State Level Health Information Exchange Initiative Workbook* which looks at key components for developing a state level RHIO. The workbook can be found here http://www.staterhio.org/documents/HHSP23320064105EC_Workbook_090106.pdf. Bill Hayes highlighted pg.17 which categorizes possible components needed for development of a state level HIT organization. The LWG will use worksheets included in the workbook in helping to identify the role of the RHIO and governance structure. Rick Moore suggested using the model that power utilities have developed because of their success with standardization. Individuals can send their suggestions to the Stephanie Jursek (sjursek@hpio.net).

AWG members discussed the role of a state level HIT organization in Ohio. It was suggested that this organization focus on administrative transactions at the state level and share revenue with regional organizations. The HIT Summit on October 23 will be used to help clarify the organization's role and responsibilities. It is a possibility that the state level organization could be funded by Medicaid under their 90/10 match program, but this would require an advance planning document approved by the federal government. Medicaid funds and other funds including Third Frontier dollars would be used to help regional efforts.

Stephanie Jursek updated the group on the FCC pilot project to regional HIT efforts. The project will primarily focus on telemedicine but there is a concern that physicians will be practicing medicine in states they are not licensed to practice in. Grant money allocated for the pilot project is focused on non-profit and public entities. Updates on this project can be found on the Internet2 website <http://www.internet2.edu/> .

EDUCATION and PRESENTATIONS

Rick Moore reported that we have 58 individuals registered for October 23 conference. Registration closes on Friday, October 20. Rick Moore went over the agenda and updated the group on changes made since the last meeting. The first breakout session will be held as a large group instead of dividing into smaller groups. Breakout session two will remain the same with individuals choosing from 5 topic areas. Holt Anderson will discuss key points from the breakout sessions and compare with HIT activities in North Carolina.

The roadmap will be discussed in depth at the October 23 HIT Summit. Feedback will be solicited from participants in order to incorporate comments into the final revision. The final revision of the roadmap should be completed by November 1. Bill Hayes is seeking input and advice as to how to roll the roadmap out to the public. Suggestions for rollout include media coverage, talking to editorial boards, and holding personal meetings with leadership in the house and senate. The governor's office should be contacted for guidance with the rollout process. Endorsements from organizations should also be included to help strengthen the document and assist with the roll out process. Meetings will be scheduled with organizations to discuss the roadmap and criteria needed to gain their support.

After the October 23 Conference the AWG will look at next steps including: dividing the state into regions, creating a PHR website, developing ways to encourage adoption, and thinking about ways to financially support and sustain adoption. The group will also identify dates for roadmap work group conference calls and continue discussing the planning of regional meetings.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

The group discussed dates, locations, and hosts for the regional meetings. Possible locations for meetings include Cleveland, Akron/Canton, Lima, Mansfield, Toledo, Cincinnati, Dayton, and Cambridge.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

CHAIR FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Megan Smith will chair the next being to be held on November 2.