

**Health Information Security and Privacy Collaboration Ohio Community Meeting
The Future of Health Information Technology in Ohio
Invitation to Southeast Ohio Residents and Health Care Providers**

On December 15, 2006 from 9 AM to 12 PM there will be a Southeast Ohio regional meeting to discuss health information technology, health information exchange and related privacy and security issues. There has been a great deal of discussion locally, statewide and nationally about moving from paper to electronic records in healthcare. The adoption of information technology is viewed as a primary means by which we can improve the quality and reduce the cost of healthcare. Given the importance of this topic to our community; we would like to invite you to a meeting at the Human Resources and Training Center, rooms 141 and 145, (see attached directions) at Ohio University to discuss these issues in depth.

During this meeting the Health Policy Institute of Ohio (HPIO) will present information on the Ohio Roadmap for health information technology and exchange. There will also be a brief presentation on the Appalachian Regional Informatics Consortium (ARIC). HPIO will also describe the findings of the Health Information Security and Privacy Collaboration (HISPC) in Ohio. Noting the changes occurring in state leadership, this will be a timely and important discussion. This meeting seeks to both inform and gather input from the area on the Roadmap and the HISPC project. To review the HPIO documents in advance, please visit: <http://hispc.pbwiki.com/>.

Please feel free to distribute this announcement to others who may be interested in attending. In order to plan for refreshments, please RSVP to Jill Breeze (740) 593-2524 by December 8, 2006. For any questions, please contact Brian Phillips at (740) 593-2170 or Susan Isaac at sisaac@frogn.net.

**December 15, 2006
9 AM to 12 PM
Human Resources and Training Center Rooms 141 and 145, Ohio University
169 West Union Street
Athens, Ohio 45701**

**Topics: Ohio's Health Information Technology Roadmap
Appalachian Regional Informatics Consortium RHIO
Ohio's Health Information Security and Privacy Collaboration Findings
Refreshments Provided
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