

ILHIE Authority Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2012

Attendance

Year 1 Appointees		
Name	Organization	Location
Bill Odman (Co-Chair)	St. Mary's Good Samaritan	Telephone
Hayes Abrams	Blue Cross Blue Shield (HCSC)	Chicago
Julie Bonello	Access Community Health Network	Telephone
Phil Burgess	Philip Burgess Consulting, LLC	Chicago
Carla Evans	UIC School of Dentistry; U IL Medical Center	Chicago
Patrick Gallagher	Illinois State Medical Society	Chicago
Roger Holloway	Northern Illinois University/IL-HITREC	Telephone
Peter Ingram	Sinai Health System	Telephone
Terri Jacobsen	Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council, MCHIE	Telephone
Patsy Jensen	Shawnee Health Services	Telephone
Patricia Merryweather	Telligen	Chicago
Sharon Post	SEIU Healthcare	Chicago
Fred Rachman	Alliance of Chicago Community Health Services; Chicago Health Information Technology REC	Telephone
David Stumpf	Professor Emeritus, Northwestern University, Woodstock Health Information & Technology	Telephone

Year 2 Appointees		
Name	Organization	Location
Danielle Byron	Community Counseling Centers of Chicago	Chicago
Daniel Corboy	University of Chicago Hospitals	Chicago
Alan Gaffner	Greenville Regional Hospital & Fair Oaks Nursing Home	Telephone
Gerald DeLoss	Private Practice	Chicago
Alan Gaffner	Greenville Regional Hospital & Fair Oaks Nursing Home	Springfield
Lawrence Kosinski	Illinois Gastroenterology Group	Chicago
John Lewis	Northern Illinois University/Illinois Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center	Telephone
Lori Williams	Illinois Hospital Association	Telephone

State of Illinois Employees		
Name	Organization	Location
Laura Zaremba	Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT)	Chicago
Mark Chudzinski	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Mary McGinnis	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Cory Verblen	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Ivan Handler	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Krysta Heaney	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Saro Loucks	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Dia Cirillo	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago
Danny Kopelson	Office of Health Information Technology	Chicago

Invited Guests		
Name	Organization	Location
Kim Darnstaedt	The H Group	Chicago
Meryl Sosa	Illinois Psychiatric Society	Chicago

I. Roll Call and Introductions

Mark Chudzinski, General Counsel of the Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT), opened the meeting of the Advisory Committee (“Committee”) of the Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority on June 13, 2012 at 3:05 pm, hosted at the State of Illinois J.R. Thompson Center in Downtown Chicago, with a telephone conference call-in number and video connectivity with the Prescott Bloom Building, Directors Room 3rd Floor, Springfield Illinois. It was noted that notice of the meeting and the agenda were posted on the OHIT website and at the Chicago meeting location no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. Roll was taken, and the ability of those attending by telephone to hear and participate was confirmed. Bill Odman the Committee Co-chair, welcomed the Committee members and members of the general public, who would be welcome to address the Committee during the Public Comments portion of the Agenda at the conclusion of the meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee of April 3rd, 2012 were approved.

III. ILHIE Authority Board Update

Mrs. Laura Zaremba, Director of OHIT, reported that the Board met on June 6th and elected Board officers. Dr. Cheryl Whitaker was re-elected for another one year term as Board President. Dr. Bruce Wellman was re-elected for a one year term as Vice Chair. Mark Chudzinski will continue as Secretary. Sanjay Patel, CFO of OHIT, was elected Treasurer.

The Board approved renewal of two inter-agency agreements pursuant to which OHIT was providing operational support to the Authority. The Board also authorized the Chair to submit comments on behalf of the Authority by June 29 with respect to the Request for Information (RFI) that was published by the federal Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) regarding the Governance of the Nationwide Health Information Network (NwHIN). Mark Chudzinski provided an overview of the issues raised by the RFI. OHIT is proposing to respond to those issues which directly affect the ILHIE Authority’s statutory obligations and to advocate for federal leadership in the formulation of

national standards which promote the technical interoperability of HIT infrastructure. The comments would also suggest that there needs to be a balance between the need for a governance structure and adequate patient privacy protection, with the need to allow emerging innovation in health information technology to continue. He also provided an update in regards to the Authority's Data Security and Privacy Committee and its schedule for the remainder of this year.

IV. ILHIE Implementation Update

Laura Zaremba – We reached a milestone with ILHIE Direct Secure Messaging (“Direct”) and there are now more than 505 registered users of Direct. There are 75 individual active users. We are focused on growing the active user number. Expansion of our understanding of how providers are finding Direct useful in every day practice continues. Behavioral health providers and long term care providers are participating. We are using education to promote care coordination and care transitions in settings where point to point communication electronically is a big step forward from fax, the postal service or couriers.

OHIT is still onboarding alpha partners. OHIT is hosting a webinar to review the core services implementation and to discuss how organizations will connect to the ILHIE and that includes the regional HIEs, individual entities, groups, etc. OHIT wants to continue lining up test partners throughout the course of the implementation and this is a good way to present the technical specifications for how we think connectivity is going to go and start to gauge interest and readiness among our partners. The webinar will be recorded and a link will be sent out to everyone.

In the ensuing discussion, it was reported by OHIT staff that OHIT webinars are publicized by email to over 1,200 email recipients, with such emails often forwarded by recipient organizations, such as the Illinois Hospital Association, to their respective members. The webinars, which are also recorded and posted on the ILHIE website for later viewing, can accommodate 1,000 real-time participants; the average attendance is between two and three hundred.

V. Use Case Discussion and Presentation

Kim Darnstaedt (H Group) - The H group provides many types of care: medical, behavioral health, substance abuse, and pediatrics. The H Group is at a stage now where they want to coordinate sharing information with other health care entities, including FQHCs and State agencies. The H Group believes that consent is a huge issue in exchange of data concerning behavioral health and needs to be addressed.

Ms. Darnstaedt presented a detailed use case involving the electronic exchange of patient behavioral health information from a Community Behavioral Health Center

(CBHC) to a local Hospital ER and back to the CBHC, and answered detailed questions regarding the implementation challenges the H Group has encountered.

VI. OHIT E-prescribing Update

Ms. Mary McGinnis presented an overview of E-Prescribing in Illinois. The extent of deployed infrastructure to enable e-prescribing in Illinois has steadily increased since 2008 with 90% of pharmacies having the technology enabled. As of 2011, Illinois was pretty close to the national average for enabled pharmacies. However, the percentage of Illinois providers who e-prescribe lags the national percentage. As e-prescribing of controlled substances was authorized in Illinois as of January 1, 2012, it is anticipated that e-prescribing in Illinois will increase as the change to Illinois law becomes more widely known by prescribing physicians, who must go through a lengthy DEA process to obtain certification for such e-prescribing. In the ensuing discussion she described the information that has been collected regarding EHR adoption in the state, and the plans for Medicaid to upgrade their Medical Management Information System with a PBM component which will be acquired this year. Because of the federal EHR adoption incentives Illinois is pretty close to the national average in terms of EHR adoption.

VII. OHIT Communications Update

Danny Kopelson advised the Committee of the Health IT Awareness Week happening September 10th through September 14th. Danny asked for volunteers from the Advisory Committee to participate in an activity to raise awareness of health IT.

Volunteers: Pat Merryweather; Fred Rachman, CHITREC; Lori Williams; and Alan Gaffner.

Mr. Kopelson engaged the Committee in a discussion of why an organization either with or without an EHR would use Direct for secure messaging. Benefits of using Direct mentioned were: cutting down on communications, documents exactly what took place, cuts down on prescription errors, improves continuity of care, documents information between the two parties, is at no cost to Illinois providers for 2012, cuts administrative costs in offices, would allow doctors to spend more time with their patients, and is in real time. The following words were suggested for describing Direct: secure, trust, free, fast, real time, saves money, no more toner, time saved, improving patient care, exchange, simple-safe-secure, link, bridges a gap.

VIII. Public Comment

No public comments in Chicago or Springfield.

IX. Next Meeting

September 11, 2012 1-3 PM

X. Meeting Adjourned 4:20 PM

Minutes submitted by

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