



## **Privacy & Security Work Group**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**July 26, 2011**

**2:00pm-3:00pm**

#### Attended In-Person:

Chair: Ira Thompson, Infinite Systems Support  
Mark Chudzinski, Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT)  
Ivan Handler, OHIT  
Krysta Heaney, OHIT  
Dr. Arnold Widen, Illinois Office of the Attorney General

#### Attended by Phone:

Jim Anfield, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois  
Dr. Carl Gunter, University of Illinois Strategic Healthcare IT Advanced Research Projects (SHARPS)  
Sabrina Hardenbergh, Community Health & Emergency Services, Inc.  
Vince Keenan, Illinois Academy of Family Physicians  
Jay McCutcheon, Lincoln Land HIE (LLHIE)  
Crystal VanDeventer, LLHIE

#### **Introductions:**

Chairman **Ira Thompson** opened the meeting at 2:00 pm. The meeting was hosted by OHIT at the James R. Thompson Center, with a telephone conference call-in number provided for participants unable to attend in person. Roll call was taken.

#### **Minutes Review:**

The minutes from June 28, 2011 were unanimously approved.

#### **General HIE Project Updates:**

**Dr. Carl Gunter** provided an overview of the University of Illinois' Strategic Healthcare IT Advanced Research Projects on Security (SHARPS) project scope; three principle areas of health care management audit to be addressed under the SHARPS grant program are: 1) standards, 2) technical analytics, and 3) process management.

#### **ILHIE Update:**

**Mark Chudzinski** provided the Work Group with one federal-level and four state updates.

1. The Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) at the end of May that would modify the HIPAA Privacy Rule's

standard for accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information (PHI). A good description of the proposed rule and its practical implications is contained in this month's *Journal of AHIMA* (Heubusch, "Access Report – OCR Tries Subtraction through Addition in Accounting of Disclosure Rule", J. AHIMA, July 2011, at 38).

2. OHIT has launched an initiative to review the need for Health Information Exchange (HIE) standards at the State level. At this moment, OHIT is focusing on the Health Level Seven (HL7) standards. OHIT welcomes the input of the Privacy & Security Work Group on the development of this initiative, and the involvement of Privacy & Security Work Group members in the substantive review and discussion of information technology standards. Mark Chudzinski asked interested individuals to contact Ivan Handler, OHIT CTO about participation.
3. OHIT is continuing to explore with the University of Illinois SHARPS initiative the prospect of collaboration in the creation of a pilot project involving the consent management services layer of the state-level IL HIE. OHIT anticipates an announcement of a pilot project in the near future.
4. As part of the creation of the ILHIE Advisory Committee, OHIT has reviewed the role of existing Work Groups and their relation to, and possible absorption into, the new ILHIE Advisory Committee. With respect to the existing Privacy & Security Work Group, OHIT is proposing that it continue to exist, but be merged with the existing Technology & Interoperability Work Group as the "Audit Standards & Operations Subcommittee". OHIT is further proposing that the ILHIE Board of Directors create a Board Committee to address policy issues relating to Privacy & Security.
5. OHIT has issued its Request for Proposal (RFP) for the acquisition of the core elements of the ILHIE. Eleven formal submissions have been received in response to the RFP. With the bid period closed, OHIT will begin the vendor evaluation process and anticipates selecting a vendor within the next 90 days.

**Audit Sub-Committee Update:**

**Ira Thompson** stated there was nothing new to report.

**Next Steps:** The Privacy & Security Work Group suspended any further action until creation of the Audit Standards & Operations Subcommittee.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 3:00 pm.