

Health Information Technology Commission
Minutes

Date: Thursday September 10, 2009
1 – 4:00pm

Location:
Michigan Public Health Institute
Interactive Learning Center
2436 Woodlake Circle, Suite 380
Okemos, Michigan.

Commissioners Present:

Greg Forzley, M.D. – Chair
Larry Wagenknecht, R.Ph.
Mark Notman
Janet Olszewski
Toshiki Masaki – Vice Chair
Tom Lauzon
R. Taylor Scott, D.O
Jeanne Strickland
Joseph Hohner
Kimberly Ross – Jessup

Commissioners Absent:

Robin Cole
Robert Paul
Ken Theis

Staff:

Beth Nagel – MDCH
Kurt Krause – MDCH

Guests:

John Hazewinkel – MSU
Amy Smith - MSU
Jeff Shaw – MPH
Denise Holmes – MPH
Sharon Leenhouts – MiHIA
Mindy Richards – ChangeScape
Tim Ryan – Ciber
Jennifer Tomaszczk – MSU
Laura Rappleye – MDCH
Scot Ellsworth - MDIT
Samer Naser – Dewpoint Inc.
Melissa Topolewski – Kheder, Davis &
Assoc.
Nancy Walker – MHIMA
Tina Grant – Trinity Health
Kelly Amalfitano – Canon Business
Solutions
Larry Arreguin – Vision IT
Helen Hill – SEMHIE/HIMSS

Don Wheeler
Julie Elsenheimer – Sun Micro.
Kimberly Lynch – Altarum
Dan Armijo – Altarum
Marcus Cheatham – ICHD
Patrick O’Hare – Spectrum Health
Jim Lee – MHA
Kathy Smith – Sparrow
Kim Sibilsky – MPCA
Rick Brady – MiHIN PCO
Mikhail Elias – MIHIN PCO
David Behar - GDI
Jeremy Nelson – Afia, Inc.
Mark Cascarelli – Thomson Reuters
Sharon Emery – Rossman Group
Hank Mayer – Related Consulting
Dana Watt - MPCC
Sharon McLear - Dewpoint

Minutes: The regular monthly meeting of the Michigan Health Information Technology Commission was held on Thursday, September 10, 2009 at the Michigan Public Health Institute with seven Commissioners including the Chairman present, three on conference call, and three absent.

A. Welcome

B. Review and Approval of 8-12-09 meeting minutes

- Minutes of the 8-12-09 meeting were approved and will be posted to the HIT Commission website following this meeting.

C. Commissioner Updates

- Director Olszewski gave an update on the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR). Director Olszewski noted that the MCIR has been seeing increased activity due to H1N1 influenza vaccinations. Providers that had not used MCIR before are now becoming users.
- Greg Forzley noted that he signed a letter on behalf of the HIT Commission for Michigan's Regional HIT Extension Center application.

D. Update on MiHIN Program Office Activities

- Beth Nagel provided an update on the activities of the MiHIN Program Office. The first activity is an analysis of State of Michigan systems. The program office has been working with Michigan's public health systems to determine functionality and readiness for health information exchange.
- The second activity is interviewing all members of the Regional Advisory Board, which is made up of a leader within each MiHIN region. The program office has met with seven out of the nine regions. The two remaining regions are scheduled for the next week.
- The MiHIN program office has been working to identify and survey Michigan's HIT and HIE early adopters. With the help of the Regional Advisory Board, over 65 organizations were identified. A survey was sent to them in late August and we are currently analyzing the responses.
- The MiHIN program office has been working closely with other groups that focus on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act programs like – Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, the Regional HIT Extension Center, and the HIT Workforce Expansion coalition.

E. Regional HIT Extension Center Overview & Michigan's Approach: M-CEITA

- Dan Armijo and Denise Holmes gave an overview of Michigan's application to the Regional HIT Extension Center Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).

- Michigan submitted a preliminary application, which was due on September 8, 2009. The full application will be due on November 3, 2009.
- Michigan's Regional HIT Extension Effort is called the M-CEITA, Michigan Center for Effective IT Adoption. More information can be found at www.mceita.org
- M-CEITA will hold a meeting on September 18, 2009 to provide the larger community of stakeholders more information about this program.

F. State HIE Cooperative Agreement Program & Michigan's Response Approach

- Beth Nagel provided an overview of the State HIE Cooperative Agreement Program and Michigan's response to this program. The letter of intent was due on September 11, 2009 and Michigan has already turned in a letter signed by Director Olszewski. The full application is due on October 16, 2009.
- Director Olszewski noted that MDCH is the applicant for this opportunity but neither the governance structure nor the entity that will house the technology. These decisions and many more will need to be made by stakeholders through the planning process.
- Michigan's application will be to continue planning for the MiHIN and then to proceed in implementation. Michigan will need to produce and submit a Strategic and an Operational plan to the Office of the National Coordinator for HIT in order to receive implementation funding. The focus for the next six months is to engage in planning efforts to produce and finalize the Strategic and Operational Plans, which are tentatively set to be due in April 2010.

G. Activities Stakeholder Engagement Process & Timeline

- Director Olszewski presented the MiHIN stakeholder engagement process. In order for the MiHIN to be successful, there will need to be many opportunities to get stakeholder input and feedback.
- There will be four strategies for engagement: 1) utilizing the MiHIN regions, 2) forming workgroups, 3) public input and review sessions, 4) a website or other web tools.
- Before the application is submitted (October 16), the MiHIN program office will be disseminating information widely about the stakeholder engagement process.
- After the application is submitted, the workgroups will be formed and the website will be running.

H. Public Input

- Marcus Cheatham from the Ingham County Health Department announced that the Capital Area RHIO has voted to fund the business plan, which enables data to start being exchanged in the capital area.
- Helen Hill provided details of the HIMSS Michigan Day on September 24, 2009 in Washington D.C. More information is available on the Michigan HIMSS website.
- Jim Lee from the Michigan Health and Hospital Association (MHA) said that he is pleased Michigan will be focusing on governance of the MiHIN. Other states have taken a public and private approach to governance. The MHA has formed a task force that has been discussing potential direction for the MiHIN.

I. The meeting adjourned at 2:28pm