Personalizing Health Committee Meeting Summary June 20, 2006

Members Present

Mary Thompson, Chair Alan Berkelhamer, R.Ph (by phone) Maria Ferrera Laura Feste Kathy Herold (represent Larry Boress) Pat Merryweather Arnie Widen, MD,MS, FACP

Guests

Jonathan Dopkeen, Ph.D. Nancy Semerdjian

Staff

Jeff Johnson Fee Habtes

Discussion

The meeting started at 10 a.m. The committee reviewed the meeting notes from the meeting of June 6. A discussion ensued based on objections from Arnie Widen regarding the statement in the second paragraph of the meeting notes, "... the committee agreed that the patient should "control" what goes on the PHR and acknowledged that ownership and control are not the same." Committee members clarified that during their discussion, ownership was used in the context of sponsorship. Meeting notes will be revised to incorporate this change.

The discussion that followed focused on identifying the committee's outcome-oriented goal and objectives.

Outcome-Oriented Committee Goal:

Promote a secure environment in which all individuals in the State have access to a PHR in electronic format that is an integral part of the EHR that emerges in the State of IL.

Draft Objectives:

- 1. Define PHR
- 2. Promote and adopt the national standards for data elements.
- 3. Recommend a certification process that will ensure that service providers of PHRs protect confidentiality, as well as maintain rights to privacy.
- 4. Suggest policy that will provide financial resources to broaden access to PHR.
- 5. Promote incentives for sponsorship of PHR.
- 6. Support an infrastructure that mirrors the EHR for secure and reliable health information exchange.
- 7. Identify and address the barriers to use of the PHR that may reduce health disparities in the State of IL.
- 8. Educate consumers about the benefits and value of PHR.
- 9. Create a business case for PHR adoption by organizations within the State.
- 10. Identify regulatory barriers to data exchange of PHR providers, individuals and others.
- 11. Recommend best practices that will minimize inaccuracies of patient specific PHR information.
- 12. Provide guidance to the consumer regarding ownership rights and responsibilities of the PHR.
- 13. Propose a strategic framework for adoption of PHR.
- 14. Identify and promote key functionalities of PHR.

Based on the objectives that were identified, the committee began discussions on issues relating to each objective, but decided to defer the discussions to the next committee meeting on June 29.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m..