

HISPC Steering Committee Meeting
Monday, December 17, 2007
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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In attendance:

Elissa Bassler, Illinois Public Health Institute (project team)

*David Carvalho, Illinois Dept. of Public Health (project team)

Mary Driscoll, Illinois Dept. of Public Health, Division of Patient Safety

Patrick Gallagher, Illinois State Medical Society

Steven Glass, Access Community Health Network

Carolyn Guthman, Consumer, AARP

*Jeff Johnson, Illinois Dept. of Public Health (project team)

Kathy (Karsten) Tipton, Illinois Public Health Institute (project team)

William Kempiners, Consultant

Louis Lazovsky, Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago/Midwest Business Group on Health

Patricia Merryweather, Illinois Hospital Association

Randy Mound, Supervalu

Nancy Semerdjian, Evanston Northwestern Healthcare

Marilyn Thomas, Illinois Dept. of Public Health (project team)

*Moderators

David Carvalho convened the meeting at 10:02AM. The minutes from the Oct. 22 meeting were approved.

Jeff Johnson reported on the Privacy and Security work group. The document produced will provide guidance for the governance authority moving forward on the HIE in Illinois. The group avoided getting into too many details as they were felt to be dependent on the system to be developed. He walked the group through the document and solicited questions. The group agreed that the document contained everything they had talked about and agreed upon, including corrections incorporated by the Legal work group. The document was accepted by the group.

Marilyn Thomas then reported on the Legal work group. She outlined the three documents produced by the group and the utilization guidelines form. Thomas noted that the reference to the IL HIN was deleted, and that a disclaimer was added to urge

additional legal review if needed. Some additional minor wording was changed by two participants on the call. Due to technical issues the vote to accept the documents was delayed until the end of the meeting.

Elissa Bassler then reported on the dissemination plan. She described the purpose of the plan and its content, as well as the three-tier nature of the dissemination effort. Johnson noted that the forms would be portrayed as models, not requirements. A participant asked if the plan was meant to be implemented in a specific time frame, or if there were a target date for delivery. Johnson noted that the next phase depended on the national organization's wishes, and that the delivery was affected by other factors. A participant mentioned that the forms could be sent out electronically as well as mailed out very quickly to their members; Johnson said that the timeline might be moved to the first of January. Others agreed, noting that with the holidays most recipients might not pay attention to the content, and that there was no impact in waiting. Bassler asked for a list of specialty providers for dissemination to ease the process; Johnson said he would work on obtaining more contact information. The plan was then accepted by the group.

Carvalho returned to the Legal work group work, and the group approved the documents submitted.

Johnson then talked about the third phase of the HISPC project. Other states involved are Ohio, California and North Carolina. Illinois belonged to a collaborative during the second phase that worked on consent options. The group's work also looked at intrastate consent for HIE information exchange. In the third phase, group members will further examine the latter issue in terms of their own environment, or possibly uniform laws to govern exchanges. The group will also evaluate different approaches and review other interstate issues. A participant asked about the review structure and how the group would be constructed. Johnson said that the collaborative is scheduled to present to an alliance formed by the National Governors Association by the end of the year. He would also recommend that the researchers present their work to the HISPC IL steering committee and Legal work group so that they would be apprised of any issues that arise. Another participant also noted about the advantages of incorporating a legislative perspective early on, via either the national or local organizations of state and local legislators. Johnson noted that the plans were still in development, and that some of these issues might be incorporated later on in the process. A participant asked if the anticipated subcontract amount would be suitable to cover the work; Bassler and Johnson noted that the budget being submitted would cover all the tasks planned, and that other states were completing other parts of the work that would support that done in Illinois. He noted that the Legal work group's opinions and recommendations would be sought throughout the process. The group complimented the plan and approved its adoption. Johnson noted that approval of a subcontract for the collaborative looked very likely.

Carvalho moved on to the last agenda item, the impact report from Illinois. Johnson said that the report had already been submitted to RTI, but could be revised and resent if the

steering committee had additional concerns or other comments. He noted that substantive issues could be discussed by the committee, but typographic and/or other errors should be corrected and sent back to Johnson via e-mail.

Carvalho next provided an update on IL HB 1254. Invitations for the advisory committee will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. More information will become available after the first of the year.

A participant noted that the National Governors Association would be holding a meeting in Chicago in August, 2008 and that one of the issues they were examining was ehealth initiatives. Johnson noted that the collaborative was expected to give a report of some kind to this group.

Carvalho expressed his thanks to the group for their participation and work. He also thanked Johnson and Thomas for their efforts. The meeting ended at 11:05AM.