

Health Information Technology Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
Mar. 15, 2018	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	WEBINAR

Council Members

Allan Hackney, HITO (Co-Chair)	X	James Wadleigh, AHCT		Jeannette DeJesus	
Joseph Quaranta (Co-Chair)	X	Mark Schaefer, SIM		Lisa Stump	X
Joe Stanford, DSS	X	Bruce Metz, UCHC CIO		Jake Star	X
Miriam Delphin-Rittmon, DMHAS		Ted Doolittle, OHA	X	Patrick Charmel	X
Cindy Butterfield, DCF		Kathleen DeMatteo		Alan Kaye, MD	X
Cheryl Cepelak, DOC		David Fusco	X	Dina Berlyn	X
Vanessa Hinton, DPH	X	Nicolangelo Scibelli	X	Jennifer Macierowski	X
Dennis C. Mitchell, DDS		Patricia Checko	X	Prasad Srinivasan, MD	
Mark Raymond, CIO	X	Robert Tessier	X	Tekisha Everette	X
Sandra Czunus, OSC	X	Robert Rioux	X	Patrick Troy, MD	

Supporting Leadership

Victoria Veltri, OHS	X	Kelsey Lawlor, OHS	X	Kate Hayden, UConn Health	X
Jennifer Richmond, OHS	X	Dr. Tom Agresta, UConn Health	X		
Dino Puia, OHS	X	Alan Fontes, UCONN AIMS	X		

Open Appointments

Representative of the Connecticut State Medical Society (President Pro Tempore of Senate)

Speaker of the House of Representatives or designee

Agenda

	Topic	Responsible Party	Time
1.	Welcome & Call to Order	Kelsey Lawlor	1:00 PM
	Kelsey Lawlor welcomed the Council and called the meeting to order.		
2.	Public Comment	Attendees	1:05 PM
	There was no public comment.		
3.	Review and Approval of the February 15, 2018 Minutes	Council Members	1:07 PM
	Chair Joe Quaranta asked the Council for a motion to approve the February 15, 2018 minutes. The minutes passed unanimously with no additions or abstentions.		
4.	Legislative Update	Allan Hackney	1:10 PM
	Allan Hackney briefed the Council on four pertinent pieces of legislation currently under review by the Legislature: Senate Bill 217, Senate Bill 382, Senate Bill 465, and House Bill 5415. More information on these bills can be found on presentation slides 6-9.		
5.	Workstream Updates	Jennifer Richmond, OHS Alan Fontes, UConn AIMS Robert Blundo, AHCT	1:30 PM
	<p>Jennifer Richmond of OHS gave an update on the HIE Workstream. In terms of ongoing contracting work, she discussed the RFQ process the office is currently finalizing. She then discussed the Governance Design Group, and stated that much of the preparation work has been completed, and the group meetings will get started as soon as the consulting contracting support is finalized – estimated by the end of March. Jennifer finally updated the Council on the pending IAPD-U submission, stating that the OHS/HIT PMO is currently working with DSS to revise the IAPD-U document to realign the narrative, and the OHS/HIT PMO plans to submit their revisions to DSS by March 23rd. Another key issue that has been resolved is that DSS has received confirmation from CMS that they will not have to update the entire SMHP to align with the IAPD-U, thus speeding up the submission timeline.</p> <p>Alan Fontes of UConn AIMS then gave an update on the eQCM/CDAS Workstream. Alan stated that his team is currently reviewing software, licenses, quotes, agreements with the support of the UConn procurement team.</p>		

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The other piece is looking at securing consulting services through UConn ITS and working directly with the security director, pulling together requirements and making sure they meet the necessary standards and compliance requirements. They are also finalizing budgets to look at sustainability and utilizing benchmark services to look at prices to make sure they are standards-based to help negotiate some of the downstream costs. Alan estimated that they should be able to start producing metrics and dashboards by the end of May 2018. He stipulated that this is a big milestone to hit and an aggressive timeline.

Lisa Stump asked Alan how his team will select ACOs to contribute data to the CDAS. Alan answered that conversations with the ACOs has been ongoing. Tom Woodruff of OSC added that they anticipate that SIM will provide some financial support, and the intent is to stand up quality measures that include clinical data that could be incorporated into ACO contracts to cover our members and a broader set of members. Buy-in from them is if there is value to the ACOs meeting measures they currently cannot meet with just the claims data alone.

Valter Borges standing in for Cindy Butterfield of DCF asked if Alan would be able to share the quotes his team has received with other agencies working on similar projects. Alan confirmed that he would be able to share information.

Dr. Alan Kaye asked how the eCQM/CDAS timeline will affect the other milestones on the 2018 timeline that have already been approved by the Council. Allan Hackney answered that the streams are operating in parallel, and Alan and his team are fully funded. He will be able to complete this independently while the OHS/HIT PMO sorts out the funding and deployment for the HIE. Allan also stated that they do have partial funding on other activities for the HIE, but will have to work with DSS on the IAPD-U in order to get moving on all areas.

Robert Blundo of the APCD gave an update on the APCD Workstream. At the time of this meeting, the APCD Data Release Committee had approved three releases of data to UConn Health, Altarum, and the University of Southern California, and had five other applications in the queue. He noted that there has been sustained demand of approx. 1-2 requests per month. Rob then highlighted his focus on integrating Medicaid data into the APCD from DSS by October 2018, completing the Medicare FFS Load by the end of May 2018, finalizing consumer-facing cost transparency reports by August 2018, and finalizing cost reduction negotiations with Onpoint for APCD operations.

Patricia Checko asked Rob if this update could be shared with the committee members at the next meeting of the Data Release Committee (DRC), of which she is the Chair. Rob confirmed that he would share this update.

Patrick Charmel asked what level of detail will be available in August for the cost transparency report. Rob answered that he expects the data to on inpatient/outpatient “shop-able” services, and that there will be two phases: getting the median pricing of services in the state with cost band, and then subsequently releasing data at a facility or provider level.

6. Wrap up and Meeting Adjournment	Allan Hackney	1:55 PM
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Allan Hackney concluded the meeting and thanked participants for their patience when the webinar experienced technical difficulties. The next meeting of the Health IT Advisory Council will be on April 19, 2018 in Hearing Room 1D of the Legislative Office Building at 1pm.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule: 2018 Dates – April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19

Meeting information is located at: <http://portal.ct.gov/office-of-the-It-governor/health-it-advisory-council>