

Health IT Advisory Council

May 19, 2022



Agenda at a Glance

Agenda Item	Time
Welcome & Call to Order	1:00 PM
Public Comment	1:03 PM
<u>Council Action</u> : Approval of Minutes: April 21, 2022	1:08 PM
Connie Update	1:10 PM
Development of Connie Utilization and Performance Measures	1:20 PM
Race, Ethnicity and Language (REL) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update	1:40 PM
Announcements & General Discussion	1:55 PM
<u>Council Action</u> : Wrap Up & Meeting Adjournment	2:00 PM

Welcome and Call to Order

Public Comment

(2 minutes per commenter)

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

April 21, 2022

A photograph of a city skyline, likely Hartford, Connecticut, featuring various buildings and a church with a dome. The image is overlaid with a large, semi-transparent white triangle on the left side and a green-to-blue gradient bar on the right side.

Connie Update

Health IT Advisory Council
May 19, 2022

Jenn Searls, Executive Director



Connectivity Updates: Hospital

Health System	ADT	CCD	Lab	Rad	Trans	Img
Bristol Health	●	●	●	●	●	●
Nuvance Health (West) ¹	●	●	●	●	○	●
Nuvance Health (East) ²	●	●	●	●	○	
UConn Health	●	●	●	●	●	
Hartford Healthcare	●	●	○	○	○	
Yale New Haven Health	●	●				
Griffin Health	○	○	○	○	○	
Middlesex Health	●	○	○	○	○	
Hospital for Special Care	○	○				

¹ Includes Nuvance West Medical Group ² Includes Nuvance East medical practices



Connectivity/planning



Development



Testing



Change Control Board



Live

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Prospect (Waterbury) ¹	●	●	●	●	●	
Prospect (ECHN)	○	○	○	○	○	○
Gaylord Health	○	○	○	○	○	
The Connecticut Hospice	○	○				
Stamford Health	○	○	○	○	○	
Hebrew Senior Care						

Legal Review

Trinity Health Of New England						
Masonicare						
Silver Hill Hospital						

¹ Includes Alliance Medical Group



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Connectivity Updates: Other

EMR Hub/Organization	Pilot	Category	ADT	CCD	Access
Athena Hub (41 practices)	Avanta Clinic	EMR Hub	●	●	InContext
Glenwood Systems Hub (15)	Modern Era Peds	EMR Hub	○	○	Portal
Greenway Hub (29)	Mansfield Family Practice	EMR Hub	●	●	Portal
eCW Hub (72)		EMR Hub	○		InContext
CureMD (10)	Bridgeport Family Med	Ambulatory			Portal
American Health Tech (11)	iCare Health	EMR Hub	○	○	Portal
ProHealth Physicians		Ambulatory	●	○	
Yale Community Connect		Ambulatory	●	●	



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Onboarding Status Update

296 Live data connections

- Expanding data types (radiology, CCDs, labs, National Networks)
- 3.3 million unique consumers

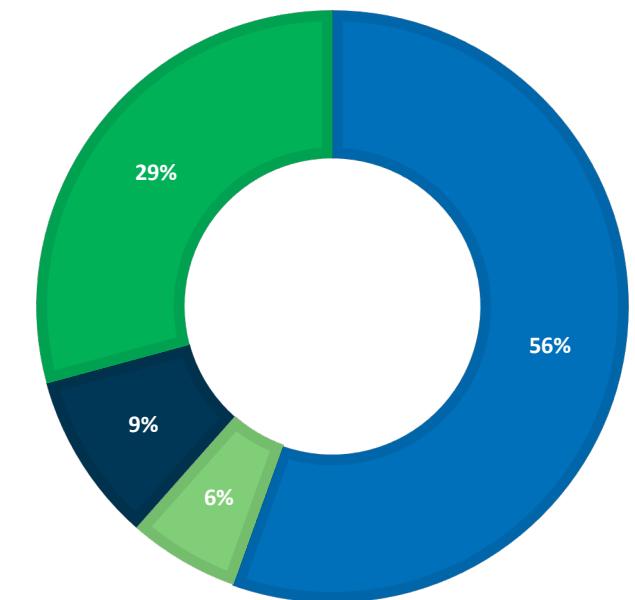
650 Trusted Data Sharing Agreements

192 in the Queue

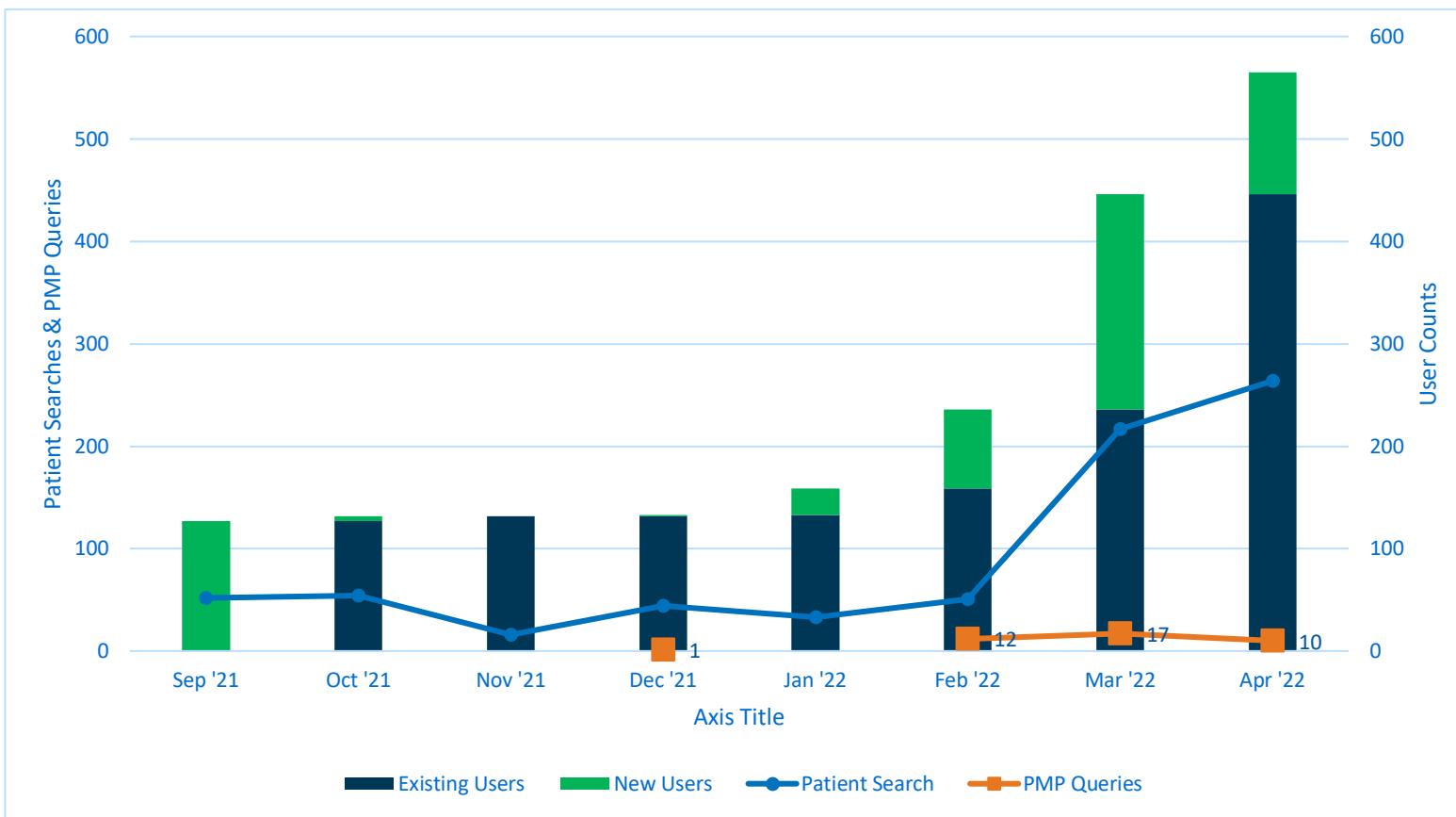
- 34 trusted data sharing agreements in active discussion stage

ORGANIZATION TYPES

■ Ambulatory ■ Hospital ■ Post Acute ■ Other

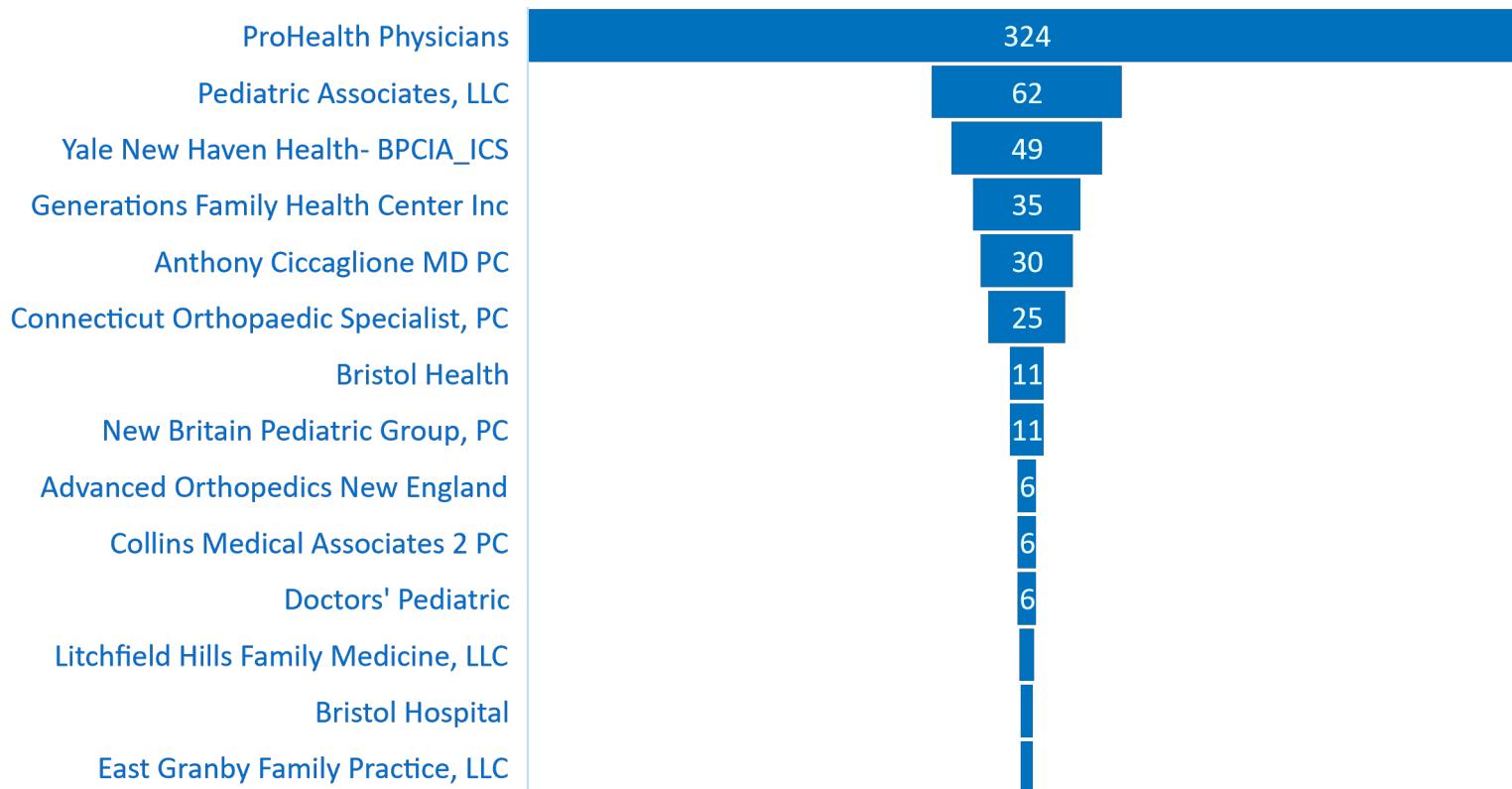


Data Access (April 2022)



Data Access (April 2022)

Connie Portal Access by Organization (April 2022)



Weekly Launches by Org

SF_Account_Name	5/2/22	4/25/22	4/18/22	4/11/22	4/4/22	3/28/22	3/21/22	3/14/22	3/7/22	2/28/22	2/21/22	2/14/22	2/7/22	1/31/22	1/24/22	1/17/22	1/10/22
Avanta Clinic LLC		1	2	13	6	3	5										
Nuvance Health	18	128	128	67	88	101	10	43	31	1	7	7		13	15	4	12
UConn Health		8	2		1	5	3	3	2	4	1	5	1	6	5	1	9
YNHH	31	88	113	4	3	11	7										
Total	49	225	245	84	98	120	25	46	33	5	8	12	1	19	20	5	21

Week

1/3/2022 5/2/2022



Account Name

Multiple selections

Affiliations

All

Account Type

All

Launch Origin

Weekly Active Users by Org

SF_Account_Name	5/2/22	4/25/22	4/18/22	4/11/22	4/4/22	3/28/22	3/21/22	3/14/22	3/7/22	2/28/22	2/2
Avanta Clinic LLC		1	1	2	1	1	2				
Nuvance Health	12	52	43	43	60	49	6	17	6	1	
UConn Health		5	1		1	5	3	3	2	3	
YNHH	1	1	2	1	1	4	2				
Total	13	59	47	46	63	59	13	20	8	4	

User List



Other Updates

- **Patient-Centered Consumer Outreach**
 - RFQ on Connie website
 - Proposals due by June 1
- **BPMH**
 - Development of UI for Connie portal
- **HCBS Project**
 - Use case development with DSS
- **Clinical Advisory Committee**
 - 2nd meeting + Connie Tour
 - Feedback on eReferrals use case
- **Privacy, Security & Confidentiality Committee**
 - Planning work continues

Questions?

Development of Connie Utilization and Performance Measures

Jenn Searls, Connie & Michael Matthews



Development of Connie Utilization Measures

Connie vision: *“...bring tangible, meaningful and sustainable value to stakeholders”*

Project scope: develop utilization measures roadmap and action plan for Connie that enables the organization to determine the extent to which it is meeting the above value proposition

Project support:

- Michael Matthews, Project Lead
- UCONN Health (Dr. Agresta and Rachel Rusnak), Data and Analytics



General Framework

Users

Usage

Usefulness



Project Phases

Phase 1: Environmental scan of HIE utilization measures

Phase 2: Development of utilization measures roadmap for both immediate implementation and longer-term aspirational measures

Phase 3: Action plan defining timelines, milestones and responsibilities for immediate-term utilization measures



Phase 1: Environmental Scan

- Literature Review
- Current state analysis
- Key informant interviews
- Report of findings



Phase 1: Timeline

May: Project kickoff

June – July: Data collection

August: Final report and Phase 2 initiation

Questions?

Race, Ethnicity and Language (REL) American Rescue Plan Act Update

Adrian Texidor, OHS

Race, Ethnicity & Language ARPA Update

Background

- American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)
 - Federal COVID-19 relief bill
 - Approx. \$6 billion distributed to Connecticut (\$2.6b for state government programs)
- REL Mandate – Efforts to date
- OHS/DSS REL ARPA Concept to support **C.G.S. Sec. 19a-754d**
- Anticipated Roadmap for REL ARPA project

Refresher: Race, Ethnicity & Language Mandate

C.G.S. Sec. 19a-754d: An Act Equalizing Comprehensive Access to Mental, Behavioral and Physical Health Care in Response to the Pandemic

- Mandate went into effect on January 1, 2022
- Applies to any state agency, board, or commission that collects or contracts with an entity to collect race, ethnicity or primary language data for health care or public health purposes to collect REL Data according to the REL Data Standards and Implementation Guide
- OHS is the entity responsible for developing the REL Data Standards and Implementation Guide(<https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/HIT-Work-Groups/Race-Ethnicity-and-Language>)
- Health Information Exchange—mandates health providers with electronic health records (EHR) connected to the statewide health information exchange (Connie) to provide patient self-reported race, ethnicity, primary language. Two additional data points should be collected: insurance and disability status

REL Mandate: Efforts to Date

- OHS developed & published version 1 REL Standards and Implementation Guide for providers and impacted state agencies;
- Connecticut Health Foundation and Yale University's Equity Research and Innovation Center holding series of convenings to educate and support providers and impacted state agencies with implementation of REL data collection
- OHS organizing convenings for state agencies to address unique agency needs
- Ongoing collaborations to develop version 2 of Standards and Implementation Guide

OHS/DSS REL ARPA Concept

- Request for \$1.5m in ARPA funds over two years to support **C.G.S. Sec. 19a-754d**

Purpose(s):

- To support the overarching goal of PA 21-35 to achieve a 70% reduction in disparities by 2025 through better data collection and dissemination; specifically through:
 - updating OHS & DSS systems to enable collection of patient self-reported REL data; and
 - creating health equity dashboard

Anticipated REL ARPA Project Roadmap

FY23 | \$500k

- Continued stakeholder engagement
- Discussions with DSS/OHS re: systems upgrade
- Analysis of OHS and DSS systems
- Secure resources to develop REL standards & implementation guide v2;
- Secure resources for project management

FY24 | \$650k

- Project management;
- Integration of OHS & DSS systems & system upgrades of remaining identified OHS and DSS systems;
- Build connection to HIE (Connie) to provide REL data to State;
- Secure health equity dashboard & dashboard expertise
- Deploy REL-based health equity dashboard

Next Steps: Progress Update to HITAC in August

Announcements & General Discussion

Dr. Joe Quaranta, Council Members

Wrap Up and Meeting Adjournment

Next Meeting Date:
June 16, 2022

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