

Health Information Technology Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
July 18, 2019	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Web Conference:	<p>Join the Zoom Webinar from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: https://zoom.us/j/713572476</p> <p>One tap mobile: +16468769923,,713572476# US (New York) +16699006833,,713572476# US (San Jose)</p> <p>Dial by your location: +1 646 876 9923 US (New York) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)</p> <p>Meeting ID: 713 572 476</p>

Council Members

Allan Hackney, HITO (Co-Chair)	X	Sandra Czunas, OSC	X	Jeanette DeJesus	
Joseph Quaranta (Co-Chair)		Mark Schaefer, SIM	X	Robert Blundo, AHCT	
Joe Stanford, DSS	X	Bruce Metz, UCHC CIO	X	Lisa Stump	
Mary Kate Mason, DMHAS		Ted Doolittle, OHA	X	Patrick Charmel	
Cindy Butterfield, DCF	X	David Fusco	x	Alan Kaye, MD	X
Cheryl Cepelak, DOC		Nicolangelo Scibelli		Dina Berlyn	X
Vanessa Hinton, DPH	X	Patricia Checko		Tekisha Everette	
Dennis C. Mitchell, DDS	X	Robert Tessier		Patrick Troy, MD	
Mark Raymond, CIO	X	Robert Rioux		Stacy Beck	X
		Lewis Bower		William Petit, MD	

Supporting Leadership

Victoria Veltri, OHS		Alan Fontes, UCONN AIMS		Michael Matthews, CedarBridge	
Sean Fogarty, OHS	X	Tom Agresta, MD, UConn Health	X	Chris Robinson, CedarBridge	X
Tina Kumar, OHS	X	Kate Hayden, UConn Health			

Agenda

	Topic	Responsible Party	Time
1.	Welcome & Call to Order	Allan Hackney	1:00 PM
2.	Public Comment Comment: Supriyo "SB" Chatterjee (SIM task force group): Announced he will have prepared comments/questions and will circle back before the following HIT Advisory Meeting,	Attendees	1:05 PM
3.	Review and Approval of May 16, 2019 Minutes Review and Approval of 5.16 meeting minutes will be deferred to at the next meeting due to lack of quorum (-1).	Council Members	1:10 PM
4.	Review of Final Recommendations of <i>Medication Reconciliation & Polypharmacy Work Group</i>	Sean M. Jeffery, Thomas Agresta, Nathaniel Rickles	1:15 PM
	In accordance to Special Act 18-6, the <i>Medication Reconciliation & Polypharmacy Work Group</i> Work Group wrapped up their		

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statutory obligation for the HIT Advisory Council and Public Health Committee.

Members from the *Medication Reconciliation & Polypharmacy Work Group*- Sean Jeffery, Dr. Thomas Agresta, and Nathaniel Rickles presented an overview of *The Final Recommendations of the MRP Work Group* to the HIT Advisory Council.

The MRP overview can be found: [here](#) (pgs. 7-24).

Among the 11 recommendations presented from the MRP work group, the final was to recommend that the MRP Work Group be re-chartered as a standing committee of the Health IT Advisory Council, and that an evaluation of membership occur to ensure continuity and appropriate stakeholder representation are maintained.

lack of quorum for motion

Allan Hackney commented that terrific work was performed by the body of the MRP group, and opened the floor to questions/comments.

Alan Kaye commented that this was “good work” done by the MRP group. Kaye also questioned, “what does a standing-subcommittee mean? How is it proposed into what we (HIT Council) do?”

Allan Hackney answered that under current statutory construct for the HIT advisory council, there has been 2 standing subcommittees:

- 1) MRP: in statute had a *time limit* and the obligation of group was only through June 30 2019.
- 2) APCD Advisory Group has a statutory mandate in terms of what the *objectives* are.

Having the MRP work group as part of the HIT Advisory Council, ensures that recommendations that come forward will be brought back to advisory council for their affirmation (when appropriate), for review and consideration.

This structure ensures that the HIT Advisory Council is a part of the discussion for any of the subcommittees.

The MRP group has recommended as their last recommendation was to re charter themselves, to be a non-statutory to the

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	<p>advisory council to continue their good work to turn their recommendations into action.</p> <p>Dr. Agresta agreed, that statutory nature of groups confines it to a scope, where it should be flexible, and action oriented as a part of the work. It should also aim to focus on technological activities that are available to us.</p> <p>Alan Kaye asked if the HIT council would determine the body of what is included in HIE for Medication Reconciliation?</p> <p>Or if this will be the body that will oversee and recommend what goes into it.</p> <p>Allan Hackney answered that the APCD advisory group has certain statutory guidelines of what to follow.</p> <p>In the case of the MRP, they would bring their expectations to HIT council for their review and affirmation, as they are the experts.</p> <p>No additional comments or questions followed.</p>		
5.	Announcements	Allan Hackney	1:50 PM
	<p>Allan Hackney: A surprise, and well anticipated announcement was made by Co-Chair Allan Hackney. Allan pronounced that as of July 17, 2019 The Articles of Incorporation have been signed by Secretary McCaw (OPM) and Vicki Veltri (OHS).</p> <p>Please refer to (pgs. 26-29) of this announcement here.</p> <p>A corporate name, "The Health Information Alliance, Inc." has been established, after formulating responses from stakeholder surveys around the state. The "Alliance," was captured in the name, as it evoked alignments of interest.</p> <p>The brand name will not be disclosed at the moment, as it still needs to be approved by the board of directors.</p> <p>The Health Information Alliance, creates a non-profit, non-governmental entity to house the HIE services. The structure of the HIE Board of Directors are in progress. There are a few pending appointees.</p> <p>The status of where we stand on board appointments is hopeful to be finalized next week.</p>		

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	<p>Congratulations were offered, as this is an indeed exciting milestone!</p> <p>Joe Stanford presented an updated on the IAPD status, with its requirement to respond to CMS by the end of July.</p> <p>The questions of how DSS and OHS are going to collaborate on efforts to meet CMS deadlines, have been determined by allowing DSS to take the lead on specific questions, as will OHS take the lead on some of the other questions.</p> <p>Alan Kaye commented that this is also another positive development and will lead us in the right direction going forward.</p>		
6.	Wrap up and Meeting Adjournment	Allan Hackney	2:30 PM
	Allan Hackney requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Allan made the motion, Vanessa Hinton seconded. There were none opposed to adjournment, so the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.		

Upcoming Meeting Schedule: August 15, 2019

Meeting information is located at: <https://portal.ct.gov/OHS/HIT-Work-Groups/Health-IT-Advisory-Council>