



HIE Policy Board Meeting

July 20, 2017

Agenda



- **Roll Call [10:00 – 10:05 AM]**
- **Announcement of Quorum [10:05 AM]**
- **Review and Approval of Minutes [10:05 AM]**
- **DHCF HIT/HIE Staff Reports [10:05 – 10:30 AM]**
- **HIE Designation: Review Concepts [10:30 – 11:15 AM]**
- **Enhanced HIE Demonstration [11:15 – 11:45 AM]**
- **Public Comment [11:45 – 11:55 AM]**
- **Next Steps & Adjournment [12:00 PM]**

BOARD ACTION – Approval of Minutes



- Vote on April 20, 2017 HIE Policy Board Meeting Minutes

DC HIE: Our Vision & Mission



Vision

To advance health and wellness for all persons in the District of Columbia by providing actionable information whenever and wherever it is needed.

Mission

To facilitate and sustain the engagement of all stakeholders in the secure exchange of useful and usable health-related information to promote health equity, enhance care quality, and improve outcomes in the District of Columbia.



DHCF HIT/HIE STAFF REPORTS

HIT Staff Introductions



- Erin Holve, HCRIA Director
- Noah Smith, Program Manager
 - Emergency care and HIT policy for Federal government
- Eduarda Koch, Project Manager, EHR Incentive Program
 - Meaningful Use Coordinator for Children's National
- Deniz Soyer, Project Manager, HIT/HIE
 - Health & Medicaid data analysis, formerly with HCPRA
- Vacant CS-13 Management Analyst, HIE (offer pending)
 - Private sector consulting and FQHC administration

Proposed FY17 Board Activities and Deliverables



HIEPB Ongoing Tasks & Roles

- Set Priorities
- Gather feedback from key stakeholders
- Provide resources and connections, including guest presenters
- Serve as ambassadors of DC HIE programs



HIEPB Activities & Deliverables

- SMHP and Environmental Scan **(September '17)**
- HIE designation legislation guidance & **report (July-September '17)**
- My Health GPS Data subgroup & **report (ongoing)**
- Sustainability Committee outreach & **report (November '17)**



HIEPB Recommendations

- Mission, vision, and long-term goals (Oct '16)
- FY17 priorities (Nov '16)
- DC HIE designation requirements (Feb '17 – July '17)
- Feedback on HIE Tool DDI (April & July 2017)
- Sustainability Special Session (August '17)
- Core set of use cases (September '17)
- FY18/19 IAPD projects (September '17)
- Long-term Stakeholder Engagement Plan (December '17)
- High-level Sustainability Plan (December '17)

Special Session on HIE Sustainability and SMHP



- Special Meeting of HIE Policy Board on Sustainability and State Medicaid Health IT Plan (SMHP)
 - Look out for an availability email from us for mid-August meeting!
- The Sustainability Subcommittee will present finding from interviews
- Clinovations GovHealth will present progress on the SMHP, including interviews and focus groups
- An opportunity for HIEPB to review findings from sustainability stakeholder outreach interviews and provide feedback on SMHP draft

We're Out in the Community Meeting with HIT/HIE Stakeholders!



Organization	Interview Date	Status
Kaiser Permanente	12/4/2016	Completed
BridgePoint Hospital	1/30/2017	Completed
AmeriHealth Caritas	3/16/2017	Completed
CareFirst	4/25/2017	Completed
DC Department of Behavioral Health	6/5/2017	Completed
D.C. Nursing Association	6/12/2017	Completed
Children's IQ Network (CIQN)	6/13/2017	Completed
Unity Healthcare	6/20/2017	Completed
District of Columbia Public Schools, Student Wellness	6/22/2017	Completed
Trusted Health Plan	6/26/2017	Completed
MedStar Health	6/29/2017	Completed
Fire and Emergency Medical Services	6/29/2017	Completed
D.C. Hospital Association	6/29/2017	Completed
United Medical Center	6/30/2017	Completed
George Washington University, Milken Institute School of Public Health	6/30/2017	Completed
Gerald Family Care	7/6/2017	Completed
Providence Hospital	7/14/2017	Completed
DC Primary Care Association	7/19/2017	Scheduled
GW Medical Faculty Associates (MFA)	7/24/2017	Scheduled
DC Department of Health	8/3/2017	Scheduled

State Medicaid Health Information Technology Plan (SMHP)

- Clinovations GovHealth is supporting DHCF in the development of a complete revision of the SMHP
 - Conducting Environmental scan of existing sources of data and collecting additional data
 - Organizing, facilitating, or supporting meetings and focus groups to collect feedback and input from community stakeholders and consumers
 - Preparing narrative content as well as graphs/visuals

SMHP is One Opportunity to Reframe the Conversation on HIT/HIE in the District



HIT/HIE
Implementation
(Process)

Practice Transformation
& Improvement
(Outcomes)

Progress to date on SMHP Revision

- SMHP outline and first section drafted
- Conducted 15 in-person stakeholder interviews:

Agencies	Payers	Associations	Hospitals	Small Practices	FQHCs
3	4	2	4	1	1

- Focus groups scheduled for next week
 - District residents and Medicaid beneficiaries, ambulatory and safety net providers, behavioral health providers
 - *Special Topic:* Health equity and social determinants of health
- Emerging SMHP themes
 - EHR adoption and value to practice is rising in the District
 - Data accessibility and poor quality contributes to lack of buy-in
 - Data analytics infrastructure is needed for value based purchasing
 - More to come next month!

Medicaid EHR Incentive Program (MEIP) – Deadline Extended to August 31!



- Five-year outreach contract with DCPCA and Zane Networks
 - Technical assistance to select EHR and attest for MEIP
- Providers can receive up to \$63,750 for full participation in the MEIP
 - Including \$21,250 to adopt, implement or upgrade (AIU)
- Requirements:
 - MD/DO, Dentist, NP, or Nurse Midwife
 - Medicaid patient volume threshold 30% (20% for pediatric)
 - AIU federally certified health IT by August 31 – *deadline extended!*
- More information on technical assistance:
 - Contact eHealthDC staff directly at contact@e-healthdc.org or 202-552-2331
- Please help us spread the word!



Interested in assistance with the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program?

eHealthDC, a program of the [District of Columbia Primary Care Association](#), is partnering with the DC Department of Health Care Finance to provide free technical assistance for assisting providers and practice administrators with the adoption and Meaningful Use of Electronic Health Records.

Whether you've not yet adopted an EHR, or are on your way to Meaningful Use Stage 3, our experienced Health IT Specialists are available to help you maximize your EHR incentive payments and make the most of your EHR.

Providers who commit to adopting an EHR and successfully attest through the DC Medicaid EHR Incentive Program (MEIP) before June 30, 2017 are eligible to receive up to \$63,750 in Meaningful Use incentive payments over 6 years.

Get in touch with us!

To start the process, please fill out the form below for your practice's main point of contact and our team will be in touch soon to discuss your eligibility and arrange a consultation.

Organization/ Practice Name

Last Name

Progress on MEIP Outreach Efforts Since March 2017



- Identified universe of MEIP Eligible Professionals (EPs)
 - Over 1,600 providers that likely meet the 30% Medicaid patient volume threshold
- Conducted targeted outreach activity based on provider Medicaid claims volume and/or practice size
- Results (since March 2017)
 - Over 1,600 providers have been contacted thru mailings, phone calls, or in-person outreach
 - Over 800 providers have been engaged in a conversation about MEIP
 - 58 providers have signed up to receive technical assistance!

HIT/HIE IAPD Submission



- Last IAPD-U submitted in January 2017 and approved in March 2017
 - Enhanced HIE Grant
 - HIT TA and Outreach Contract
 - Contract MEIP services and staff
- **Continuation** IAPD-U will be submitted next week to ensure ongoing services into FY18
 - HIE grant to be extended (without scope or cost increase) through the calendar year
 - Allow DHCF to exercise option year on TA/Outreach contract
 - MEIP contract continues through March 2018
- **New** IAPD will be submitted in early CY18 with innovative HIT and HIE proposals
 - Developed by DHCF and stakeholders between now and October
 - DHCF welcomes input from HIE Policy Board on project priorities and opportunities to build on current HIE infrastructure. *This is the focus of the September meeting.*



HIE DESIGNATION: REVIEW OF DRAFT RULES

HIE Designation Subcommittee



- **Subcommittee Members:**

- Andersen Andrew (DOH)
- Christian Barrera (EOM)
- Evan Carter (CRISP)
- Dena Hasan (DHS)
- Brian Jacobs (CNMC)
- Katheryn Lawrence (DCAS)
- Mike Noshay (Verinovum)
- Justin Palmer (DC Hospital Association)
- LaRah Payne (DHCF)
- Donna Ramos-Johnson (DCPCA)
- Barney Krucoff (OCTO)

- **Monthly subcommittee meetings**

- 5 Meetings to date: 3/21, 4/11, 4/27, 6/29, 7/13
- Next meeting: TBD

HIE Designation Subcommittee



Mission

Provide recommendations to DHCF regarding the establishment of a formal Designation process for HIEs operating in the District.

Goals

Elicit feedback on specific Designation requirements (e.g., Technical, Privacy, Security, etc.) and make recommendations to the HIE Policy Board regarding the legislative process.

Defining a Structure for the DC HIE



- **Create a more defined structure for the DC HIE by:**
 - Establishing a Core Set of Standards – Ensure HIEs are able and willing to meet District standards and expectations for exchange.
 - Formalizing Partnerships – Facilitate a more direct level of cooperation between the District Government and current HIE assets.
 - Streamlining the District's Ability to Provide Resources – Allow District to be more nimble in responding to rapidly changing technology, policies, and HIE needs of stakeholders.
- **Ensure sustainable exchange of health information** in support of the District's health reform efforts.

HIE Designation Subcommittee: Current Activity



- Developed formal definition of HIE
- Reviewed other states' approaches to HIE designation
 - Including Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Minnesota
- Used Maryland regulations as foundation for District's regulations
- In late May received approval to proceed to developing Rules
 - Developed 1st draft of rules; currently revising

HIE Designation Subcommittee: Timeline, Next Steps



- Preliminary draft of HIE designation rule (June/July 2017)
- Incorporate feedback from HIE Policy Board (July 2017)
- Draft HIE designation rule (July/Early August 2017)
- Commence internal circulation (Late August 2017)
- External Review and Public Comment (September – December 2017)
- Publish to register (January 2018)

BOARD ACTION: HIE Designation



1. Provide feedback on two-step registration and designation process
2. Provide feedback on how the rules should:
 - Enable existing HIEs to continue operation
 - Encourage new HIEs to enter the market
3. Conduct vote to recommend that DHCF adopt draft HIE definitions

Draft HIE Related Definitions



Terminology	Definition
Health Information Exchange (v.)	The mobilization of health-related information in a secure and electronic manner across organizations within a region, community or health system.
The DC HIE	The statewide health information exchange (HIE) is an interoperable system of certified and designated HIE Entities that facilitates person-centered care through the secure electronic exchange of health-related information among participating organizations in support of a District-wide health data infrastructure.
Participating Organization	An entity that enters into an agreement with an HIE that governs the terms and conditions under which its authorized users may use, access, or disclose protected health information through the HIE.
HIE Entity	An entity that creates or maintains an infrastructure that provides organizational and technical capabilities in an interoperable system for the secure electronic exchange of health-related information among participating organizations not under common ownership.

Registered HIE Draft Definition



Terminology	Definition	Rationale for Requirement (by DCHF on behalf of District Residents)	Value Proposition (for Participants)
<p>Registered HIE</p>	<p>A HIE Entity that has applied for and received registration from the Department of Health Care Finance in accordance with Title 29 DCMR XXXX.</p> <p>In general, a Registered HIE is a HIE Entity operating in the District of Columbia that has met or exceeded the privacy, security and interoperability requirements of Title 29 DCMR XXXX.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Bolsters public trust by defining characteristics and requirements that we believe facilitate secure, timely exchange 2) Defines stakeholders with whom to establish roles, responsibilities and opportunities for certified entities 3) Facilitates long-term interoperability via trusted exchange framework 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Brand Recognition. Good housekeeping seal of approval (may have benefits in the market) by identifying certified entities as part of the DC HIE. 2) Formal participation in the DC HIE. Provides a 'seat at the table' to define structure of the DC HIE and weigh in on potential benefits of certification.

Designated HIE Draft Definition



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ENHANCED HIE DEMONSTRATION AND DISCUSSION

BOARD ACTION: HIE Demonstration



- Provide recommendations on key design questions



PUBLIC COMMENT



NEXT STEPS

BOARD ACTION – Motion to Adjourn



- Vote to Adjourn Today's Meeting



**NEXT MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 21, 2017 10AM-NOON**