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HIT Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2014

Attendees:

- *Chair - Lynette Dickson, Center for Rural Health
- *Vice Chair - Dan Kelly, McKenzie County Healthcare Systems
- *Todd Bortke, St. Alexius Medical Center
- *Barb Groutt, ND Healthcare Review (QIO)
- *Courtney Koebele, ND Medical Association
- *Jim Long, West River Health System
- *Mike Ressler, Information Technology Department
- *Tami Ternes, Governor's Office
- *Jenny Witham, Dept. of Human Services
- *Jerry Jurena/Tim Blasl, ND Hospital Association
- *Janis Cheney, AARP
- *Shelly Peterson/ Jennifer, Long Term Care Association
- *Darin Meschke, Dept. of Health
- *Dave Molmen/Mark Waind, Altru Health Systems
- Tory Brabant, DHS
- Robin Hirsch, ITD
- Tina Gagner, RN, ITD
- Chad Peterson, ITD
- Sheldon Wolf, HIT Director – ITD

Not Present:

- *Troy Aswege, BCBSND
 - *Senator Lee, ND Legislature
 - *Laurie Peters, ND Health Information Mgrs. Assoc.
 - *Shelly Peterson/ Jennifer, Long Term Care Association
 - *Representative Robin Weisz, ND Legislature
 - *Lisa Clute/Lois Mackey, First District Health
 - *Lisa Feldner, NDUS
 - *Neil Frame, Metro Area Ambulance
 - *Caryn Hewitt, Sanford Health
- *denotes appointed HIT Advisory Committee members or their designee*

- 1) **Approval of Agenda**
 - a. **No changes.**

- 2) **Consent Agenda**
 - a) Dan Kelly moved approval of the February 11, 2015 Minutes, second by Courtney Koebele. Motion approved unanimously.

- 3) **NDHIN**
 - VA Direct Update
 - a. Currently testing Direct with the Veterans Administration. It is set up so we will be able to email information using Direct Secure Messaging. Email addresses are not in our directory yet, but we are looking for a way to include them.
 - b. Healthway Certification Agreement has been signed off on. We came to agreement with them regarding Direct Liability and it now meets State Law.
 - c. Imaging – Trinity is set test environment. Ten connections are available across ND.
 - User Group Webinar – 3-12-2015 @ 12:00 Noon CT
 - <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/980646217/105750742>
 - 1-626-544-0058 Access Code 957-301-869
 - a. Robin will send out an email with the link and the agenda items.

- 4) **Advanced Interoperability Health Information Technology Services Cooperative Agreement**
 - We are working on putting together an application for this cooperative agreement opportunity. We have had some conversation with other states and have had discussions with QHA on training and workflow. We plan to work with meaningful use eligible critical access hospital and eligible professionals) and two groups that are not required to meet meaningful use - long term care and behavioral health. We are also looking to see if we can include the medication area. April 6th is when it needs to be written up by.
 - Tory and Sheldon are having some conversation tomorrow with Medicaid to see if we can get some additional funding through that process.

- 5) **Legislative Update**
 - Sheldon presented a legislative update. Information can be found on the HITAC website at: http://www.healthit.nd.gov/?attachment_id=3856

- 6) **Upcoming Meetings**
 - HIMSS 2015 – April 12-16 – Chicago –
 - a. Registration will be coming out on a Luncheon for the ND, SD, NE, WY, MT chapters on Wednesday of that week.
 - Dakota Conference – June 2-4 – Grand International Hotel, Minot, ND
 - ND HIMSS Meeting – June 24 & 25 – Fargo

- 7) **Tele-Health Workgroup**
 - Update
 - a. House Bill 1038 is working its way through the process and is being monitored by the Tele-health workgroup.

- 8) **Finance Domain Workgroup**

- Next meeting is March 31, 2015 @ 10:00 AM CT North Dakota Hospital Association

9) REACH

- 322 Eligible providers and 27 critical access hospital have achieved Meaningful Use Stage 1
- REACH will offer additional services for those that have not yet achieved meaningful use stage 1 and some services may have a fee.
- Some assistance may be available for Stage II and III for eligible providers.

10) Medicaid

- EHR Incentive program is wrapping up payments for 2014. Seventeen hospitals attest for either Stage I or II and we paid out over 3 million to those 17. For eligible professionals there have been 54 attestations. The total paid is just over 20 million to eligible hospitals and professionals.
- DHS is gearing up to go live with the new MMIS. There will be a series of educational letters coming out from DHS.

11) Adjourned at 2:08