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## **HIT Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

### **Attendees:**

- \*Chair - Lynette Dickson, Center for Rural Health
- \*Janis Cheney, AARP
- \*Barb Groutt, ND Healthcare Review (QIO)
- \*Courtney Koebele, ND Medical Association
- \*Laurie Peters, ND Health Information Mgrs. Assoc.
- \*Sharon German, Sanford Health
- \*Darin Meschke, Dept. of Health
- \*Tami Ternes, Governor's Office
- \*Lisa Feldner, NDUS
- \*Troy Aswege, BCBSND
- \*Tory Brabandt, DHS
- \*Janis Cheney, AARP
- \*Jim Long, West River Health System
- \*Jerry Jurena/Tim Blasl, ND Hospital Association
- \*Shelly Peterson/ Pamela Thompson, Long Term Care Association
- Mike Mullen, Special Attorney General
- Tina Gagner, RN, ITD
- Robin Hirsch, ITD
- Sheldon Wolf, HIT Director – ITD
- Alicia Baumann, Admin Assistant, ITD

### **Not Present:**

- \*Vice Chair - Dan Kelly, McKenzie County Healthcare Systems
- \*Mike Ressler, Information Technology Department
- \*Dave Molmen/Mark Waind, Altru Health Systems
- \*Neil Frame, Metro Area Ambulance
- \*Lisa Clute/Lois Mackey, First District Health
- \*Senator Lee, ND Legislature
- \*Representative Robin Weisz, ND Legislature
- \*Jenny Witham, Dept. of Human Services
- \*Todd Bortke, CHI St. Alexius Medical Center

*\*denotes appointed HIT Advisory Committee members or their designee*

**1) Approval of Agenda**

- a) No changes

**2) Consent Agenda**

- a) Approval of June 10, 2015 Minutes. There was a small typo in Section 4a of the minutes from June. Moved by Courtney Koebele to approve with change. Second by Tim Blasl. Motion passed unanimously.

**3) NDHIN Update**

- a) As of June 27, 2015, the NDHIN has 719,999 unique patient records in the system, 1,183 enabled active accounts for user accounts, 248 long-ins into the system and they accessed 942 different records. During the week, we had 11 million rhapsody transactions.
- b) For the image exchange, Altru is in production and Trinity has completed user acceptance training. Trinity will move into production shortly. Please let us know of anyone else that wants to start exchanging images.
- c) We have been contacted by Orion health about chronic care case management. They would like to do a presentation either Wednesday or Friday about these services. They are looking to provide the services and share the revenue with providers who would do the billing. Please let Sheldon know if you are interested.
- d) Orion is working with a medication vendor to get medication into the system. When they have worked through this process, we will provide more information.

**4) Personnel Update**

- a) Made an offer to fill Chad's position, the individual hired will start on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Once he has notified his employer, Sheldon will send out a notice on who has accepted the position. He has experience in the rhapsody engine and experience working with the healthcare arena. He will be a good addition to NDHIN.

**5) Revolving Loans**

- a) St. Luke's Hospital is asking for \$332,766 to switch to Centric from Classic. Linton hospital is asking \$652,897 to switch from Centric to Classic. Cooperstown is asking for \$196,996 to go to Altru's Epic System. If we do approve the Cooperstown loan, I would recommend that it is contingent on a signed agreement with Altru. The Pharmacy Association is asking for \$120,070 to complete a system upgrade on their MTM system to incorporate HL7 capabilities. St. Gerard's Nursing Home is asking for \$150,194 to purchase an EHR system from American Health Tech. Sheldon recommends approving the loans with the contingency

that Cooperstown sign an agreement with Altru and making the funds available at the time requested by the facilities. Lisa moved to approve the loans with the contingencies and Courtney seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Courtney Koebele moved to allow Sheldon to review and approve the readiness assessments on behalf of HITAC unless there was an issue with the readiness assessment. Those with issues would be brought back to HITAC for discussion and approval. Lisa Feldner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**6) ONC Cooperative Agreement Update**

a) Sheldon called ONC earlier this week and the only response was that there would be an announcement soon in regards to the application.

**7) REACH**

a) Through May, 332 eligible professionals and 27 critical access hospitals have achieved Stage 1 of meaningful use.

**8) Medicaid**

a) EHR incentive program, NDDHS is trying to get all of the payments made by the end of July. NDDHS is accepting Medicaid attestations at this time. Please note that the 2014 flexibility rule is still in effect.

**9) Other Business**

a) No further business

**10) Adjourned at 2:38PM**