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HIT Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

August 12th, 2015

Attendees:

- *Chair - Lynette Dickson, Center for Rural Health
- *Vice Chair - Dan Kelly, McKenzie County Healthcare Systems
- *Janis Cheney, AARP
- *Barb Groutt, ND Healthcare Review (QIO)
- *Courtney Koebele, ND Medical Association
- *Sharon German, Sanford Health
- *Tami Ternes, Governor's Office
- *Troy Aswege, BCBSND
- *Tory Brabandt, DHS
- *Janis Cheney, AARP
- *Jim Long, West River Health System
- *Jerry Jurena/Tim Blasl, ND Hospital Association
- *Mike Ressler, Information Technology Department
- Mike Mullen, Special Attorney General
- Tina Gagner, RN, ITD
- Robin Hirsch, ITD
- Eric Hieb, ITD
- Sheldon Wolf, HIT Director – ITD
- Alicia Baumann, Admin Assistant, ITD
- Chad Peterson, Koble-MN

Not Present:

- *Laurie Peters, ND Health Information Mgrs. Assoc.
- *Shelly Peterson/ Pamela Thompson, Long Term Care Association
- *Darin Meschke, Dept. of Health
- *Lisa Feldner, NDUS
- *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 for the current agenda

2) Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of Minutes, July 8th, 2015. Moved by Dan Kelly to approve. Second by Courtney Koebele. Motion passed unanimously
- b) Readiness Assessments Approved by Health IT Director over the last month.
- Linton
 - St. Luke's Hospital

3) NDHIN Update

- a) Image exchanges set up in production for Trinity and Altru. Currently have over 730,000 unique patient records in the NDHIN. Logins and accesses are holding steady and we do anticipate it to go up due to Robin completing training with various providers in the state. Single sign-on has been completed with Mid Dakota. Working on completing and testing interfaces with critical access hospitals. Working on -switching interfaces for Healthland providers from Classic to Centriq.

4) Personnel Update

- a) Eric Hieb joins us this week and his background is from the Department of Health. Eric worked as the Assistant Lab Director. He has experience working the Rhapsody engine and the interfaces and is familiar with a lot of our healthcare providers. Eric is a great addition to our team.

5) ONC Cooperative Agreement Update

- a) We were not selected for the ONC Cooperative agreement. They had over 38 applications to participate and they selected to fund only 12 applications.

6) KOBLE-MN/HIE

- a) Chad Peterson, representing Koble – MN presented an opportunity to see if we can work together and expand on the HIE serves, working with him, in Minnesota. Chad started the Koble group, LLC, Koble is Norwegian for connect. They have offices in Minot and Grand Forks. Their focus is HIE services, HIE consulting services and Healthcare managed services.

Koble has applied to be a certified HIO in Minnesota. Minnesota has two tiers of certification, health information organization and health data intermediary. The HDI is mostly vendors and small HIE's. Koble is going through the certification process as a HIO. Koble has also started a non-profit company called the National Alliance for Health Information Exchange. Koble would like NDHIN to join this HIO and be a participant of the Koble Minnesota HIO. This is an opportunity to leverage the work NDHIN has done and carry it over into the other places that ND Providers are doing business.

Koble is also looking to set up a multi-tenant HIE to share costs and services that are common to the different HIE's. Orion Health's goal is to have the National Alliance for Health Information Exchange be the first tenant in the environment. Koble is asking that NDHIN be part of the beginning of this multi-state HIE.

Dan Kelly moved that Chad and Sheldon talk with Altru, Sanford, Essentia and CHI regarding the proposal to determine if this approach makes sense before moving forward. Seconded by Courtney Koebele. Motion carried unanimously.

7) NASCIO -

a) We were a NASCIO finalist in the Cross Boundary Collaboration and Partnerships category. The press release is at:
<http://www.nascio.org/Newsroom/ArtMID/484/ArticleID/132/NASCIO-Recognizes-Outstanding-Achievements-in-State-IT-Finalists-Announced-for-2015-NASCIO-State-IT-Recognition-Awards>

8) REACH

a) No updates at this time

9) Medicaid

a) No updates at this time

10) EHealth Summit – November 18th (HIMSS Social – Evening of November 17th)

a) Will be held in Bismarck, ND at the Radisson Hotel. Mark your calendar. If anyone has suggestions for topics for the planning committee please send those to Sheldon or Robin and they will send on to the committee.

11) Other Business

a) No other business

12) Adjourned at 3:04 PM