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## **HIT Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

September 12, 2013

### **Attendees:**

- \*Chair - Lynette Dickson, Center for Rural Health
- \*Tim Blasl, ND Hospital Association (for Jerry Jurena)
- \*Janis Cheney, AARP
- \* Lisa Feldner, NDUS
- \*Neil Frame, Metro Area Ambulance
- \*Caryn Hewitt, Sanford Health
- \*Courtney Koebele, ND Medical Association
- \* Lois Mackey, First District Health (For Lisa Clute)
- \*Darin Meschke, Dept. of Health
- \*Jason Nisbet, Governor's Office (for Tami Ternes)
- \*Laurie Peters, ND Health Information Mngrs. Assoc.
- \*Shelly Peterson, Long Term Care Association (for Pamela Thompson)
- \*Jenny Witham, Dept. of Human Services
- \*Mark Waind(for Dave Molmen)
- Pamela Crawford, Attorney General's Office
- Tina Gagner, RN, ITD
- Chad Peterson, ITD
- Robin Hirsch, ITD
- Sheldon Wolf, HIT Director – ITD

### **Not Present:**

- \*Vice Chair - Dan Kelly, McKenzie County Healthcare Systems
- \*Todd Bortke, St. Alexius Medical Center
- \*Lisa Clute, First District Health
- \*Barb Groutt, ND Healthcare Review (QIO)
- \*Jerry Jurena, ND Hospital Association
- \*Senator Lee, ND Legislature
- \*Jim Long, West River Health System
- \*Dave Molmen, Altru Health System
- \*Mike Ressler, ITD
- \*Tony Tardugno, BCBSND
- \*Representative Robin Weisz, ND Legislature

*\*denotes appointed HIT Advisory Committee members*

**I. Call to Order**

The teleconference was called to order at 1:00PM on Thursday, September 12, 2013.

**II. Consent Agenda Approval and approval of minutes for August 7, 2013**

- The committee approved the consent agenda. Jenny Witham moved to approve and Courtney Koebele seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**III. NDHIN Overview & Update**

- Direct 2.0 will be available the end of September. There are 102 signed participation agreements; this includes all 6 tertiary hospitals.
- The status of participants is as follows:
  - Jamestown Regional Medical Center –ADT testing complete, LAB message analysis almost complete, validation planning underway, eMPI bulk load complete, regular status calls occurring, and outreach/training activities underway.
  - Sanford (Fargo) – ADT message analysis continues, Immunization pass-through to NDIIS in Production, regular status calls occurring.
  - St. Alexius - Readiness Assessment submitted, regular status calls occurring and outreach/training activities underway.
  - Dept. of Health, Public Health Reporting connection – connection complete, regular status calls occurring planning for ELR to be sent through NDHIN from first participant.
  - Dept. of Health, Immunization Integration – pass-through for Sanford Fargo in production, testing with Altru, planning with other participants continues.
  - Altru Health System – ADT testing almost complete, LAB message analysis beginning, Readiness Assessment complete.
  - Sanford (Bismarck) – VPN complete, ADT message analysis almost complete, LAB message analysis beginning, outreach/training activities underway.
  - Catholic Health Initiatives – Participant agreement being finalized, onboarding planning underway.
  - Family HealthCare – VPN and Readiness Assessment feedback in progress.
  - Trinity and Mid Dakota Clinic – Onboarding in progress.
- We have been demonstrating Imaging Viewers. The next demonstration will be on September 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Having discussions with Minnesota and South Dakota on regional connections.
- Our application for Healthway is at their coordinating committee.
- North Dakota has joined NATE and Direct Trust.

**IV. Stadter Center Readiness Assessment**

- Sheldon recommends approval of the Stadter Center readiness assessment.
- Lisa Feldner moved to approve. Courtney Koebele seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**VI. Grant Program**

- Sheldon recommends approval of Jacobsen Memorial (\$30,000), Altru Healthcare (\$90,000 which includes 6 business partners), Valley Community Healthcare (\$10,000), and Linton Hospital (\$27,756) for the Connectivity Grant.
- Courtney Koebele moved to approve. Shelly Peterson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. **Legal & Policy Domain Workgroup**

- The Administrative Rules Hearing was held on August 22. There were no attendees that provided comments but Jonathan Alm (DHS) provided a written comment. A few changes were made to the rules before they became final. Jenny Witham moved to approve the changes. Laurie Peters seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- There were some changes made to the Authorized User form. This is an agreement that shows the user is designated at a specific level and agrees to abide by that level.
- Sheldon asks for recommendations regarding provider/patient relationship status. If someone doesn't have a relationship should they have to break the privacy seal to enter the patients' record (i.e. nurse or ER Doctors that do not come through the ADT feed)? Recommendation was to test it with the first facilities and see whether we should leave it on or off.

VIII. **Communication & Education Domain Workgroup**

- Developed a Provider Educational packet to assist providers and front desk staff with communication of the NDHIN. There was also an education video created which can be viewed at <http://www.ndhin.org/video/provider-education-video>.

IX. **Technical Infrastructure Domain Workgroup**

- Dakota Carrier Network provided key information regarding their Statewide Medical Network infrastructure.

X. **REACH**

- Obtained an approval to apply for a no-cost extension to continue their services for another year.

XI. **Medicaid**

- The Medicaid HIT Director position is now posted - <http://www.nd.gov/hrms/jobs/32510428218.html>

XII. **Other Business**

- eHealth/HIMSS Summit is scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup>.

***Next Advisory Committee Meeting  
October 2, 2013, 1:30-3:00 pm***