

HAWAII HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Special Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday August 17, 2010 HHIE – Hafa Adai Room 900 Fort Street Mall, Suite 1300

Attendance

Members Present: Jennifer Diesman, Beth Giesting, Skip Keane, Janet Liang, Roy Magnusson, Steve Robertson, David Saito, Barbara Stanton, Raymond Yeung

Member(s) Present Via Conference Call: Money Atwal, Francis Chan, Susan Forbes, Emmanuel Kintu, Wesley Lo, John McComas, Gary Okamoto, Kevin Roberts, Christine Sakuda, Lisa Wong, Jeffrey Yu

Member(s) Absent: Jim Tollefson

Liaison(s): George Underwood from Tripler

Guest(s): Karen Pellegrin from Hawaii County Beacon Community
Ed Montell from Hawaii County Beacon Community
Deane Neubauer
Mary Rydell from CMS
David Sayen from CMS
Peter Sybinsky from HHIC
Greg Suenaga

I.– Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 8:32 am and a quorum was established.

II.– Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the July 20th, 2010 Board Meeting were reviewed.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion for approval of the minutes pending 2 corrections (spelling errors: Colin Hayashida and Peter Sybinsky) was made by D. Saito and seconded by B. Stanton.
Motion passed unanimously.

III.– Financials

The financials were distributed (Exhibit “A”), but due to time constraints, there was no overview nor discussion.

IV.– Executive Director Update

Approval of the State HIE Strategic and Operational Plans

The Board reviewed modifications to the Strategic and Operational Plans (Exhibit “B”), which were last reviewed in July. The majority of these changes were stylistic and cosmetic. The Strategic and Operational Plans were merged into one document to improve readability and

appeal. A PowerPoint overview (Exhibit “C”) was presented by Deane Neubauer and Greg Suenaga.

The Governance Committee recommends enlarging the Hawai’i HIE Board to include more of the less represented stakeholders. There was discussion on key individuals to include as ex-officio members on the Board.

The Operational Plan was changed to a narrative format to improve flow. The Operational Plan must include a budget for the organization’s sustainability after the award expires. During the last week in August, the State Coordinating Committee for HIT (SCC) will hold a meeting on the HIE financial framework and elements of a sustainable budget – Hawai’i HIE attendees should include; C. Sakuda, G. Suenaga, and perhaps M. Atwal.

The Plan also addresses the PIN and meaningful use criteria, as suggested by the ONC guest. Examples of risk and mitigation were discussed. Collaboration with the board and community is suggested to identify potential issues and to allow for greater transparency.

A technical design diagram was added to the Operational Plan displaying the flow of data, which standardizes the method of how messages will be passed. The Board has not yet identified what messages will be passed.

The project timeline was reviewed. The checklist was received from Mark Anderson yesterday; D. Neubauer will share with the Board. Although the timeline states implementation will begin in November 2010, it may actually begin on August 31, 2010.

There was discussion on the SCC’s possible reactions to the Strategic and Operational Plan. The SCC has already received two versions of the Strategic and Operational Plan and have not yet provided any feedback aside from Dr. Fink’s comments. The SCC’s approval lies mainly in the Plan’s ability to articulate achievement of the PIN requirements. Any changes since the draft Plan was submitted to the SCC have been more for clarification and not significant content changes. Thus, it is anticipated that the SCC should approve the Plan as submitted.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion was made by S. Robertson and seconded by D. Saito to have the Executive Committee review SCC changes to the Strategic & Operational Plan – if changes are substantive, an emergency Board meeting will be called; if changes are not substantive, the Executive Committee is authorized to make and approve such changes on behalf of the Board. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed and discussed the changes to the Strategic and Operational Plan since draft submission to the SCC. If the Board does not receive a response from the SCC, the Board may ask for an extension. One to two weeks extension should not incur a penalty.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion was made by J. Diesman and seconded by B. Giesting to approve the Strategic and Operational Plan as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion on the need to further refine the Plan for consumer privacy and accessibility. The Plan is a living document and will be refined over time as needed, with public forums available for consumers to voice their input.

V.– Guest Speakers – Ed Montell & Karen Pellegrin

K. Pellegrin presented a quick overview of the Hawaii County Beacon Community (HCBC). The presentation (which is available upon request, due to file size) covered the fifteen Beacon communities, the concept of the Beacon community, the HCBC's \$16.1 million budget, objectives, indications of success, Board of Directors, and an aggressive timeline of the HCBC's vision. Thus far, the HCBC's biggest challenge has been its technical infrastructure, which is based on Microsoft Amalga and Microsoft HealthVault. There was discussion on HCBC's approach to reimbursement issues. The presentation also addressed concerns on public education and consumer awareness with regards to residents' access to Telehealth by 2011. Karen confirmed HCBC plans to engage the community and create brochures, with an emphasis that staff will be hired in the next few weeks to educate and collaborate with the community. There was also discussion on the Hawai'i HIE and Beacon's collaboration on parallel issues.

It was suggested that HCBC and Hawai'i HIE share a similar architecture so that stakeholders, such as the labs and pharmacies, have one architecture to follow. There was also discussion on the privacy model's "opt in/out" issue. All information sections and subcategories of the database will be blocked until the patient consents. The individual will go to the provider participants and provide authorization to make their information available to all care providers. Since name changes are common, information to match patient algorithms must be aligned.

VI.– Guest Speakers – David Sayen & Mary Rydell

In his presentation (Exhibit "D"), David Sayen outlined the changing paradigm in healthcare today. The HIE system must be able to provide quality of care and service to cover all of these diagnoses. The government has a tight deadline due to the upcoming elections and politicians need to show results quickly. Each individual will have one health record. Some standardization will be required to yield value and transparency, such as standardization in transmission of data. There was discussion that lobbying from CMS needs to be done to take electronic information as a source of truth instead of paper.

VII.– Other Business / Reports / Announcements

The ONC Regional & eHealth IT Meetings will be held in Salt Lake City, UT from August 17 to 19, 2010.

VIII.– Next Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 14, 2010 beginning at 9:00 am in the HPH Conference Room (Harbor Court – 27th floor).

IX.– Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.

Minutes prepared by: Roniza Trinidad with guidance from S. Keane