

Governor Kulongoski Names Health Information Technology Oversight Council

September 1, 2009

The Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC) was created by the passage of HB 2009 within the Oregon Health Authority. It is charged with developing a statewide strategic plan for electronic health information exchange, coordinating public and private efforts to increase adoption of electronic health records, setting technology standards, ensuring privacy and security controls, and creating a sustainable business plan to support meaningful use of health information technology to lower costs and improve quality of care.

The Council is comprised of eleven individuals appointed by Governor Ted Kulongoski, who will bring the diverse experience outlined by the legislation in health information technology as well as in health care delivery, policy and research. They will represent consumer and business perspectives, public and private sectors, and the geographic and demographic differences of Oregon's health care providers and the patients they serve. The Senate will hold the confirmation committee hearing of the appointments on September 29th and floor consideration on October 1st. For more information visit: <http://www.leg.state.or.us/agenda/>. The Governor has also recommended to the Council that additional ex officio positions to HITOC be considered.

Terms expiring 1/1/2013

Chair:

Steven Gordon, M.D., Eugene, VP, Chief Quality Officer, PeaceHealth

Vice Chair:

Rick Howard, Salem, CIO, Oregon Department of Human Services

Sharon Stanphill, Roseburg, Clinic Director, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

Bridget Haggerty, Portland, VP, CIO, Oregon Health & Sciences University

Marie Laper, Corvallis, Coordinator of Quality Improvement & Clinical Care, Benton County Health Services

Robert Rizk, Hermiston, Director, Information Technology, Good Shepherd Health System

Terms expiring 1/1/2012

Greg Fraser, Sublimity, Medical Director of Information Systems and Informatics, Mid-Valley IPA

Brian DeVore, Hillsboro, Director of Industry Affairs, Intel

Dave Widen, Dayton, Director of Pharmacy, Safeway

Terms expiring 1/1/2011

Bob Brown, Portland, Retired, Board member, Oregon Health Action Campaign

Bill Hockett, Portland, Director, Web Strategy, ODS

With federal stimulus funding for health information technology soon becoming available to states and health care providers, the HITOC will quickly mobilize a workgroup structure involving multiple stakeholders in the work of developing key recommendations for the strategic and operational plan for statewide health information exchange. If you are interested in serving on a HITOC workgroup, please contact HITOC Director Carol Robinson for more information, carol.robinson@state.or.us.

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