### Health Information Technology Oversight Council

Webinar-Technology April 2, 2010 9:30 – 10:30 am



### **AGENDA**

9:30-9:35 Review Agenda

9:35-9:40 Proposed Outcomes and Webinar Process

9:40-9:45 National Update

9:45-9:55 Oregon Planning Process Update

9:55-10:25 HITOC Strategic Workgroup Meeting Synopsis

- Technology Models
- Workgroup Input
- Questions

10:25-10:30 Next Steps and Resources

- HITOC and Strategic Workgroup Meetings
- April 30 Webinar
- HIO Stakeholder Meeting on April 15
- Privacy and Security Forum
- HITOC website



## **Outcomes and Process**

- Outcomes
  - Update regarding work in progress and opportunities
  - Technology Working Model update
  - Awareness of next steps

#### • Process

- Start on time and end on time
- Webinar requirements
- Q and A process overview
- Follow-up
- Additional feedback
- Next Webinar April 30



#### **Webinar Requirements**

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# HB 2009 (pre-HITECH)

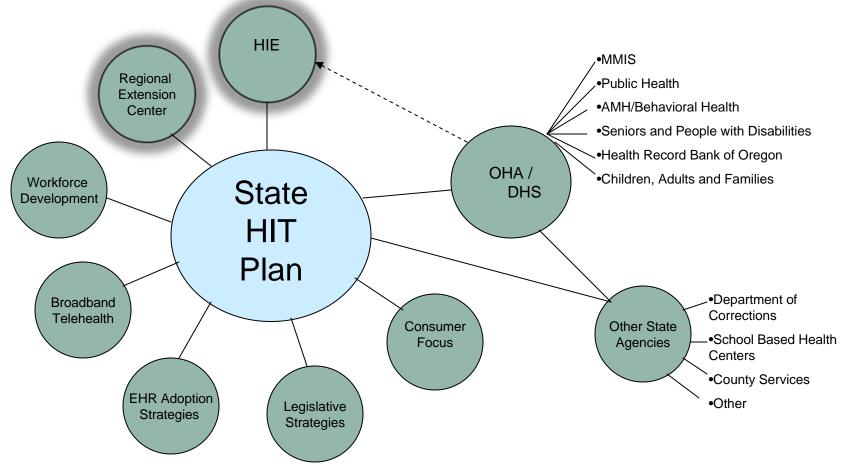


The HITOC duties set forth in HB 2009 include:

- Set Goals and Develop Strategic HIT Plan
- Coordinate and Leverage Existing Resources
- Adopt Standards for a Purchasing Collaborative for Electronic Health Records (EHR)
- Educate Public and Providers of Health Care
- Support and Oversee Health Records Bank
- Develop Reimbursement Program for EHR use and HIT Loan Program



### **HITOC to Coordinate State HIT Plan**



# ARRA HITECH Changes the Game



#### Key funding opportunities for Oregon include:

- State Health Information Exchange (HIE) Cooperative Agreement Program (\$8.58 million over 4 years)
- Medicaid and Medicare Incentives for Providers using Electronic Health Records (up to \$44,000 for individual Medicare providers; up to \$63,750 for individual Medicaid providers; approximately \$236 million to Oregon hospitals)
- Medicaid Incentive Program Planning Funds (90/10 federal matching funds) for Medicaid HIT Planning activities to establish the incentive program described above. (\$3,922,419 total funds, \$3,530,176 federal funds)
- Health Information Technology Extension Program (technical assistance to support and accelerate EHR adoption and meaningful use) O-HITEC, part of OCHIN is the Oregon REC.
- Other federal funding to non-state entities:
  - HIT workforce development,
  - Community HIT infrastructure and exchange initiatives,
  - Research to achieve breakthrough strategies on HIT adoption barriers, and
  - HIT implementation funding for Tribes and health center networks.

# **HITOC HIE Planning Overview**

- Strategic Workgroup
  - Additional April meeting scheduled
    - Meetings: April 8, 22 and 29
    - Upcoming Topics: Legal and Policy/Business Operations/Finance
  - May meetings for wrap-up on all areas
- HITOC
  - May 6 meeting discuss Legal & Policy/Business Operations/Finance
  - June 3 meeting discuss Draft Strategic Plan
  - June 17 (tentative) Finalize Strategic Plan, discuss Operational Plan
  - No July meeting
  - August 5 meeting
- Community Stakeholder Meetings to Gather Input on Plan
  - Tentatively scheduled for weeks of June 28 and July 12
  - Five meetings in different regions
- Strategic and Operational Plans due to ONC August 31, 2010



## **National Updates**

- Federal Health Reform
  - Focus on integration and technology
- Privacy and Security
  - New ONC Whitepaper on "Consumer Consent Options For Electronic Health Information Exchange: Policy Considerations And Analysis" was released March 23.
- ONC EHR Certification
  - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
- EHNAC HIE Accreditation Criteria
  - Comment period for draft criteria through April 23



# Key National Technology Developments

- NHIN Direct Announced
  - Standards around secure transport of information
  - Focusing on Provider-to-Provider and Patient-Provider communication
  - Will not focus on standards around data types and content
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released from ONC regarding EHR Certification
  - Announced March 2, 2010, issued March 10, 2010
  - Temporary program (30 day comment period) for ONC-Authorized Testing & Certification Body (ONC-ATCB) for Complete EHRs and/or EHR Modules
  - Permanent program (60 day comment period)
  - Temporary program lasts until first ONC-ATCB designated

These developments will help us better define which technology and standards we need to address in the Strategic and Operational Plan



## **NHIN Direct**



- Goal: implement support for direct communication over the Internet between providers and between providers and patients simply and securely in ways that address Stage 1 Meaningful Use requirements.
  - Policy direction defined by the NHIN Workgroup of the HIT Policy Committee.
  - Project efforts coordinated under the guidance of the ONC.
- Design principles
  - Create transport-level specifications and services that can handle multiple types of content, including unstructured text and fully structured documents.
  - Efforts will focus on areas with clear underlying law and policy and where providers have existing mechanisms (e.g., fax, postal mail).
  - First use cases involve sending/receiving information during referrals and discharges, as well as sending lab test results to ordering providers.
  - Questions of content (e.g., Continuity of Care Record vs. Continuity of Care Document) currently are out of scope.
  - Open questions of policy will be referred back to the NHIN Workgroup.
- Timeline
  - May 2010 initial draft specifications
  - May-Early Fall 2010 further specification development, real-world experiments
  - Early Fall 2010 release of vetted specifications
- In terms of statewide HIE planning, it's too early to determine how NHIN Direct can fit best within statewide HIE. We'll continue to monitor its evolution.

### Workgroup Discussion - Technology Models



- Model 1
  - Focus on technology standards & certification for interoperability between HIOs (transport, documents, data types, and vocabulary/semantics).
  - No centralized services for statewide HIE; federated model.
  - HIOs communicate directly between themselves, the NHIN, and adjacent state HIOs.
  - Market-driven.

- Model 2
  - Focus on Statewide HIO offering centralized services for statewide HIE (Record Locator Service, Patient Index, Provider Index).
  - HIOs communicate through the Statewide HIO.
  - Communication with the NHIN and adjacent state HIOs through the Statewide HIO.
  - Driven by standards and services supported by the Statewide HIO.

### **Workgroup Outcome: Technology Input**

- A hybrid of Model 1 and Model 2 is best for Oregon:
  - Focus on technology standards and certification for HIO interoperability.
  - HIOs communicate directly between themselves.
  - HIOs communicate directly with the NHIN and adjacent state HIOs.
  - Some centralized services from Model 2 for efficiency.
- Service offerings of the Hybrid Model:
  - Provider Index includes all state providers
  - Patient Lookup Service points to HIOs that might have patient information
  - Record Lookup Service points to HIOs that might have requested records
  - Quality Data Submission
  - Public Health Data Submission
- Statewide body sets technology standards focused on information exchange, security, and interoperability between HIOs, with periodic certification to ensure HIOs have correctly implemented standards and can participate in statewide HIE.
- Strategy for HIO coverage gaps to be determined. Could involve:
  - Seeding new HIOs or expanding existing ones.
  - Statewide HIO offering local HIO services for unserved or underserved areas.



### **Governance-Technology Intersection**

Regardless of how Governance evolves, we must be constantly reviewing Technology, Standards and Certification needs

Phase	Governance	Technology
1	Adoption of policies, requirements, standards and agreements - Statewide standards and/or certifying body could be HITOC in some form	Selection and Adoption of Standards and requirements, including strategies for meeting the needs of underserved areas
2	Non-profit as central contracting agency, small-scale operations, if needed	Implementation and operation of centralized services, if needed
3	Non-profit develops larger operations to support HIE, if needed	Operation of HIE services to cover underserved areas, if needed

### Next Steps

<u>Next Webinar Date:</u> April 30, 2-3 pm

<u>April 15 HIO Stakeholder Meeting:</u> <u>HITOC website</u> for details

**Privacy and Security Forum – May date TBA** 

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**Resources: HITOC website** 

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