Oregon Health Authority Health Information Technology Task Force Charter, September 4, 2013

Objective

The Health Information Technology Task Force will make recommendations to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) on key components of a multi-year state Health Information Technology (HIT) / Health Information Exchange (HIE) business plan framework to support Oregon's health system transformation efforts.

Scope and Key Questions

This task force will provide recommendations to OHA on a state multi-year Health Information Technology / Health Information Exchange Business Plan framework, including the steps Oregon should take related to:

- Health Information Exchange (HIE) among all members of a care team to support care coordination
- Clinical data aggregation to support transformation efforts such as performance reporting and metrics, and alternative payment methodologies

The Health Information Technology Task Force will consider the stakeholder input, including the prior work of Oregon's Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC), to make recommendations on a multi-year state business plan framework. The resulting plan will provide a foundational document for OHA's efforts, as well as help set the work plan for the ongoing oversight and policy work of the HITOC.

The Task Force will address these key health information technology issues:

- Which services or infrastructure should be offered statewide?
- What is the right role for the State including policy, standards, guidance, etc.?
- How can the State best partner with stakeholder organizations financially to build and support longer term needs?
- How should any statewide services be governed and operated (State-run, non-profit, etc.)?

The Task Force will focus particularly on longer term (2015 and beyond) solutions to the above issues, and will take into account current and near term state-level efforts in development.

Background

In 2009, Oregon's Health Information Technology Oversight Committee (HITOC) was legislatively created to provide oversight of HIT development in the state. HITOC engaged in an intensive strategic planning effort, involving more than 100 Oregonians volunteered on HITOC and its 8 workgroups, subcommittees, and ad hoc groups, to develop Oregon's Strategic and Operational Plans for HIE in 2010. These plans were part of Oregon's federal HIE Cooperative Agreement funding (via the Office of National Coordinator for HIT (ONC)) and set the initial direction for state HIE efforts. HITOC also set a state HIT strategic plan in 2012 as part of HITOC's state legislative charge. HITOC also provides ongoing oversight and input for the Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program (EHRIP) and the CareAccord HIE program for strategic implementation of federal grants.

In 2011, Oregon's legislature launched the implementation of Oregon's health system transformation efforts, and in 2012, OHA implemented these efforts for Medicaid, by creating Medicaid Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs). With the advent of CCOs, OHA determined it was necessary to re-assess

the state's HIT/HIE needs. In Spring/Summer of 2013, OHA staff met with CCOs and other key stakeholders to identify HIT/HIE needs to support health system transformation efforts. These listening sessions included input on the appropriate role for the state and for statewide services in meeting the HIT/HIE needs. Results of these stakeholder listening sessions will inform the work of this Task Force.

Work Plan	
Date and Location	Topic
Wednesday, September 4, 1-5 PM	Orientation and Background
Lincoln Building, Oak Room (1st Floor)	
421 SW Oak Street, Portland, OR	
Thursday, September 19, 1-5 PM	Goals, Overall Approach, Governance
Oregon State Capitol, Room 350	
900 Court St NE, Salem, OR	
Wednesday, October 9, 1-5 PM	Governance continued, introduction to Finance
TBD, Portland, OR	
Wednesday, October 30, 1-5 PM	Technology and Finance
Oregon State Capitol, Room 350	
900 Court St NE, Salem, OR	
Wednesday, November 20, 1-5 PM	Finalize Recommendations
TBD, Portland, OR	

Guiding Principles

- The Task Force will create recommendations by consensus whenever possible.
- When the Task Force discusses terms that can be understood multiple ways, the Task Force will come to a shared understanding of how those terms are being used.
- The Task Force will consider past work, near-term work in development, stakeholder input, federal trends and other relevant information.

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