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Governor signs Oregon HIT bill

The Office of Health IT (OHIT) is pleased to announce that Governor Kate Brown signed House Bill 2294 into law on June 4, marking a new era for health information technology in Oregon.

House Bill 2294 advances the state's health information technology (HIT) efforts, by establishing the Oregon Health Information Technology Program within the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The program will encompass work already in place or underway within OHA's Office of Health Information Technology. The bill also provides OHA the authority to continue this work to serve all Oregonians, not just those covered by Medicaid or other OHA programs.

Thank you to our partners, stakeholders, the Health Information Technology Oversight Council and Oregon Health Authority's leadership team for their commitment and support in bringing this bill forward.

[Learn more](#) about HB2294 and the Oregon Health IT Program.

OCHIN selects CareAccord as HISP provider

OCHIN has selected CareAccord as its Health Information Service Provider (HISP) to enable Direct secure messaging for its community of more than 9,000 physicians and associates. OCHIN, a nation nonprofit health care innovation center, selected CareAccord as its partner provider after a thorough evaluation of technology vendors. There are 36 OCHIN member organizations in Oregon, including Federally Qualified Health Centers and safety net clinics.

exchange patient information, allowing them to attest to federal meaningful use requirements and qualify for incentives from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Learn more about CareAccord and Direct secure messaging for your organization at www.CareAccord.com.

HITOC call for nominations

The Oregon Health Authority is seeking nominations for the Health Information Technology Oversight Council (HITOC), the policy, strategy and oversight body for health IT in Oregon. We are looking for motivated leaders who can help us tackle important HIT issues in Oregon.

HITOC will be a forum to define strategies, remove policy barriers, provide transparency and accountability, and measure progress toward achieving “health IT-optimized health care.”

The new members of HITOC will begin meeting in September 2015 to help shape Oregon’s health IT efforts.

Nominations are due July 8 - If you are interested in joining, please complete a nomination application and submit it by July 8, 2015. Download a copy of the nomination form from OHIT's website at HealthIT.Oregon.gov.

CareAccord offers Direct secure messaging pilot opportunity Applications due July 17

CareAccord is looking to pilot with Oregon healthcare organizations to enable trusted exchange of Direct secure messaging from a 2014-certified EHR. EHRs that are Direct-enabled are interoperable across organizational and geographical boundaries, improving care coordination among care teams and helping simplify workflows (reduce paper processes, integrate messaging). Many Oregon providers need to use Direct secure messaging from their EHR to electronically send patient care summaries for transitions of care, a requirement for one of the Meaningful Use Stage 2 measures.

This pilot will expand CareAccord’s Direct secure messaging services (beyond web-portal) and afford participants the opportunity to begin health information exchange with other users of Direct secure messaging. If you are interested in participating in the piloting, please [click here](#) to download an application or visit CareAccord.com

Provider Directory Advisory Group â€“ July 15
Common Credentialing Advisory Group â€“ August 5
Health Information Technology Oversight Council â€“ TBD

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