

HITOC Health Information Exchange (HIE) Workgroup Membership

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HIE Workgroup members represent a broad range of perspectives as outlined in the [HIE Workgroup Charter](#). This workgroup is being formed under HITOC to formulate strategic recommendations to HITOC on the HIE components of the Oregon Health Information Technology (HIT)/HIE Strategic Plan Update.

Name	Organization	Title
Micaiah Fifer	Providence Health Plans	Care Management Supervisor
<p>Micaiah (Ky) Fifer is a supervisor at Providence Health Plan in Care Management. In this role he has direct supervision of care coordination activities at the health plan and understands workflow issues around adoption of technology solutions. He is the administrator of Collective Platform for all of Providence Health Plans and coordinates ED follow-up outreach to members, as well as using the Collective Platform to identify utilization so that our Case Managers can ease the way of members.</p>		
John Gaede	Sky Lakes Medical Center	Director of Information Services
<p>John Gaede, the Director of Information Services at Sky Lakes Medical Center (SLMC), provides strategic oversight, leadership, and vision to Sky Lakes Medical Center’s Information Services team – saving lives and innovating. John has twenty years of leadership responsibility in healthcare information technology and nine years of clinical experience as a Clinical Laboratory Scientist. John is passionate about health information exchange and having the right data, at the right time, at the right patient encounter so that better clinical decisions are made for all patients. John is a Certified Professional in Healthcare Information and Management Systems – (CPHIMS), Lean Six Sigma - Green Belt, a ThM (Master of Theology), a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology, Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry. John currently serves on the Reliance eHealth Collaborative Board of Trustees.</p>		
Lavinia Goto	Oregon Wellness Network	Operations Manager
<p>As the operations manager of OWN, Lavinia has spent the last 5 years developing a network hub for health and wellness services provided by community-based organizations (CBO) in Oregon. These CBOs are inclusive of the 16 Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) & Disability Services that cover all 36 counties in the state. The programs are targeted towards people living with chronic conditions that impact an individual’s ability to live independently and in their setting of choice. The services fall into 7 categories that include: lifestyle and self-management programs, diabetes prevention and management services, fall prevention programs, nutrition services, and care coordination services. Most programs are available in English & Spanish. Referrals for these programs come from consumers, family members, other CBOs and health care providers. Having an ability to share participant information is key to having a secure and effective referral system.</p>		
Jennifer Gulzow	Multnomah County Behavioral Health	Chief Compliance/Privacy Officer, Quality Manager
<p>Jennifer Gulzow has managed compliance, data, analytics and reporting teams in Multnomah County Behavioral Health for the last 4 years, and in the Multnomah County Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Division for 3 years prior to moving to Behavioral Health. As a Certified Healthcare Compliance professional, Jennifer uses quality improvement techniques and tools to assist programs and teams with</p>		

conducting root cause analysis, or gaps analysis, to evaluate data disparities. Jennifer is also a member of the LGBTQ+ community and creating an equitable, responsive behavioral health system is very personal to her.		
Jennifer Levy	Lower Umpqua Hospital District	Senior Director of Health Information Management/Clinical Informatics
Jennifer Levy has over 20 years of experience in multiple roles of clinic and hospital management in rural settings; the last 9 years in a small critical access hospital. As Senior Director of Health Information Management and Clinical Informatics she has been responsible for reporting Meaningful Use/Promoting Interoperability for the last several years. Working to integrate non-Epic Electronic Health Records with HIEs and outside agencies with limited resources, she has worked to make connections that are meaningful and useful to practitioners. Working with a remote, elderly, resource-challenged population, she sees great value in better connectivity through telehealth, HIEs and patient portal participation, but recognizes the extra support and services those require.		
Stacey Melnick	Optum	Nurse Practitioner
Stacey Melnick is a nurse practitioner with 9 years experience, primarily working with the elderly population in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Prior to becoming a nurse practitioner, he has an extensive history of working in IT, building software solutions related to actuarial mathematics as it relates to life insurance. His background in IT and actuarial science gives him a unique outlook on the problems facing healthcare today. Since starting in healthcare he has put a great deal of effort into developing IT solutions to various problems he's faced in his daily duties. With his experience working with the elderly, he also has a unique perspective on the special needs surrounding the nursing home and assisted living environments. Seeing firsthand the issues that arise when information isn't shared efficiently, he's excited to contribute to help make a difference in Oregon's health care system.		
Christian Moller-Andersen	A Smile for Kids	Executive Director
Christian's current work as executive director of the non-profit A Smile for Kids (ASK) has led him to advocate for equitable access to orthodontics and other health care services for underserved populations in Oregon. His daily interaction between ASK, oral, medical, and behavioral health and how systems and humans from different aspects of healthcare can create patient-centered experiences to affect health and the social determinants of health inspire Christian to promote higher levels of integrated healthcare services, especially through technology. His partnerships include community care organizations, state and local non-profit organizations, county and state agencies, Oregon Health and Sciences University faculty, and state legislative professionals. Christian is also the state lead for a nationwide oral health equity network group called OPEN.		
David Perkins	Yakima Valley Farm Workers	Chief Information Officer
David Perkins is the CIO for Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic (YVFWC), a federally qualified community health center headquartered in Eastern Washington, with clinics and other service locations throughout Eastern Washington and Western Oregon. Offering Medical, Dental, Mental/Behavioral Health, Pharmacy, and other social and community-based health services, YVFWC's mission targets the underserved in both rural and urban settings. Dave has worked in Health IT, helping mission-driven provider organizations like YVFWC to design systems and processes that ensure access to quality care and promote health equity for the most vulnerable populations for 18 years.		

Rob Reinhardt	Jackson Care Connect	Senior Clinical Pharmacy Coordinator
<p>Rob Reinhardt has over 40 years of experience in health care, including as a Pharmacy Technician and Pharmacist in the retail pharmacy, hospital pharmacy, long term care pharmacy, hospice, home infusion, outpatient infusion, and now CCO-based pharmacy fields. He has prior experience designing and implementing operational and billing software systems across the nation for Homedco/Apria, including supervision of help desk team, implementation teams, and outside vendors. In his current position with Jackson Care Connect CCO, he utilizes HIE data for OHA metrics reporting. In working with Reliance, has done data validation work, designed specialized reports for identifying Hepatitis C treatment candidates and a report to identify members with asthma that subsequently visit the ED or are hospitalized for an asthma related diagnosis for intervention by the CCO's Regional Care Team.</p>		
Deborah Rumsey	Children's Health Alliance	Executive Director
<p>Deborah Rumsey has served as the Executive Director at the Children's Health Alliance & Children's Health Foundation for over 10 years. She leads 140-plus pediatricians and their primary care practices across Oregon and Washington in the development and implementation of clinical quality improvement, population health management and patient center medical home strategies. She supports these efforts through licensing a population health management tool to enable quality improvement, panel management, and connections to multiple sources of data to better inform pediatricians and their community partners in the care of their young patients. Deborah seeks to bring the perspective of pediatricians and children's health to HIE and community information exchange conversations, and sees multiple opportunities to improve patient care through connecting members of the care team throughout the community.</p>		
Sonney Sapra	Samaritan Health Services	Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer
<p>Sonney serves as the SVP and CIO for Samaritan Health Services and Samaritan Health Plan/InterCommunity Health Network CCO, where he leads the direction for the system in strategic initiatives that involve information systems, digital transformation, security, and imaging. Sonney's background has involved leading many organizations to bring down barriers on information exchange and looking at how to make data available to give providers a holistic view of their patients. Over the past decade, he has been a leader in community healthcare provider organizations, a large academic healthcare, and rural healthcare provider organizations. This experience has given him a very objective view in how important data is for all of these organizations, and how we all play a role in the healthcare journey for our patients and community.</p>		
Jessica Turner	Cascadia Behavioral Health	Director of Clinical Systems
<p>Jessica Turner, LPC, CADCI has worked in community behavioral health for 25 years. Currently she is the Director of Clinical Systems at Cascadia and is responsible for directing the adoption, use and maintenance of 3 electronic health records and auxiliary clinical systems. While at Cascadia, an FQHC, she has worked in many roles, most focusing on serving people living with persistent mental illness who live at or below the poverty level. Past roles include Clubhouse skills trainer/manager, mental health clinic manager, substance use disorder/mental health integrated treatment clinician/manager/director, and Department of Community Justice Integrated Treatment Director, Clinical Informatics. She continues to provide limited clinical services and serves as an Oregon Board Licensure Supervisor for clinicians across Cascadia.</p>		

Brian Wetter	PacificSource	Vice President, Information Technology Infrastructure and Analytics
For over 20 years Brian's passion has been working to support population health through the application of information technology. He currently serves as the board president of Central Oregon Health Information Exchange, a regional non-profit HIE serving the Central Oregon health care community. He is also the Vice Chair for Oregon's HIT Commons Governing Board and serves as PacificSource's representative on OHA's Health Information Technology Advisory Group (HITAG).		