

PA eHealth Collaborative

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Presentation to Pennsylvania Stimulus Oversight Commission

September 22, 2011



Last Status to Commission

- Awaiting approval from ONC.
- Re-engage the stakeholder community.
- Revise PHIX Advisory Council.
- In conjunction with stakeholder community, evaluate and identify a long-term approach that is best for Pennsylvania.



Current Status

- March, 2011 Operational Plan approved by ONC with limited access to implementation funds pending reengagement of stakeholders and development of a detailed plan.

Funding Available = \$17,140,446

- Match Requirements:

- 10% 2/1/2011 - 1/31/2012

- 14% from 2/1/2012 - 1/31/2013

- 33% from 2/1/2013 - 2/7/2014

- Private sector contributions and in-kind services can be used to help with match.

- Revised strategic and operational plans, endorsed by stakeholders, need to be developed by January, 2012.

- Governance model needs to be established by July 1, 2012.



Current Status

- Per ONC-HIE-Program Information Notice (PIN)-001

- Must enable point to point exchanges in 2011 (Direct Project)
 - Must address:
 - Gaps in use of e-prescribing by pharmacies
 - Gaps in the ability of independent labs to send structured lab results electronically
 - Gaps in provider ability to electronically share patient care summaries across unaffiliated organizations.



Direct Project: Secure Internet-based Direct Communications



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Direct Project specifies a simple, secure, scalable, standards-based way for participants to send encrypted health information directly to known, trusted recipients over the Internet.



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- **Simple.** Connects healthcare stakeholders through universal addressing using simple push of information.
- **Secure.** Users can easily verify messages are complete and not tampered with in travel.
- **Scalable.** Enables Internet scale with no need for central network authority.
- **Standards-based.** Built on common Internet standards for secure e-mail communication.

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PA eHealth Collaborative

- Governor Corbett issued Executive Order 2011-04 on July 27, 2011 establishing PA eHealth Collaborative
 - Executive Council
 - Advisory Committee
 - PA eHealth Collaborative Office



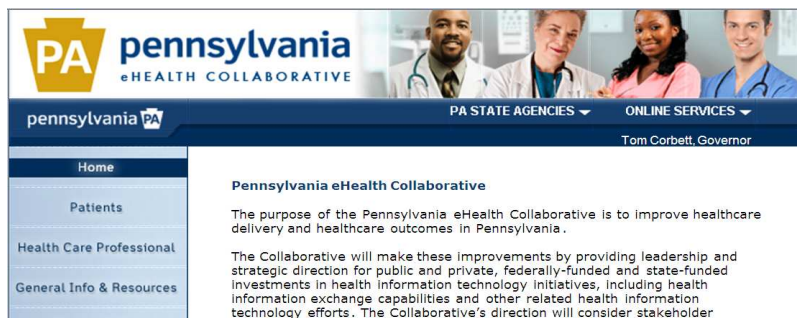
PA eHealth Collaborative - Progress

- Re-launched project with a stakeholder planning session on July 26 and 27, 2011
 - 134 individuals participated representing many sectors of the healthcare industry and consumers
 - Compiled information from our planning session
 - Received positive feedback on re-launch efforts; particularly level of information provided, degree of stakeholder engagement and commitment to transparency
 - Organized 5 working committees and began work



New Website

- www.paehealthcollab.com
- Planning session materials under News & Events
- All committee meeting summaries will be posted



Business & Operations Committee

- Key priorities
 - Document business needs, justifications and recommendations related to enabling point-to-point exchanges (Direct Project)
 - Recommend approach for long term health information exchange technical infrastructure and services
 - Identify and recommend approach to Provider Directory
 - Identify and assess long-term governance options
 - Identify and leverage existing resources



Finance & Sustainability Committee

- Key priorities
 - Identify a sustainable revenue model
 - Develop an expense budget based upon recommendations from other committees
 - Leverage available appropriated funds
 - Identify state and private sector resources that can be leveraged
 - Develop recommendations for a 5 year sustainability model



Legal, Privacy & Security Committee

- Key priorities
 - Leverage Nationwide Privacy and Security Framework to develop Pennsylvania's guiding principles.
 - Use the guiding principles to address legal framework needed for HIE operations and oversight to achieve end-state vision, such as:
 - ~ Consent framework
 - ~ Liability implications and mitigation strategies
 - ~ Direct Project deployment (e.g. Certificate Authority Policy)
 - ~ Handling of super protected health information
 - ~ Potential legislation
 - ~ Data sharing agreements and participant duties



Communication & Outreach Committee

- Key priorities
 - To create plans and identify resources to deliver necessary education and outreach activities to support health information exchange.
 - Work with stakeholder organizations, including state agencies, to align activities and distribute message via various vehicles.
 - Establish benchmarks and evaluate effectiveness of communications plan and outreach efforts.



Evaluation & Performance Committee

- Key priorities:
 - Identify and develop measures and benchmarks to:
 - ~ Comply with grant requirements
 - ~ Measure HIE adoption, use, and performance
 - ~ Measure clinical care improvements resulting from HIE
 - Conduct environmental scans as required.
 - ~ Assessment of current and planned HIE activity across the commonwealth
 - ~ Assessment of provider and patient awareness across the commonwealth



Alignment Efforts

- Participate in frequent meetings with Regional Extension Center (PA REACH), Medicaid and Department of Health
- Attend monthly meetings with PA Medical Society and Hospital & Healthsystem Association of PA
- Attend forums to update vendor community on progress of our efforts

