



Health Information Technology Advisory Committee

The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology



Annual Report Workgroup

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Agenda

- Call to Order/Roll Call
- Opening Remarks and Workgroup Schedule
- Review of Suggested Updates to Draft Annual Report for FY18
- Planning for Workgroup Update at Next HITAC Meeting
- Public Comment
- Next Steps and Adjourn

Meeting Schedule for Workgroup

Month	Deliverables to Review
June 20, 2018	Workgroup Scope for FY18 Annual Report Announced
August 2, 2018	Discuss Plans for FY18 Annual Report
August 24, 2018	Landscape Analysis Outline Gap Analysis Outline
September 20, 2018	Landscape Analysis and Gap Analysis Discussion
October 18, 2018	Landscape Analysis, Gap Analysis, HITAC Progress Outline
November 9, 2018	Privacy and Security Priority Target Area
December 4, 2018	Privacy and Security Priority Target Area
January 24, 2019 February 4, 2019	FY18 Annual Report Draft Reviewed
March 1, 2019	FY18 Annual Report Draft Revised as Needed
Early Spring 2019	FY18 Annual Report Completed
Late Spring 2019	Work Begins on FY19 Annual Report

Review Schedule for Full Committee

Meeting Date	Action Items/Deliverables
June 20, 2018	Subcommittee Charge Presented
September 5, 2018	Workgroup Update
October 17, 2018	Landscape Analysis and Gap Analysis Update
December 13, 2018	Description of HITAC Progress in FY18 Reviewed
February 20, 2019	FY18 Annual Report Reviewed by HITAC
March 19-20, 2019	FY18 Annual Report Reviewed/Approved by HITAC
Spring 2019	FY18 Annual Report Submitted to HHS Secretary And Congress

**Workgroup Discussion:
Review of Suggested Updates to
Draft Annual Report for FY18**

Proposed FY18 Annual Report Structure

- I. Executive Summary
- II. Foreword and Overview
- III. HITAC Progress in FY18
- IV. Health IT Infrastructure Landscape Analysis
- V. Health IT Infrastructure Gap Analysis
- VI. Recommendations for Addressing Health IT Infrastructure Gaps
- VII. Suggestions for Additional HITAC Initiatives
- VIII. Conclusion
- IX. Appendices

Draft Annual Report: Executive Summary

- Introduction
- HITAC Progress in FY18
- Health IT Infrastructure Landscape
- Health IT Infrastructure Gaps, Opportunities, and Recommendations
 - » Will update table with any matching changes in Recommendations section

Draft Annual Report: Landscape Analysis

- Priority Target Area: Interoperability
 - » Background
 - Suggestion: Discuss if primary problem is lack of, or non-use of, universal codes to label discrete observations, e.g., LOINC
 - » Patients' Experience of Health Information Exchange
 - Suggestion: Add language supporting “real-time, machine-readable, free-of-charge access to health information, including net price information”
 - Suggestion: Discuss problem of destination for delivery of electronic health information to patients. Some possible solutions: require collection of destination from patient, stimulate availability and use of open source personal health record (PHR)

Draft Annual Report: Landscape Analysis

- **Priority Target Area: Privacy and Security**
 - » Patient Matching and Verification
 - Suggestion: Discuss use of last four digits of Social Security Numbers as a potential matching key and introduction of a Medicare medical records ID
- **Priority Target Area: Patient Access to Information**
 - » Emerging Platforms for Data Sharing by Patients and Caregivers
 - Does mention of “unstructured” data need any clarification?

Draft Annual Report: Gap Analysis

- Priority Target Area: Interoperability
 - » Need to Improve Data Quality, Provenance, and Usefulness
 - Suggestion: Add discussion of clinical and operational workflow challenges faced when combining discrete, codified data with data from other sources

Draft Annual Report: Gap Analysis

- **Priority Target Area: Privacy and Security**
 - » Lack of User Awareness and Education about Privacy and Security Protections
 - Suggestion: Discuss federal role of supporting compliance with privacy and security regulations such as HIPAA for current uses of HL7[®] FHIR[®] APIs
 - Sometimes more patient data than necessary is being shared with business associates
 - Need for formal guidance?

Draft Annual Report: Gap Analysis

- Priority Target Area: Patient Access to Information
 - » Lack of Patient and Caregiver Access to Patient Data
 - Suggestion: Discuss adding terms like “real-time,” “machine-readable,” and “free-of-charge” when describing gaps for patient access to health information, and including “net price information” as a type of information to be shared with patients.

Draft Annual Report: Recommendations

- **Priority Target Area: Interoperability**
 - » Opportunity: Address “reality gap” between the perception of what has been certified for a system and what is truly interoperable in the field.
 - Suggestion: Add another example of range of codes for lab testing allowed in C-CDA documents
 - » Recommended HITAC Activity: Further measure whether systems are truly interoperable at both content and transport levels after implementation, especially among smaller practices and by patients
 - Suggestion: Change “measure” to “assess” because 1) Will there be sufficient data to measure?, and 2) Would the HITAC measure systems interoperability or assess interoperability based on function?"
 - » Other Opportunities for Further Consideration: Establish usability metrics for health information exchange.
 - Suggestion: Should this statement say “metrics” or “best practices?"

Draft Annual Report: Recommendations

- **Priority Target Area: Privacy and Security**
 - » Recommended HITAC Activity: Consider federal role in setting guidelines for the exchange of data across states.
 - Suggestion: Change the word “consider” to describe a more narrow activity
 - Suggestion: Discuss whether this recommendation covers any data collected by states within All Payer Claims Databases that currently are being sold by states to third parties to maintain sustainability but goes beyond supporting research or public health
 - » Recommended HITAC Activity: Consider the impact of nationwide adoption of cybersecurity framework(s) and delineate cybersecurity accountability for data by role.
 - Suggestion: Change the word “consider” to describe a more narrow activity

Draft Annual Report: Recommendations

- **Priority Target Area: Patient Access to Information**
 - » Recommended HITAC Activity: Measure impact of monetization of data exchange
 - Suggestion: Suggestion: Change “measure” to “assess” because will there be sufficient data to measure this?
 - » Recommended HITAC Activity: Measure amount/length of time a portal has been online working properly, patient engagement, and/or patient understanding and use of data
 - Suggestion: Suggestion: Change “measure” to “assess” because will there be sufficient data to measure this?

Workgroup Discussion: Planning for Update at Upcoming HITAC Meeting

Planning for Update at next HITAC Meeting

- Review Draft Annual Report for FY18
 - » Present brief overview of report content
 - » Highlight key points and updates for each section
 - » Lead discussion to collect further feedback from HITAC members
 - Particular focus on *Recommendations for Addressing Health IT Infrastructure* section
 - Offer executive summary handout to supplement discussion

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