



HealthIT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022

HITAC Update

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Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 Agenda

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Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 Charge

Overarching Charge:

The Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 will build upon recommendations from previous HITAC public health-focused task forces* to inform ONC's continued collaborative work with CDC on improving public health data systems, and in support of CDC's greater Data Modernization Initiative (DMI) efforts.

Specific Charge:

The Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 shall examine existing public health certification criterion, known as the "(f) criteria" in the ONC Health IT Certification Program, certifying the transmission of data to public health agencies to:

1. Identify gaps in the functionalities and standards included in existing (f) criteria, including gaps in 1) functionality, and 2) implementation by developers. Provide recommendations advancing criteria, testing guidance, and/or standards to address gaps.
2. Assess the specific functions (e.g., receipt of data, ingestion of data, analysis of data) supported by public health data systems that would benefit from further standardization and potential certification.
3. Recommend which data flows, aligned with existing (f) criteria, should be prioritized for standardized receipt of data.

[*Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2021 Report](#)

Recommendations are due by November 10, 2022

Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 Roster



Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Gillian Haney (Co-Chair)	Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE)	Jennifer Layden**	CDC
Arien Malec* (Co-Chair)	Change Healthcare	Leslie Lenert*	Medical University of South Carolina
Rachelle Boulton	Utah Department of Health and Human Services	Hung Luu*	Children's Health
Hans Buitendijk*	Oracle Cerner	Mark Marostica	Conduent Government Solutions
Heather Cooks-Sinclair	Austin Public Health	Aaron Miri*	Baptist Health
Erin Holt Coyne	Tennessee Department of Health	Alexandra Mugge**	CMS
Charles Cross	Indian Health Service	Stephen Murphy	The Network for Public Health Law
Steven Eichner*	Texas Department of State Health Services	Eliel Oliveira*	Dell Medical School, University of Texas at Austin
Joe Gibson	CDC Foundation	Jamie Pina	Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)
Rajesh Godavarthi*	MCG Health, part of the Hearst Health network	Abby Sears*	OCHIN
Jim Jirjis*	HCA Healthcare	Vivian Singletary	Public Health Informatics Institute
John Kansky*	Indiana Health Information Exchange	Fillipe Southerland*	Yardi Systems, Inc.
Bryant Karras	Washington State Department of Health	Sheryl Turney*	Carelon Digital Platforms (an Elevance Health company)
Steven Lane*	Sutter Health		

* HITAC Member

** HITAC Federal Representative



Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2022 Timeline

August 25, 2022 – Kick-off of the PHDS Task Force

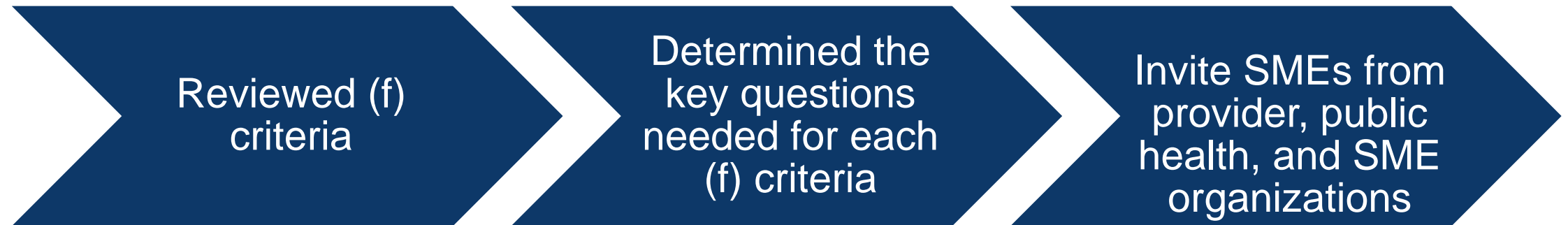
November 10, 2022 – HITAC Vote on Draft Recommendations

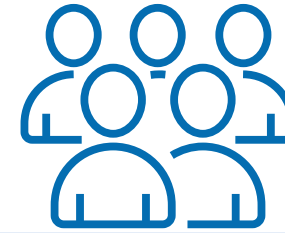
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12 Task Force Meetings Planned

2022

Approach





Public Health Reporting Criteria

Criterion Citation	Criterion Name
§ 170.315(f)(1)	Transmission to immunization registries
§ 170.315(f)(2)	Transmission to public health agencies — syndromic surveillance
§ 170.315(f)(3)	Transmission to public health agencies — reportable laboratory tests and value/results
§ 170.315(f)(4)	Transmission to cancer registries
§ 170.315(f)(5)	Transmission to public health agencies — electronic case reporting
§ 170.315(f)(6)	Transmission to public health agencies — antimicrobial use and resistance reporting
§ 170.315(f)(7)	Transmission to public health agencies — health care surveys

All criteria point to specific standards and implementation guides and are eligible for SVAP



Questions for SMEs

- A clear view of current state
 - What do you see as the current gaps as it relates to functionality and implementation of this (f) criteria?
 - What recommendations do you suggest advancing the criteria, testing guidance, and/or standards and implementation specifications to address gaps you have identified?
- A good understanding on what needs to be done to make interfaces work and have the ability to use the data being exchanged
 - In your opinion, what specific functions (e.g., sending of data, ingestion of data, analysis of data) that are supported by public health data systems, could benefit from tightening existing standards and implementation specifications, further standardization and potential certification?
 - What recommended data flows, aligned with existing (f) criteria, should be prioritized for standardized receipt of data?

Current Status

- We have started looking at each individual (f) criterion, meeting with SMEs
 - Began with immunizations to reflect advances made in improving standard data flows and data quality
- Initiated Topics Tracker Worksheet to document comments and develop consensus for recommendations organized by each criteria



Upcoming Meetings

Month	Task Force Meeting Dates	HITAC Meeting Date
September	9/21, 9/28	
October	10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26	10/13 (TF Update)
November	11/2, 11/9	11/10 (Final Recommendations and vote)

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<https://www.healthit.gov/hitac/committees/public-health-data-systems-task-force-2022>



Discussion

