



Health IT Advisory
Committee

Annual Report Workgroup Meeting

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Meeting Agenda

- Call to Order/Roll Call
- Opening Remarks
- Update on Workgroup Plans
- Discussion of Draft Crosswalk of Topics for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24
- Discussion of Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24
- Public Comment
- Next Steps and Adjourn



Update on Workgroup Plans

Meeting Schedule for the Annual Report Workgroup

Meeting Date	Action Items/Deliverables to Review
June 3, 2024	Develop list of topics for FY24 Annual Report
June 17, 2024	Develop list of topics for FY24 Annual Report
July 8, 2024	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY24 Annual Report
July 22, 2024	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY24 Annual Report
August 5, 2024	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY24 Annual Report
August 26, 2024	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY24 Annual Report
September 9, 2024	Develop crosswalk of topics and illustrative story ideas for FY24 Annual Report
September 23, 2024	Develop draft FY24 Annual Report
October 7, 2024	Develop draft FY24 Annual Report for HITAC review
October 29, 2024	Update draft FY24 Annual Report for HITAC approval
November/December 2024	Ready FY24 Annual Report for transmittal

Meeting Schedule for the Full Committee

Meeting Date	Action Items/Deliverables to Review
June 13, 2024	Update on status of FY24 Annual Report development
July 11, 2024	Update on status of FY24 Annual Report development (discuss topic list)
August 15, 2024	Update on status of FY24 Annual Report development (discuss crosswalk)
September 12, 2024	Update on status of FY24 Annual Report development
October 17, 2024	Review draft FY24 Annual Report
November 7, 2024	Approve final FY24 Annual Report

Next Steps for Development of the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- The workgroup proposes tiers for the topics and discusses illustrative story ideas today
- The workgroup presents selected information from the draft crosswalk of topics to the HITAC in September 2024
- The workgroup reviews the draft report in September and presents it to the HITAC in October 2024
- After further edits, the HITAC votes to approve the report and transmits it to the National Coordinator in November 2024
- ASTP forwards the final report to the HHS Secretary and Congress and posts it on healthit.gov



Discussion of Draft Crosswalk of Topics for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

Draft Crosswalk of Topics for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- Please refer to draft crosswalk of topics for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24
- Assign a proposed tier for each topic:
 - Immediate (calendar years 2025-2026)
 - Longer-Term (calendar years 2027-2030 and beyond)



Discussion of Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- The illustrative stories are aspirational, demonstrating examples of what the Recommended HITAC Activities will enable in the future rather than describing the current state. The following are initial ideas for each target area. Please suggest others as well.
- **Health Equity: Addressing Bias in AI Models for Clinical Care**
 - A health system dermatology department uses an AI tool trained on diverse data, including minority group representation
 - Clinicians can better diagnose skin conditions on darker skin tones with the user-friendly, transparent AI tool
 - Staff training and bias mitigation have improved diagnosis speed and reduced disparities in treatment of cancer, psoriasis, and eczema

Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- **Public Health: Leveraging the TEFCA for a Viral Outbreak**
 - A female patient visits an urgent care clinic in the evening, complaining of cough and fever
 - Her health data are updated in real-time through the TEFCA during her urgent care visit
 - Public health authorities use the de-identified data to identify and monitor a viral outbreak in her town
 - The TEFCA enables collaboration among state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT) authorities, ensuring resources are deployed efficiently to outbreak hotspots

Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- **Interoperability: Enhancing Post-Surgical Care Coordination**

- A senior patient is transferred from the hospital to a post-acute care facility after hip replacement surgery
- The post-acute care facility uses a certified Health IT Module for seamless data exchange with providers
- Radiological images and progress reports are shared with the surgeon and primary care provider (PCP), ensuring coordinated care
- The availability of post-surgery recovery data aids follow-up care, with imaging updates added to the patient's longitudinal record

Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- **Privacy and Security: Accessing PHI Disclosures**

- A patient with sickle cell anemia has been seeing her hematologist for five years and participated in a sickle cell study at her doctor's suggestion
- She is concerned about her privacy and curious about where her protected health information (PHI) has been disclosed
- A new patient portal feature of the hematologist's EHR system allows patients to request an accounting of PHI disclosures for the past six years, in accordance with recently enacted HIPAA regulations
- The feature was developed through a public-private partnership between the federal government and medical providers to simplify the disclosure tracking process
- The system tags PHI disclosures, presenting the information in layperson's terms at a sixth-grade reading level

Illustrative Story Ideas for the HITAC Annual Report for FY24

- **Patient Access to Information: Reducing Patient Burden**
 - A woman who speaks English as a second language sees multiple healthcare providers in different networks for several health conditions, resulting in extra effort to gather her health data from various specialists
 - Health IT developers have implemented features such as multiple languages, instructions in plain language written at a sixth-grade level, and both digital literacy and health information tutorials
 - As a result of the new patient portal functionality, she spends less time coordinating her care

Public Comment

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but they will be delivered to members of the workgroup and made part of the public record*

Meeting Adjourned