

OHHIT Steering Committee Minutes August 18, 2005

Participants: Bill Hayes, Philip Powers, Nancy Pekkanen Gillette, Richard K. Moore, Stephanie Jursek, Mary Crimmins, Rick Sites, Jon Wills, Heidi Gordon; *by phone*: Bonnie Hollopeter, Dan Ziemnik, Chris Knisely, Emily Welebob, Angela Hammond and Dawn Mays.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Stephanie Jursek, Project Manager of the OHHIT Project, welcomed the group, and all attendees introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF August 3, 2005 MINUTES

Rick Moore requested the minutes be corrected, concerning the spelling of Dan Smith's name. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made. The motion passed unanimously.

OHIO BRIEFING PAPER

Emily Welebob, Program Manager for eHealth Initiative, described in more detail the different sections of the briefing paper and gave an update on the progress made to date. An in depth discussion by the committee took place.

Interviews

Emily Welebob stated that a key aspect of the briefing paper is obtaining the information from the interviews and that interviewee names must be e-mailed to her or Philip by August 19. She further noted that she wanted a diverse group of people to interview and those identified should be from a variety of Ohio regions. Interviews will be completed by September 16. Committee members inquired on the interview process, and it was suggested that a summary of the discussion should be given to each interviewee for review. Emily Welebob duly noted the recommendation.

Legal Analysis

Emily Welebob announced that Marty Sweterlitsch, of the law firm of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff, LLP, would provide in-kind services in analyzing the legal barriers to the adoption of health information technology and health information exchange. Committee members offered to assist Marty Sweterlitsch with this section of the paper.

Draft Review

Emily Welebob stated that eHealth Initiative would complete the draft by September 23. The final paper would be finished by October 5. In reviewing the draft, Emily Welebob invited committee members to review the draft and make recommended changes. It was decided that there would be a subgroup of the committee to work with Emily Welebob. Nancy Pekkanen Gillette, Rick Sites, Chris Knisely and Rick Moore volunteered to be part of the subgroup.

2005 OHHIT SYPOSIUM AGENDA DISCUSSION

Bill Hayes made introductory remarks reiterating the vision for the OHHIT project. He outlined again the direction for the project. Specifically, he noted there would be two events: a public meeting and an "Invite Only" meeting. He explained the differences of the two meetings and the value of both meetings coupled with the integral role of the committee.

Emily Welebob shared with the committee two versions of the agenda for the public meeting. A key difference between the two versions entailed a morning event. In version A, the morning event would be a panel of people that would describe current activities in Ohio. In version B, it would include a panel discussion on reaction to the briefing paper. The committee chose version B with some slight modifications. The committee decided to extend the allotted time of the breakout sessions to two

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hours and eliminated the case study. Additionally, the afternoon session concerning the overview of activities in Ohio would be substituted with a presentation by Bill Braithwaite, MD, PhD. The Ohio activities would be addressed through a poster session at lunch. The last session would be renamed as the Summary and Next Steps.

Breakout Sessions

Emily Welebob denoted pertinent questions to present at the breakout sessions. Committee members sought clarification on the content and logistics of the sessions. There will be approximately five groups, and each will respond to the same questions. To avoid having unbalanced groups, each person will have a designation on the name tag for placement within a breakout session. There was broad consensus expressed by the committee with respect to this recommendation.

Reaction Panel

Stephanie Jursek sought input from the committee on the composition of the reaction panel, along with identification and securing Ohio speakers. Based on the discussion, it was decided that the focus areas on the panel would include public health, payers, employers and ambulatory care. In that regard, Rick Sites suggested Reed Fraley as a speaker, and Dan Ziemnik indicated he would advise of some potential clinicians for speakers.

Invitees

Philip Powers informed the committee that he was in the process of updating the invitation list and anticipated sending invitations out the week of August 22. Committee members indicated that they would distribute the invitation to their members within their special interest organizations.

Registration Fee

Committee members inquired whether there would be a registration fee to attend the symposium. In response, Bill Hayes indicated that a fee was not anticipated. The HPIO team would give further consideration to this recommendation based on the evaluation of current costs for implementation.

Abstracts/Posters

Mary Crimmins gave an overview of the electronic submission process for posters. There would be posters from both vendors and Ohio stakeholders. Rick Sites inquired on the number of posters expected to be submitted. Based on the positive turn out last year, committee members indicated that a foreseeable amount would be in a range of 15-30 posters. Bill Hayes also envisioned that HPIO would contact speakers from the summit last year to consider submitting posters for the symposium.

Committee Composition

Bill Hayes made some introductory remarks and suggested that the interviews should provide additional insight on prospective committee members. In light of the time limit, Stephanie Jursek requested that the remainder of the discussion be tabled for the next meeting. The committee agreed unanimously.

Other Business

There was no additional business addressed in the meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Stephanie Jursek announced that the next meeting date will be September 1.