

# Interim Governance Committee

## MINUTES

04/15/10

10:00 A.M.

SC BUDGET & CONTROL BOARD, OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Emma Forkner, Director, DHHS
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Governance
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Emma Forkner
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Tracy Smith, ORS
<b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR DESIGNEE PRESENT</b>	Emma Forkner, Director, SC DHHS David Patterson, PhD, Chief, Office of Research and Statistics, Health and Demographics Jay Moskowitz, President and CEO, Health Sciences South Carolina John G. Black, M.D., President, SC Medical Association Melanie Matney, South Carolina Hospital Association Sue Veer, Board Chair, Lakelands Rural Health Network Myra Wearing Cochran, Consumer Lathran Woodard, SCPHCA Graham Adams, PhD, SC Office of Rural Health

### Agenda topics

MEETING MINUTES

EMMA FORKNER

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The minutes from the 3/18/10 meeting were approved.
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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE H.4538

BOBBY BOWERS  
EMMA FORKNER

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Full committee (Labor, Commerce and Industry) reported H.4538 out to the floor as amended, unanimously. Next to full House for approval.
Telemedicine definition included; establishes a Governance Committee of 20-25 people, Executive Committee to meet quarterly, a smaller group to meet on a more frequent basis and report back; clarifies the CLIA issue and the passing of medical records; some consequences were struck, others left in the legislation.	

HIE GRANT UPDATE

EMMA FORKNER

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HIE grant partners: DHHS, ORS, DHEC, and the Department of Commerce.</li> <li>HSSC was awarded the Regional Extension Center grant; SC Office of Rural Health, SCPHCA, and the CCME will all work with providers under the grant.</li> <li>Medicaid applied for grant dollars to establish Electronic Health Record Incentive Payment System, also under DHHS.</li> </ul>
<b>HIT Landscape:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Palmetto HIT Network – AHEC’s statewide education outreach program for the incentive payments under contract with DHHS. Medicare will do outreach as well.</li> <li>CITIA – Center for Health Information Technology Implementation Assistance under the Regional Extension Center brand.</li> <li>SCHIEx – The Health Information Exchange for South Carolina under the ORS.</li> </ul>	
Operations committee to address the numerous acronyms, logos, and come up with an overarching message uniting all. Need a single brand to unite the sub-brands.	

BUSINESS PLAN

DAVID PATTERSON

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Sustainability model was developed by the Department of Commerce and is now being discussed with providers and provider groups to gather feedback and determine feasibility. Model was driven by environmental scan and based on various scenarios in terms of adoptions rates and how they would vary across provider types. Pricing structures cover program costs, includes a 3.5% standard inflator over time for cost increases. Costs include: Core services, operational costs, move to/support for SCHIEx at DSIT including a 24/7 help desk. Of two pricing models offered, alternative pricing based on the number of eligible providers or licensed bed size is a more fair pricing model than tiered pricing.</p> <p>Optional features for subscription: E-prescribe, Thin EMR SCHIEx component, etc.</p> <p>The pricing structures are subject to change.</p> <p>Next – work on standardizing language and marketing package</p>
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OPERATIONAL PLAN

STEFANI GOSSEN

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Two major themes within the Operational Plan are how the detailed results of the environmental scan feed into the Business Plan and the sustainability of the Exchange; and the coordination of all stakeholders and participants working together to achieve the vision of the Strategic Plan. The Plan lays out what needs to be accomplished, when, how, and by whom.</p>
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POLICY AND PRIVACY SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

KELLY JOLLEY

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>The draft business associate agreement (BAA) was reviewed by the legal counsels of the SCHA and DHHS; comments will be implemented. However, the BAA has been tabled until the Participation Agreement has been finalized.</p> <p>NHIN: Solely a set of standards and specifications; not a physical network. Connection to NHIN will not satisfy meaningful use or provide for incentive payments. NHIN Direct is only a pilot project with a beginning date and end date.</p> <p>CLIA – The interpretive guidance does not resolve underlying issues regarding authorized users. However, the SCHIEx bill addresses the issue of authorized user in § 44-140-110. The length of time patient records be kept on file, if there is continuous access, or a provider changes lab providers are all issues to be dealt with contractually.</p> <p>Draft policies and procedures will continue to circulate within the Committee for comments and feedback.</p>
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<b>SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP</b>		
<b>Policy / Privacy</b>	<b>Operations</b>	<b>Technical</b>
Membership has not changed. Refer to the 2/21/10 meeting minutes.		

<b>FUTURE MEETING DATES: (10:00 A.M.)</b>		
June 17, 2010		
July 15, 2010		
August 19, 2010		