

Health Information Technology Exchange Board of Directors

Committee Description and Membership

Technical Infrastructure Committee

is responsible for making recommendations to the Board on statewide architecture, hardware, software, application, network configuration and other technical aspects that physically enable for HIE service in a secure and appropriate manner. All recommendations need to address the short-term (> 3 years) and long-term (4+ years) goals to support the planning and implementing phases of the overall project. Short-term goals will identify the local and State-level requirements that can be achievable and long-term goals that will address interoperability with the NHIN. The Committee is responsible to:

- Define and develop the technical architecture and approach for the statewide HIE and ensures adherence to HHS adopted standards and certifications;
- Leverage existing State and public efforts and resources that exist to support the vision for HITE-CT, for example:
 - Master patient/client indexes;
 - Public health registries and support systems, and compliance with the nationwide Public Health Information Network (PHIN);
 - Current and planned health information organizations and other HIE and HIE-like systems in place in Connecticut;
 - State Medicaid HIT Planning efforts; and
 - State Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS).
- Establish an architecture for the State's HIE that is best suited to State, local and regional characteristics, in compliance with national interoperability, information exchange, security and other standards that support the HIT efforts, and that are in line with Federal meaningful use requirements;
- Identify existing HIE mechanisms that are scalable - ultimately enabling full interoperability and exchange of health information consistent with the State's Strategic Plan;
- Consider hosted solutions for all or part of the HIE solution requirements; and
- Integrate with the Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN) and the CMS CONNECT gateway.

Committee Members

Peter Courtway*	– Committee Chair
Steve Casey*	– Connecticut Department of Information Technology
Val Cyganowski	– Norwalk Hospital
John DeStefano	– HITE-CT
Ludwig Johnson	– Middlesex Hospital
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