

Health Information Technology Exchange of Connecticut
Legal and Policy Committee
January 19, 2012

Meeting Minutes

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Lynch (phone), Lori Reed-Fourquet (phone), Brenda Plaag (phone)

HITE-CT MEMBERS: Denese Sterling

LEGAL COUNSEL: Jennifer Groves

PUBLIC: Christie Kraus

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of the November 17, 2011, December 06, 2011, December 14, 2011, and January 03, 2012 meeting minutes was postponed because there was no quorum.

Discussion and Development of Opt-out Process

Comments and recommendations were accepted from the group as part of the updates that will be made to the Opt-out, Opt-back-in, and Opt-in for sensitive information documents.

- There was no indication to opt-out of emergency situations on the current form.
- There was a recommendation to have two clear options of consent in emergency situations 1) I consent to my information been available in emergency situations and 2) I do not consent in cases of emergency.
- There was recommendation to develop a consumer hotline to field questions from the public.
- The forms will need to be scanned into the EMR systems at the health care facilities in order to be sent to the exchange.
- A test to capture a patient's consent and send it to the exchange will be conducted on February 07, 2012.
- There was a recommendation to make the forms as simple as possible in order for patients to understand what they are signing to.

Next Steps

- L. Reed-Fourquet will make the accepted updates to the documents.
- Review of the other policy documents will continue at the upcoming meetings.
- L. Reed-Fourquet will reach out to some of the test participants to invite them to the next meeting.

Public Comment

There were no public comments

Schedule of Meetings:

- January 25, 2012
- Standing meetings are the first Tuesday of the month, 8:30-10 AM at BEST.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM