# IT INVESTMENT CAPITAL FUND
# PROJECT STATUS REPORT

**To:** Information Technology Strategy and Investment Committee
John Vittner, Office of Policy & Management

**FROM:** W. Michael Regan, Department of Correction

**AGENCY/PROJECT NAME: DOC / Health Portal**

**PROJECT MANAGER:** Elizabeth Thornquist

**REPORTING PERIOD:** 7/1/2014 through 12/31/2014

**Total Funds Requested:** $ 8,050,000

**Bond Commission Approval(s):** Date: 6/21/ 2014 Amount: $ 6,150,000

**Accumulative Total Capital Fund Expenditures to Date:** $811,022.90

**Brief Project Description/Summary:**
The DOC Health Portal project is a three phase project that will establish an electronic health records system within DOC and ultimately establish a healthcare portal linking such records to the various state agencies, outside community agencies, and external hospitals and clinics involved in the healthcare of our patients while also feeding into the state's Health Information Exchange. The project provides for both improvements in the ways that the agency cares for its inmate patients within its facilities as well as providing us the opportunity to ensure that the healthcare gains made by DOC patients while under agency care are not lost when inmate patients are released to the community.

**Summary of Progress Achieved to Date:**
In the July – December reporting period, the Steering Committee narrowed the field of prospective vendors to the top three scorers. The three were invited to provide scripted, day-long product demonstrations in August, 2014. These were attended by CMHC and DOC subject matter experts from all functional and technical disciplines. Follow-up meetings were held with the subject matter experts to develop a consensus score for each of the vendor demonstrations.

Reference calls for each of the three top-scoring vendors were completed in September and October. The Department of Correction in Essex, NJ hosted a webinar that allowed reference call committee members to see the top scoring vendor operating in a live setting.

In November, 2014, the Steering Committee voted to begin contract negotiations with the top-scoring vendor. As of yearend, the vendor has completed a review of the base contract and primary exhibits. These have been submitted to the DAS attorney for review.

**Issues and Risks:**
- Outside dependency: Completion of HIPAA compliance project is required prior to EHR go-live. The 18-month project is dependent on approval of one FTE (DOC HIPAA Security Officer) and approval of bond funding for the project. Both of these are pending approval.
- DAS and AG resource availability may slow contract negotiations.

**Next Steps & Project Milestones:**
- Complete all contract exhibits
- Complete DAS review/approval
- Complete AG review/approval
- Contract signature
- Project kickoff