



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER

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David Blumenthal, MD, MPP
National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
Department of Health & Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, S. W.
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Dr. Blumenthal:

As Commissioner for the Connecticut Department of Public Health and Chair of the Board of Directors for the Health Information Technology Exchange of Connecticut (HITE-CT), please accept for consideration this updated version of the Connecticut Health Information Exchange Strategic and Operational Plan, dated December 2, 2010. This version of the Plan reflects Connecticut's responses to feedback from your office regarding the state's initial plan submission of September 20, 2010.

Further revisions to the Plan are anticipated, influenced by the on-going change in elected officials at the federal and state levels, as well as revisions forthcoming from our contractor, Gartner, Inc., as reflected in the attachment. The HITE-CT Board of Directors will be responsible to review and update the Plan annually.

In anticipation of ONC approval of this revised plan, Connecticut requests release of operational funds as soon as possible. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


J. Robert Galvin, MD, MPH, MBA

