

CC - MONTHLY CALL MEETING NOTES 1 26 11

Coordinating Committee

Monthly Call

Meeting Notes: 1/26/11 (2:00 - 3:00 pm EST)

NOTE: *Portions of the meeting notes related to Confidential Participant Information may have been removed.*

Committee Members (attendance signified with a “✓”)

Participant Members

- ✓ Michael Matthews, MedVirginia (CC Chair)
- ✓ Kitt Winter, SSA
- ✓ Marc Overhage, Regenstrief
- ✓ John Mattison, Kaiser Permanente
- ✓ Laura Conn, CDC
- ✓ Stone Quillian, DoD
- Stephania Griffin, VA
- Rodney Cain, HealthBridge

Cooperative Representative Members

- ✓ Holt Anderson, NCHICA (CC Vice-Chair)

Definite Plan Member

Jeffrey Blair, LCF Research

ONC

- ✓ Mary Jo Deering
- ✓ Mariann Yeager (CC Secretary)

Invited Subject Matter Experts

- ✓ Steve Gravely, Troutman Sanders
- ✓ Erin Whaley, Troutman Sanders
- Doug Fridsma, ONC Office of Standards and Interoperability
- Rich Kernan, Specifications Lead, ONC
- Leslie Power, ONC Testing Team

Confirmed Observers

- ✓ Pat Pope, CareSpark
- ✓ Joe Turk, Cleveland Clinic
- ✓ Lt. Laurie Brown, DoD
- ✓ Kathy Church, HealthLinc (Bloomington Hospital)
- ✓ Tom Fritz, Inland Northwest Health Services
- ✓ Kara Johnson, Marshfield Clinic
- ✓ Melissa Owens, Marshfield Clinic
- ✓ Cindy Sutliff, New York eHealth Collaborative
- ✓ Kevin Brady, NIST
- ✓ Dennis Reuss, Quality Health Network
- ✓ Pam Waters, SSA
- ✓ Marty Prah, SSA
- ✓ Kate Cauley, Wright State University
- ✓ Samantha Stamper, WVHIN
- ✓ Renee Rowell, ONC Office of Standards and Interoperability
- ✓ Jitin Asnaani, ONC Office of Standards and Interoperability
- ✓ Vijay Shah, ONC Implementation Team
- ✓ Linda Toscano, ONC Implementation Team
- ✓ Amram Ewoo, ONC/Deloitte
- ✓ Benson Chang, ONC/Deloitte
- ✓ Erik Pupo, ONC/Vangent
- ✓ Kate Berry, NeHC
- ✓ Aaron Seib, NeHC
- ✓ Vernetta Roberts, NeHC
- ✓ Meryt McGindley, NeHC
- ✓ Lisa Kosh, NeHC

Meeting Summary

Agenda Topic #1: Identify participants

Discussion Summary: Roll call facilitated to identify CC members and observers present.

Decision / Outcome: See list of participants and observers noted above.

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #2: Quorum

Discussion Summary: Committee Chair confirmed the CC members present and declared a quorum.

Decision / Outcome: Quorum was established since 6 of the voting members, including at least one Federal and one non-Federal Type 1 members, were present.

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #3: Review Agenda

Discussion Summary: The agenda was reviewed and a request for any new business was made.

Decision / Outcome: A CC member asked ONC to provide an update on the status of the CONNECT contract.

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #4: Approve 1/26/11 Meeting Notes

Discussion Summary: Meeting notes from 1/26/11 were reviewed by the CC.

Decision / Outcome: A motion to approve the 1/26/11 meeting notes was made, seconded and approved without further discussion.

Action / Follow Up: Mark meeting notes as final and post to <http://www.hhs.gov/healthit> web site.

Agenda Topic # 5: Policy & Technical Task Group Update

Discussion Summary: The Policy & Technical Task Group has developed recommendations on several issues related to validation testing including the objectives of testing, the process used to address “breaking changes” discovered in testing, the approval process for changes to testing capabilities, the approval process for testing artifacts, and the conditions that trigger retesting. These recommendations are described in detail in Attachment 2 of the meeting materials and were summarized for the CC by Mariann Yeager. The Policy & Technical Task Group also discussed issues related to the scope of validation testing, but was unable to arrive at a recommendation. Instead, the Task Group is putting forth three options for the CC to consider and seeking guidance from the CC on which option best describes the scope of the system to be tested during the validation process. The CC discussed these three options, which are outlined in Attachment 2. The options are to 1) treat the system as a black box, 2) request that the applicant describe its architecture and attest to the components being brought forward, or 3) the applicant and ONC mutually agree on the components to be tested. While the CC did not have a definitive recommendation, the members generally supported the first option (treating the system as a black box).

The CC also discussed a new issue which is being brought forward by SSA and MedVirginia. The issue concerns whether a CCD that does not have any clinical content (an “empty CCD”) should be sent by a participant in response to a query from another participant. The CC is asking the Policy & Technical Task Group to discuss this issue and make a recommendation for resolution to the CC.

Decision / Outcome: A motion to approve Recommendations 1 – 5 from the Policy and Technical Task Group, as described in Attachment 2, was made, seconded and approved.

Action / Follow Up: Staff will communicate the CC’s approval of Testing Recommendations 1 – 5, its guidance on the scope of testing issue and the new “empty CCD” issue to the Policy & Technical Task Group.

Agenda Topic #6: DURSA Task Group Update

Discussion Summary: The DURSA Task Group has been working to amend the Agreement. We received a number of comments through the Federal clearance process that we are working to disposition. One of the comments we received during the clearance process suggested that the “Payment” and “Health Care Operations” components of the revised definition of “Permitted Purpose” should be further revised to remove a perceived ambiguity. The DURSA Task Group discussed the comment regarding the Payment and Health Care Operations Permitted Purposes and the commenter’s suggested revisions. The Task Group made a recommendation for resolution which the CC reviewed and endorsed. Following that endorsement, at ONC’s request, additional information gathering was done to understand the exact use cases that were contemplated for health plans. Based on the information that was obtained, a more narrowly tailored revision to the definition of “Permitted Purposes” will be presented to the DURSA Task Group. This revision was included in Attachment 3 of the meeting materials. The CC discussed the new language in Attachment 3 and did not have any objections.

Decision / Outcome: N/A

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #7: Status Regarding Implementation of the Operations Tiger Team Recommendations

Discussion Summary: In November 2010, the Operations Tiger Team completed its quarterly reassessment of the structures and processes that are in place to support the Exchange. The Operations Tiger Team developed a series of recommendations and is currently creating a work plan to implement these recommendations. Additional information on the work plan will be provided at the CC's next meeting.

Decision / Outcome: N/A

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #8: New Business

Discussion Summary: ONC provided a brief update on the status of the CONNECT contract. It is being resolved and proposals are under review. Nitor is providing interim support for CONNECT, but there are no projected dates for fixes to CONNECT.

Decision / Outcome: N/A

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #9: Meeting Schedule

Discussion Summary: N/A

Decision / Outcome:

- Next monthly call: 3/23/11, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
- Anticipated agenda items for next meeting:
 - Approve 2/25/11 Meeting Notes

Action / Follow Up: N/A

Agenda Topic #10: Adjournment

Discussion Summary: The Chair asked whether there was any other business the CC wanted to address. No other business was raised.

Decision / Outcome: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed without further discussion. The meeting adjourned.

Action / Follow Up: N/A