# CC - MONTHLY CALL MEETING NOTES 12 10 10

# **Coordinating Committee**

Monthly Call

Meeting Notes: 12/10/10 (1:30 - 2:30 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)
- ✓ Justine Piereman, SSA
- ✓ Stephania Griffin, VA
- ✓ Rodney Cain, HealthBridge
- Marc Overhage, Regenstrief Laura Conn, CDC John Mattison, Kaiser Permanente Stone Quillian, DoD

# **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**

- ✓ Joe Turk, Cleveland Clinic
- ✓ Karin Marr. DoD
- ✓ Lt. Laurie Brown, DoD.
- ✓ Kathy Church, HealthLinc (Bloomington Hospital)
- ✓ Tom Fritz, Inland Northwest Health Services
- ✓ Cindy Sutliff, New York eHealth Collaborative
- ✓ Kevin Brady, NIST
- ✓ Adrian Able, South Carolina Health Information Exchange
- ✓ Kitt Winter, SSA
- ✓ Pam Waters, SSA
- ✓ Marty Prahl, 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 NW-HIN Implementation Team
- ✓ Amram Ewoo, ONC/Deloitte
- ✓ Erik Pupo, ONC/Vangent
- ✓ Aaron Seib, NeHC
- ✓ Vernette 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 7 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: No new business was identified.

Action / Follow Up: N/A

# Agenda Topic #4: Approve 11/23/10 Meeting Notes

Discussion Summary: Meeting notes from 11/23/10 were reviewed by the CC.

Decision / Outcome: A motion to approve the 11/23/10 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: Update on Governance Work Group

Discussion Summary: The Work Group has been refining its recommendations in response to the feedback from the Health IT Policy Committee and will present these revised recommendations on 12.13.10. The recommendations will focus on better defining two of the components of governance identified by the Work Group - the Federal role and the validation role.

Decision / Outcome - Summary: N/A

Action / Follow Up: N/A

# Agenda Topic # 6: Policy & Technical Task Group Update

Discussion Summary: The Policy & Technical Task Group is continuing to meet. At its last meeting, the Task Group had a very productive discussion about issues related to testing. These discussions will continue over the next few weeks and will result in recommendations to the CC on improvements that can be made in the testing process. The Task Group is also working on issues related to the development of profiles and enhancements to the UDDI. Recommendations on these issues will be forthcoming as well.

Decision / Outcome: N/A

Action / Follow Up: N/A

### Agenda Topic #7: 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. During its December 1, 2010 meeting, the DURSA Task Group discussed the comment regarding the Payment and Health Care Operations Permitted Purposes and the commenter's suggested revisions. The resolution discussed by the Task Group is included in the issue brief that was included in the meeting materials. The resolution would alleviate the commenter's concern by clarifying that information can only be transacted for a healthcare provider or health plan's payment activities or the provider or plan's health care operations if certain requirements are met.

While these revisions effectively resolve the concern raised by the commenter, they also expand the Permitted Purposes beyond what has been previously considered. The Task Group's proposed revisions (in the issue brief) would allow health plans to send information or query other Participants for the health plan's payment and operations activities. Under the existing definition of Permitted Purposes, a health plan (if it is a Participant or Participant User) can query a health care provider for the health care provider's payment or operations but not its own. These revisions would effectively expand the definition of Permitted Purposes. As a result, the Task Group is asking the Coordinating Committee for guidance on this issue.

The CC Members were supportive of the DURSA Task Group's proposed revision to the definition of Permitted Purpose. They wanted to make sure that health plans would be able to obtain information through the Exchange to substantiate a provider's request for reimbursement. They also recognized, however, that allowing health plans to query other participants for information related to the health plan's payment and health care operations activities may have consequences that have not yet been thoroughly vetted. The CC asked the DURSA Task Group to develop a list of these issues for further study.

Decision / Outcome: A motion to approve the revisions to the definition of "Permitted Purpose" as set forth in the DURSA Issue Brief was made, seconded and approved.

Action / Follow Up: The CC's decision will be reported to DURSA Task Group and the Task Group will be asked to identify issues related to health plans participation in the Exchange that require further study.

# Agenda Topic #8: New Business

Discussion Summary: N/A
Decision / Outcome: N/A
Action / Follow Up: N/A

# **Agenda Topic #9: Meeting Schedule**

Discussion Summary: N/A Decision / Outcome:

Next monthly call: 1/26/10, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Anticipated agenda items for next meeting:

- Approve 12/10/10 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