What is the HITAC?

The Health Information Technology Advisory Committee (HITAC) was established in the 21st Century Cures Act (Cures Act) and is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act which sets forth standards for the formation and use of federal advisory committees.

What does the HITAC do?

The HITAC recommends to the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology policies, standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria. The HITAC has focused on four target areas as defined in the Cures Act: Interoperability, Privacy and Security, Patient Access to Information, and Use of Technologies that Support Public Health.

HITAC Member Appointments and Federal Representatives

27 MEMBERS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022

8 Congressional Appointments
Two from each party in House/Senate

16 GAO Appointments
Four patient advocate/consumer members

3 HHS Appointments

6 Federal Representatives
OVER 300 PUBLIC HITAC MEETINGS HELD AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022

3 Hearings: Prior Authorization, COVID-19 Response, Public Health Data Systems
36 HITAC Meetings
268 Subcommittee Meetings

14 Committees Total

411 RECOMMENDATIONS TRANSMITTED TO THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022

2018 Subcommittees
- Trusted Exchange Framework Task Force: 28
- U.S. Core Data for Interoperability Task Force 2018: 9

2019 Subcommittees
- Conditions and Maintenance of Certification Requirements Task Force: 35
- Health IT for the Care Continuum Task Force: 13
- Information Blocking Task Force: 58
- Interoperability Standards Priorities Task Force 2018: 42
- Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement Task Force: 30
- U.S. Core Data for Interoperability Task Force 2019: 48

2020 Subcommittees
- Intersection of Clinical and Administrative Data Task Force: 15

2021 Subcommittees
- EHR Reporting Program Task Force 2021: 20
- Interoperability Standards Priorities Task Force 2021: 7
- Public Health Data Systems Task Force 2021: 52
- U.S. Core Data for Interoperability Task Force 2021: 54

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Other Subcommittees
- Annual Report Workgroup

Other HITAC Deliverables
- HITAC Policy Framework
- HITAC Annual Reports