Health IT Funding Workshop for South Dakota Rural Healthcare Facilities
East River Electric, 211 South Harth Avenue, Madison, SD
June 2, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m. Welcome
Leila Samy, Rural Health IT Coordinator, Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT, US Department of Health and Human Services
Linda Salmonson, Economic Development Manager, East River Electric Power Cooperative
Bruce Jones, Acting State Director, USDA Rural Development

9:20 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. Faulkton Area Medical Center
Brief overview of the success they have had in utilizing USDA Rural Development programs.
Jay Jahnig, CEO/Administrator, Faulkton Area Medical Center
Verne Hanson, Board President, Faulkton Area Medical Center

Anticipated HIT/HIE Needs to Comply with the Affordable Care Act and Achieving Meaningful Use
Brief overview on the Meaningful Use Stage One and Stage Two requirements and the care coordination standards set by the ACA, including PCMH. Review of the common types of upgrades and integration requirements typically needed by organizations to meet these standards and requirements.
Kevin Dewald, South Dakota State Health IT Coordinator

Telehealth
gpTRAC is the federally-designated telehealth resource center serving South Dakota and surrounding states. A brief overview will shared about the assistance and information available as telehealth services are being considered and developed within your own organization.
Mary DeVany, Director, Great Plains Telehealth Resource & Assistance Center (gpTRAC)

10:20 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break

USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Programs Available from Rural Development (eligibility and use of funds)

- Distance Learning and Telemedicine Loan and Grant - Development of advanced telecommunication which provides enhanced learning and health care opportunities in rural areas.
  Cory Herman, P.E., General Field Representative, USDA Rural Utilities Service-SD
- Community Facilities Program – Provide loans and grants towards the development essential community facilities in rural communities.
  Doug Roehl, Community Programs Director, USDA Rural Development-SD
- Business & Industry Program – Finance economic development and job creation in rural areas.
  Dana Kleinsasser, Rural Business & Cooperative Programs Director, USDA Rural Development-SD

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch (Making the Connection - Networking)

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Making the Connection
A group discussion to frame the hands-on session that follows. USDA will discuss their efforts to leverage existing rural economic development programs to increase health IT infrastructure in rural areas. IT subject matter experts will help participants make the connection between their IT needs (both present and future) and the funding opportunities available that meet those needs. Hospital and clinic participants will have an opportunity to discuss their initial project ideas and to ask general questions about the program.

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. “Hands On”
Discussions between hospital and clinic staff, rural cooperatives, and rural economic developers to get the process started.

3:30 p.m. Adjourn