

Committee Name: HIE Steering Committee	Committee Chair: Jenney Samuelson
Meeting Goals: 1) Welcome and schedule update 2) HIE Steering Committee Member presentations 3) Wrap-Up	Mtg. Facilitator: Emily Richards Mtg. Recorder: Marie Bernier Where: AHS – WSOC
	Conference: Cherry Conference Rm/Call in Code:
	Date: April 3, 2019 Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm
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Attendees (Present Bold) <i>Non-Voting Member in Italics</i>			
Name	Title	Name	Title
Jenney Samuelson, Chair	Deputy Commissioner, DVHA	Simone Rueschemeyer	Executive Director, Vermont Care Network
Tracy Dolan	Deputy Commissioner, AHS	Michael Smith	VITL, Vermont’s Health Information Exchange Operator
Tyler Gauthier	OneCare Vermont	Beth Tanzman	Executive Director, Blueprint for Health
Emma Harrigan	Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems	Andrew Laing	<i>Chief Data Officer, ADS</i>
Linda Leu	Representing a person who engages with the health care system	Emily Richards	<i>Program Director, HIE/HIT</i>
Georgia Maheras	Bi-State Primary Care Association	Naomi Hahr	<i>Program Manager, HIE/HIT</i>
Jimmy Mauro	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont	Marie Bernier	<i>Executive Assistant, HIE/HIT</i>

	Agenda Item	Topic Facilitator	Schedule
I.	Welcome	Richards	10:30 – 10:40
II.	Vermont Department of Health (VDH)	Dolan	10:40 – 11:10
III.	Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)	De la Bruere	11:10 – 11:40
IV.	Vermont Care Partners (VCP)	Rueschemeyer	11:40 – 12:20
V.	Wrap-Up	Richards	12:20 – 12:30

	Agenda Topic	Topic Facilitator	NOTES <i>(notes are provided in italics and blue)</i>	Action Items
I.	Welcome	Richards	<i>The group was welcomed to the fourth meeting. Richards announced a few updates to the existing timeline: the assessment of data</i>	

			<p><i>governance efforts was moved from April to May to allow time for assessment and discussion and the Draft Technical Roadmap was moved from July to August (noting that the schedule will be presented at the May 1 meeting).</i></p> <p><i>Richards also announced that Lantana and Velatura are now under contract to support the Committee in developing the IT Technical Roadmap, which will be included in this year's HIE Plan update.</i></p> <p><i>Richards turned the focus of the meeting to the three Committee members showcasing their presentations today: Vermont Department of Health, Vermont Information Technology Leaders and Vermont Care Partners.</i></p>	
II.	Vermont Department of Health (VDH)	Tracy Dolan, Jessie Hammond, Ali Johnson and Hannah Hauser	<p><i>The Vermont Department of Health (VDH) presented on four topics: the Cancer Registry, the Immunization Registry, the Informatics Consultant, and the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. The presentation is available here.</i></p> <p><i>VDH maintains the VT Cancer Registry (VCR) and the VT Immunization Registry (IMR). Information in the IMR is collected via hospitals (including Veteran Affairs), physicians, death certificates, other states' registries, pathology laboratories, HL7 & batch import, and direct entry. The data is used for, but not limited to, sharing, analyzing, and aggregating, and meeting CDC reporting requirements.</i></p> <p><i>VDH has 50-70 data repositories ranging from survey data to registries which could open more avenues for sharing opportunities. In addition, the registries can be used for population health management e.g., VDH recently compared the incidence of PFOA in communities and related occurrences of cancer. They also use the Cancer Registry to support mandated annual reporting to the CDC's national cancer registry. Registry</i></p>	

			<p><i>data is available to researchers (they must follow standard IRB process to obtain the data).</i></p> <p><i>In alignment with efforts to enhance/impact/support their work with public health, VDH has brought on a Health Informatics Consultant whose primary focus will be data analysis and aggregation and aggregate data reporting and sharing. The Consultant is asked to develop a comprehensive public health informatics strategy for the Department. Additionally, VDH has a grant for measuring and publicly sharing opioid data and the Consultant will work in partnership with that project.</i></p> <p><i>VDH also maintains Vermont’s prescription Monitoring System (VPMS), the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), which is a clinical tool to collect and monitor prescriptions, specifically opiate prescriptions, within Vermont. VDH, DVHA staff, and other New England states/partners will be attending a NESCO meeting on April 30, 2019 in Maine to discuss how to best take advantage of 100% Support Act funding to link HIEs and PDMPs.</i></p>	
III.	Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)	Andrea de la Bruere	<p><i>Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL) is a non-profit that was established in 2005 to maintain and operate the Vermont Health Information Exchange (VHIE). Their presentation is available here.</i></p> <p><i>VITL is working to increase the amount of organizations connected to the VHIE to support direct care. They are placing greater emphasis on “perfecting their technology” to promote interoperability and also to reduce provider burden by focusing on data access tools that are integrated into the Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems. Currently, access to Single Sign On to the provider portal is contingent on 1. The EHRs ability to add this function and 2. VITL’s time in adding the project to their current list of projects. They are also currently focused on</i></p>	

			<p><i>utilizing and improving their IT infrastructure and diversifying revenues to support sustainability.</i></p> <p><i>VITL noted that the State’s consent policy hinders providers ability to find patient records in the VHIE.</i></p>	
IV.	Vermont Care Partners	Simone Rueschemeyer, Ken Gingras, and Cath Burns	<p><i>Vermont Care Partners (VCP) is a statewide network of sixteen community-based agencies (DAs and SSAs) providing a variety of services and supports to Vermonters. Their presentation is available here.</i></p> <p><i>VCP developed a data repository - not an exchange – where agency data is collected and stored for quality improvement, program management, reporting, and analysis. VCP applies the data from the repository using Tableau, an analytics and visualization tool, to develop dashboards for service providers.</i></p> <p><i>VCP is working to support procurement of both unified and collaborative EHR solutions for the DAs and SSAs. They lead a rigorous data governance process with the agencies and have spent a considerable amount of time standardizing electronic documentation to ensure high quality data collection via EHRs across their network.</i></p> <p><i>VCP noted that the ideal state is one in which their system is interoperable with other health data systems, particularly claims/financial systems so they could support measurement of the total cost of care.</i></p>	
V.	Data Governance	Andrew Laing & Emily Richards	<i>The presentation was postponed until the April 17 meeting.</i>	
VI.	Wrap Up	Emily Richards	<i>Presenters on April 17: Bi-state Primary Care Association and OneCare Vermont</i>	Members asked to provide feedback on the Committee Charter.