

# Health Information Exchange Steering Committee Meeting

## *Strategic Planning Session*

September 11, 2023

# Agenda

- Introductions
- 2023 Results
- Top 3 items from each org for 2024-2025 HIE Strategic Plan
- Prioritization
- Wrap up

# 2023 Results to Last Years Strategic Plan

Year	Goal	Current Status	Outlook for Dec 2023 Status	On Track	Notes
2023	Establish Data Governance for each data type and stakeholder use of it			Yes	
	Part2 Data Governance	100%	100%	Yes	Current Scope includes Designated Agency (DA)/Specialized Services Agency (SSA) data (42 CFR Part 2), in compliance with Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations including 42 CFR part 2, HIPAA and other applicable statutes.
	SDoH Data Governance	10%	30%	Yes	Kickoff completed. Project charter developed and stakeholder engagement/information gathering will follow.
	Data Governance Council	100%	100%	Yes	Formed team, established structure and charter, met monthly
2023	Focus on clinical data (completeness, quality, and standardization)			Yes	
	Data Completeness	10%	40%	Yes	2 CMS foundational measures (BP & A1C) identified and validation and analysis efforts planned with VITL. Will carry into 2024
	Data Standardization	70%	100%	Yes	DAs working in partnership with AHS to standardize EHR elements to USCDI and sunset custom elements
	Medicaid Data Access and Aggregation (MDAAP)	70%	100%	Yes	Program design complete. Anticipated launch by Oct'23. Data Quality/ Business Assistance efforts identified as part of Program Design, that is currently under CMS review.
	Bi-State Partnership	50%	100%	Yes	QI survey completed. Opioid & depression remission screening dashboard completed. Ongoing work with QI focus on providers to continue going forward.
2023	Funding Structure - establish milestones and guardrails for seeking private funding			Yes	
	Cost Benchmarking Analysis	100%	100%	Yes	
	Action Plan to implement Recommendations	10%	100%	Yes	
	Long Term Diversify Funding Structure	0%	50%	Yes	With the successful VHIE certification, CMS has continued its funding commitment at a level similar to HITECH's. Further funding exploration will continue into 2024 with a focus on evaluating the impacts of the pandemic and other financial strains on providers' ability to pay for new services.
2023	Establish new / additional interfaces to increase the richness of data. Promote portability of EHI through standards-based APIs and other interoperable health IT that permit individuals to readily send and receive their EHI across various platforms.			Yes	
	Provider connections/interfaces	90%	100%	Yes	Completed 123 new connections to date (goal was 135 by calendar year end).
	Part 2 Data - all Designated Agencies are connected to the HIE	25%	50%	Yes	Initial Connectivity & Testing (non PHI) completed between VITL and the two EHR Vendors - Netsmart and Credible. Currently working to align on data elements for ADT and CCD. Altogether 22 interfaces from 11 agencies (DA/SSA) in consideration for this project.
2023	Development work to start for HIE to serve as the Medicaid Data Warehouse			Yes	HIE-UHDS (designed & implemented by to-be procured vendor and operated by VITL) will include the Medicaid DW as a key customer/stakeholder
	VITL to be operator of Unified Health Data Space (data warehouse)			Yes	Initiation work has started (communication, vendors interaction, teams alignment) but actual operations can only start once the design & implementation have been completed (at least 24 months away).
2023	Enhance accessibility for Stakeholders			No	
	Stakeholder access expanded through existing VITL data warehouse	0%	0%	No	VITL will not expand current data warehouse, instead will be replaced by vendor data warehouse (RFP in process).
	Identity Management required for access	20%	40%	Yes	Plan B based on adjustment from data warehouse. API Gateway Vendor selection is in progress. Will carry into 2024. Focus on Provider access.
2023	Identify two use cases for SDOH and enable end to end implementation of it.			Partial	
	Vermont Chronic Care Initiative (VCCI) SDOH Ingestion	70%	90%	Yes	Identified as a use case for SDOH data, this use case is actively in execution and is scheduled to be completed in 2024 and will leverage the SDOH interfaces work above. Two Medicaid questionnaires for the VCCI eligible population will be ingested into the VHIE for care coordination and population health reporting. VITL has completed work in preparation to ingest SDOH data from a variety of sources into the FHIR Data Repository. This will be leveraged by both ongoing and future projects.
	SDOH Strategic Roadmap	10%	25%	Yes	Strategic Roadmap RFP in development and planned to be released by March'24.
	Oregon Pediatric Improvement Project and Social Autopsy Implementation	5%	10%	Partial	Technical dependencies not in place (Data warehouse delayed implementation)
2023	Integrate Dept of Health and HIE to include: bi - directional exchange of immunization records; vital statistics; electronic case reporting; Pharmacy Drug Monitoring Program			Yes	
	Bi-directional Exchange Pilot	100%	100%	Yes	VITL successfully completed the Bi-directional Exchange pilot in 2023, with 4 additional sites scheduled to come online in 2023. FY24 contract allows for 16 additional organizations (7 are already in progress).
	VDH-VHIE Integration Strategy	40%	100%	Yes	Contract executed with Brilljent, LLC, work is actively ongoing and scheduled to be completed in December 2023.
	Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) Study	100%	100%	Yes	A white paper authored by VITL describing the implications of the work and work products of the Gender Harmony Project (GHP) concerning the handling of SOGI data. VITL also completed an analysis of the availability of race, ethnicity and language data elements provided by submitting health care organizations and is continuing work with VDH to understand the data available and explore opportunities to work with submitters to improve data availability.

# Top 3 Strategic Items

# Wrap Up / Logistics

- Kristin request to HIE Steering Committee
  - Would the HIE Steering Committee be supportive on less narrative in HIE Strategic Plan?
  - Last year: [Vermont Health Information Exchange \(HIE\) Strategic Plan | Health Data](#)
  - More concise, bullet points
  - My experience – difficult to write and difficult to read