

2017 Current Fiscal Year Report: HIT Standards Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human
Services

2. Fiscal Year

2017

3. Committee or Subcommittee

HIT Standards Committee

3b. GSA Committee

No.

43018

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

5. Current Charter

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

No

04/29/2009

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

21st Century Cures
Act (P.L. 114-255)

8c. Actual Term Date

06/30/2017

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Yes

10b. Legislation Pending?

Enacted

11. Establishment Authority

Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

American Recovery &
Reinvestment Act of 2009
(Pub.L. 111-5), sec. 13101

13. Effective Date

02/17/2009

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

1

16b. Report Date

05/19/2017

Report Title

Recommendations to the National
Coordinator

Number of Committee Reports Listed:

1

17a. Open

6 17b. Closed0 17c. Partially Closed0 Other Activities0 17d. Total6

Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
The purpose of this meeting was to provide ONC updates, comment on the Health IT playbook, update on the Consumer Task Force, and update on ISAOs.	10/05/2016 - 10/05/2016	
The purpose of this meeting was to receive ONC updates, review the Quality Payment Program, and review the Enhanced Oversight and Accountability rule.	12/06/2016 - 12/06/2016	
The purpose of this meeting was to receive updates from ONC, review the Interoperability Standards Advisory, and update from the Consumer Task Force on the Health IT Playbook.	01/10/2017 - 01/10/2017	
The purpose of this meeting was to review and approve the recommendations from the Interoperability Standards Advisory Task Force.	02/07/2017 - 02/07/2017	
The purpose of this meeting was to review the draft recommendations from the Public Health Task Force.	03/08/2017 - 03/08/2017	
The purpose of this meeting was to approve the recommendations from the Public Health Task Force and hear feedback from the Consumer Task Force on the Patient Generated Health Data White Paper.	03/30/2017 - 03/30/2017	

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 6

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$126,958.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$198,000.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$28,000.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user		
charges, graphics, printing,	\$425,955.00	\$0.00
mail, etc.)		
18d. Total	\$778,913.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support		
Years (FTE)	2.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The HIT Standards Committee holds public meetings once a month, and provides recommendations to the National Coordinator for Health IT on standards, certification criteria and implementation specifications. The HITSC uses its taskforces to assist in the preparation of findings and recommendations.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The HIT Standards Committee reflects a broad range of stakeholders, including providers, ancillary healthcare workers, consumers, purchasers, health plans, technology vendors, researchers, relevant federal agencies, and individuals with technical expertise on health care quality, privacy and security, and on the electronic exchange and use of health information. Additional considerations were given to a broad representation of geographic areas, gender, race, ethnicity, and disability. Every effort was made to fill advisory committee membership by U.S. citizens.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The HIT Standards Committee met 10 times and its taskforces met an estimated 50 times to prepare and provide recommendations in a timely manner.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The HIT Standards Committee is required under the ARRA legislation and is an invaluable resource. Through the open meetings and hearings, the HITSC promotes transparency in ONC standards development and builds support and ownership among key private sector stakeholders in ONC policy and programs. It is a direct channel for private and public sector health IT leaders and the public to have direct input into Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) policies and regulations.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

In accordance with the 21st Century Cures Act, the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee (#2622) replaced both the HIT Standards Committee (# 43018) and the HIT Policy Committee (#43019).

Designated Federal Officer

Michelle Consolazio FACA Director

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Asnaani, Jitin	09/01/2015	06/30/2017	CommonWell	Representative Member
Dash, Rajesh	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Duke	Representative Member
Doo, Lorraine	02/01/2016	06/30/2017	Senior Policy Advisor, CMS	Ex Officio Member
Eisenberg, Floyd	12/01/2015	06/30/2017	Independent Consultant	Representative Member
Eron, Kay	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Intel	Representative Member
Johnson, Kevin	01/02/2016	06/30/2017	Vanderbilt	Representative Member
Johnson, Peter	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Retired	Representative Member

Kelly Hall, Leslie	01/01/2014	06/30/2017	Healthwise	Representative Member
Kennedy, Angela	09/01/2015	06/30/2017	Louisiana Tech University	Representative Member
Malec, Arien	11/01/2014	06/30/2017	RelayHealth Clinical Solutions.	Representative Member
Mandel, Joshua	09/01/2015	06/30/2017	Research Faculty at Harvard Medical School	Representative Member
Meadors, Kyle	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Consultant	Representative Member
Orvis, Nancy	02/01/2016	06/30/2017	Department of Defense	Ex Officio Member
Ou, Wanmei	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Oracle	Representative Member
O'Malley, Terry	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Massachusetts General Hospital - Partners	Representative Member
Sengstack, Patricia	09/01/2015	06/30/2017	Bon Secours Health System	Representative Member
Sriram, Ram	02/01/2016	06/30/2017	National Institute of Standards and Technology	Ex Officio Member
Wolf, Larry	06/01/2016	06/30/2017	Consultant	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 18

Narrative Description

The HIT Standards Committee provides advice and recommendations to the HHS National Coordinator for Health Information Technology on the standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria needed for the interoperable transmission of health data and information.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>

Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements

☐

Other

☐

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None

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Unable to Determine

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Under \$100,000

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\$100,000 - \$500,000

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\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

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\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

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\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000

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Over \$10,000,000

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Cost Savings Other

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Cost Savings Comments

Will be determined once the committee is further along in its work.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

142

Number of Recommendations Comments

Recommendations have been made on security-related certification criteria, standards and implementation specifications for EHR certification; standards for data elements, including those necessary in public health; development of the Certification Process for; Nationwide Health Information Network; vocabulary standards; and standards evaluation criteria.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

85%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

All recommendations are acted upon by ONC. ONC takes all recommendations and either issues something publically for comment or takes action as suggested by the recommendation. All other recommendations are implemented per the Committee's guidance (e.g. tools, guidance, training).

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

15%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Recommendations have been made from the HITSC regarding a number of rules. Not all recommendations are implemented in the same form that they are recommended from the committee, but ONC does its best to at least partially incorporate recommendations made by the committee into rules.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

Agency Feedback Comments

Not Applicable

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

All committee actions are available online.