June 10, 2020 | 12:00pm to 2:00pm | Virtual Meeting Only

Type of Meeting	Monthly eHealth Commission
Facilitator/Chair	Michelle Mills
Note Taker	Andrew Bondi
Timekeeper	Michelle Mills
Commission Attendees	Alex Pettit, Art Davidson, Ann Boyer, Rachel Dixon, David Mok-Lamme, Jason Greer, Morgan Honea, Marc Lassaux, Ashlie Brown (proxy for Michele Lueck), Michelle Mills, Carrie Paykoc, Chris Underwood, Chris Wells, Dana Moore, Wes Williams, Rachel Dixon, CO. Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera

Minutes

Call to Order

Agenda reviewed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve April minutes delayed until slightly later in meeting to accommodate late arrivals. It was noted that attendance for April needs to be updated to include Chris Underwood, who was present. Contingent upon that update, motion was moved by Art Davidson, seconded by Alex Pettit, and passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Remarks from Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera
  - OeHI and the eHealth Commission are critical to the success of our Public Health Response to COVID-19
  - Spread the word: For Mental Health services text TALK to 38255 or visit ColoradoCrisisServices.org
  - eHealth Commission is advancing health equity through the use of policy and technology to bridge socioeconomic gaps to make high-quality healthcare accessible to all

- OeHI Updates
  - OeHI Executive Assistant has been hired! Natalie Neubert is starting June 22nd
  - Moving July meeting due to a scheduling conflict to July 29th
    - Wildly Important Goal (WIG) discussion in July
    - The transition from HITECH Funding to Sustainable Funding in August
  - COVID Innovation Response Taskforce (IRT) is spinning down, IRT hit WIGs around TeleHealth and pilot efforts
    - Transitioning long term work to OeHI

- eHealth Commissioner WG Highlights and Decision Items
  - Jason Greer - Care Coordination
    - Goal is to develop Social Health Information Exchange (S-HIE) in Colorado
      - CCMCN, CORHIO, QHN contracts already in place
      - Inclusive approach bringing in existing efforts as we move forward
  - Rachel Dixon - Telehealth
    - Workgroup provided Rapid Response information to Gov/Lt. Gov for policy and executive orders
    - Received emergency funding from CMS for TeleHealth and 184 grant applications for that funding
    - Telehealth efforts have been transitioned from the COVID IRT to OeHI
    - Telehealth during pandemic has been significantly impactful for our most-at-risk populations; older adults, rural & uninsured communities
  - Mark Lassaux - Advancing HIE
    - Some planning projects are still on hold due to COVID-19 Emergency Response effort, looking to pick them back up
    - COVID-19 Emergency Response contracting has been moving forward
  - Alex Pettit - Identity Resolution
    - Identity is a critical starting point for all of our other work involving patient-specific and provider-specific information sharing and service provision
    - Will be leveraging MyColorado, electronic identification for drivers licenses
    - Identification across multiple systems to enable interoperability
      - Striking a balance between protecting information and using the information to provide services
  - Wes Williams - Consent Management
    - Good blend of support and making significant progress in pilot areas
    - Need more policy participation
  - Michelle Mills - Rural Connectivity
    - Phase 1 starting Oct 1st, delayed by COVID-19
    - Availability and Accessibility to rural providers
  - Morgan Honea - Data Governance and Sharing
    - Paused for COVID-19 Emergency Response
    - Decision item associated with JAI coming soon
- Action Items
  - Need eHealth Commissioner sponsors for Public Health COVID response and PDMP Integrations and Plans Work Groups

New Business

Advancing Health Information Exchange (HIE) in Colorado
- Speakers:
  - Carrie Paykoc, Director of OeHI
- Focus on "Meat and Potatoes of HIE" that data flows
- Two HIEs support two very different communities, CORHIO for the Denver Metro area and Eastern Plains and QHN for the Western Slope, addressing the local needs of those communities
- Driven to promote interoperability between providers, patients, and policymakers in order to improve the quality, availability, and accessibility of care
- Phase 1 projects are moving forward, encouraging data sharing between CORHIO, QHN, providers, and the State
- 85% of eHealth Commissioners agreed with Phase 2 of Advancing HIE direction with the following comments:
  - Need Phase 2 initiatives focused on behavioral and mental health
  - Need uniformity in data between CORHIO & QHN (one data stream)
    - Integrated Provider Directory and Master Patient Index
  - Concerns around funding setup costs but not funding operating costs
    - Providers are burdened with covering on-going costs
    - On-going conversations with Health Plan operators to support sustainability going forward
    - Need to tie funding back to outcome-based metrics
    - Establishing a Taskforce for Investigating the Long Term Sustainability of HIEs
      - Approved unanimously by eHealth Commissioners

COVID Emergency Funding Contracting Update and Discussion
- Speakers:
  - Joel Dalzell, Director of Health Information Office, HCPF
  - Carrie Paykoc, Director of OeHI
- $8.8MM request submitted to CMS in May and was approved
  - $5MM has been contracted and should be available by EOB 6/12
  - All funds will hopefully be allocated by next eHealth Commission meeting

Public Comment

- Public comment period was offered. There was no public comment.

Closing Remarks

- Recap Action Items
    - Commissioners for chairs of WGs that need them
    - Taskforce for Investigating the Long Term Sustainability of HIEs
- July Agenda
    - Moved to July 29
    - Focused on WIGs
- Adjourn - Michelle Mills, Chair - 1:34 pm