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**HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE
COORDINATING COMMITTEE
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State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council**

MISSION – PURPOSE – RESPONSIBILITIES

MISSION

To support the utilization of electronic health records and the expansion of the secure exchange of electronic health information among health care organizations, patients and providers in Florida.

PURPOSE

The Health Information Exchange Coordinating Committee (Committee) shall advise and support the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) in efforts to implement health information exchange services and promote interoperability among health care organizations. The Committee functions as an issue-oriented technical workgroup of the State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council (Advisory Council).

RESPONSIBILITIES

- I. The Committee will advise the Agency in the development and implementation of secure health information exchange services to support exchange among a varied range of health care providers.
- II. The Committee shall assist and advise the Agency as it develops and implements specific programs or strategies that address:
 - a. The creation, development, and expansion of electronic health information exchange;
 - b. The adoption of electronic health record systems by health care providers including education programs and pilot projects to facilitate adoption;
 - c. Consumer outreach and education regarding the benefits of electronic health information exchange;
 - d. Consumer rights and protections, including provisions for patient authorization of health information exchange, and other privacy and security recommendations issued by the Committee;
 - e. Health information exchange sustainability and business models;
 - f. Opportunities to reduce infrastructure and operating costs of health information networks through coordinated development;



- g. Initiatives to encourage Medicaid providers to adopt electronic medical records systems and participate in health information exchanges; and
 - h. The integration of Florida Medicaid, state health data, and county health data through electronic health information exchange.
- III. The Committee will assist the Agency in establishing and monitoring goals and metrics for health information exchange initiatives, electronic health record adoption, ePrescribing efforts, and other applicable health information technology initiatives.
- IV. If applicable, the Committee will consult with the Agency in the administration of grants programs and/or the utilization and distribution of funding from the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), to support health information exchange activities related to the adoption and meaningful use of electronic health records by Medicaid Providers.
- V. The Committee shall advise the Agency regarding developments in health information technology and national standards related to the security of electronic health information exchange.
- VI. The Committee shall coordinate its activities with the Legal Working Group in order to make recommendations for policies and procedures to protect patient privacy in electronic health information exchange including the development of uniform participation agreements for health information exchange.
- VII. The Committee shall promote the adoption of electronic prescribing in Florida and the integration of medication history records in health information exchange.
- VIII. The Committee shall support Agency efforts to spread awareness and increase understanding about health information technology initiatives in Florida.
- IX. The Committee shall assess opportunities to increase consumer access to the consumer's health records and incorporate such policies into the grants program or other initiatives.
- X. The Committee will work in coordination with state and national health information technology organizations.