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Immunization Information Systems for a New Era

Joint Development & Implementation Advisory Workgroup

August 4, 2017
1:00 – 2:00pm ET

Welcome
Bill Brand, PHII, Co-Chair

Roll Call: Bill Brand (PHII), Judy Merritt (STC), Gary Wheeler (DXC), Steve Murchie (Envision), Aaron Bieringer (MN), Noam Arzt (HLN),

AIRA Staff: Maureen Neary, Amanda Branham

Absent: Michael Flynn (NYS), Belinda Baker (WA), Warren Williams (CDC), Brittany Ersery (KS), Gerri Yett (Ex-Officio), Mandy Harris (Nevada), Therese Hoyle (MI),

The July minutes were approved as presented.

Smarty Streets Roll-Out
Maureen Neary, AIRA

- 8 IIS have signed Partner Agreements.
  - These IIS are: Alaska, Washington State, Alabama, Puerto Rico, California, Indiana, Louisiana, and Rhode Island.
- An Inaugural JDI User Group update was given.
  - This user group is comprised of anyone from participant sites who works with SmartyStreets and wants to be on the call.
  - The purpose of the user group is to assist participant sites to reach full implementation and provide a platform for peer-to-peer communication and troubleshooting.
  - The user group will be facilitated by Josh Hall (MI) and Steve Murchie (Envision) and held approximately every 2 weeks.
  - The user group will be evaluated after 3 months and 6 months.
  - The inaugural meeting will be held on August 29th.
- The next edition of *SnapShots* will feature a profile of Josh Hall and the address cleansing process he and his team created in Michigan.
- Moving forward, there will be continued communication to the community about SmartyStreets via multiple platforms.
- The goal is to have another 7 partners by October 1st and another 9 partners by the end of December.
- There is still a lot of interest in using SmartyStreets and uptake is to be expected.

Discussion: Refined Project Summaries
Bill Brand, PHII, Co-chair

- The DQA Tool project summary can be found [here](#).
  - This is an open source tool initially developed by Nathan Bunker to manage the data quality of HL7 interoperability.
  - The tool can look at both real-time or batch incoming messages to quickly measure the data quality regardless of the platform an IIS is using.
  - In addition to implementation, a large part of this project concerns the governance, maintenance and evaluation of the tool.
    - A subgroup will be created if this project is selected.
  - There is concern that IIS implementers need to have a say in the project selection since it is affecting them directly.
- The Patient Matching project summary can be found [here](#).

- o This project is an evaluation of a variety of third-party tools.
    - ▪ The goal of this project is to evaluate what each tool does and how it can be of use to IIS.
        - • Leveraging existing tools may benefit this project.
    - ▪ A subgroup will be created if this project is selected.
  - o This project has gone from medium to high urgency.
  - o This project could be a part of a much larger strategy for other projects to adopt. For instance, the WIR community is interested in looking at duplication that occurs in the WIR application.
  - o There is concern that deduplication may not require a single tool but multiple strategies. Wording may need to be revised in the project summary to accurately reflect this.
- • Comments about the voting process:
  - o <u>Voting</u> for the advisory group will be available until Friday, August 11th.
  - o There is a concern that the JDI group might not best represent the community and as such should not select the next project.
  - o As non-IIS, should vendors vote?
  - o It was suggested that voting be expanded to include the AIRA Board.
  - o There is concern that involving more people on the project selection process will delay the project.
  - o Weighting votes can be a method revisited at a later time.
  - o ❑ **Action Item:** Bill Brand and Maureen Neary will discuss with Mary Beth Kurilo whether a broader vote is needed for the selection of the next JDI project.

Wrap Up

Bill Brand, PHII, Co-Chair

Belinda Baker is no longer participating in the workgroup.

Bill Brand thanked everyone for their participation and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: September 1st at 1pm ET