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Ad-Hoc Joint Development & Implementation (JDI) Advisory Workgroup
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1:00 – 2:00pm ET

Welcome Bill Brand, PHII, Co-Chair	**Roll Call:** Mandy Harris (NV), Bill Brand (PHII), Therese Hoyle (MI), Gerri Yett (Ex-Officio), Michael Flynn (NYS), Warren Williams (CDC), Therese Hoyle (MI), Aaron Bieringer (MN), Judy Merritt (STC), Kevin Snow (Envision), and Steve Murchie (Envision) **AIRA Staff:** Mary Beth Kurilo, Maureen Neary, and Amanda Branham **Absent:** Brittany Ersery (KS), Noam Arzt (HLN), and Gary Wheeler (DXC) The May minutes were approved after a correction was made regarding the focus of the Standardizing Deduplication project summary.

Continued Discussion - JDI Process, Next Steps
Bill Brand, PHII
Michael Flynn, NYS
Mary Beth Kurilo, AIRA
	• At the May 5th meeting, the workgroup reviewed the project summaries for the Data Quality Assurance Tool: Ongoing Governance and Support and Standardizing Deduplication.
	• Mary Beth provided an overview of the project summary for **Interjurisdictional Exchange**.
	   o This project would be an effort to get the advisory workgroup's input and resources on the guidance document that will be developed for interjurisdictional exchange.
	   o The implementation piece would be a voluntary effort and would need to fit in with everything else IIS have to prioritize, including funded projects and deliverables.
	   o JPHIT, along with other partners, is working on an interjurisdictional exchange project for public health data, which would allow for potential synergy or could also delay or complicate the advisory workgroup's project.
	        ▪ The group is first working on a white paper that may become the precursor to development of a uniform or model law to support interjurisdictional exchange.
	        ▪ ❏ **Action Item:** This information will be added to the project summary.
	• Workgroup discussion points:
	   o There would be some overlap and need for coordination with the concurrent projects in areas such as use cases when discussing the data being exchanged and triggers.
	        ▪ The guidance document would provide a road map for everything going on related to interjurisdictional exchange.
	   o The role of this group could be to make a recommendation to the AIRA Board as something to move forward with and focus the workgroup's energy on something that is more innovative.
	   o What does this group want to focus on as a representative group across the IIS and IIS vendor community?
	        ▪ In the case of the address cleansing project, the workgroup served as part advisory and part implementation.
	        ▪ This is a complicated area and there needs to be an overriding national strategy that guides these efforts before it makes it confusing for the community.
	            • At some point, this may need to be a discussion that happens with the AIRA Board.

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- - The homegrown systems could benefit from this guidance by learning from implementers.
    - There has been a lot of work done by different organizations but there is not yet an overarching document that pulls them together.
    - The proposal focuses primarily on developing the guidance for those who are not currently involved in any jurisdictional exchange, so that they have some sense of what actions need to take place.
    - An evaluation of the ONC project as a viable and sustainable national option would be a good next step.
- Mary Beth provided an overview on the **Data Entry Service** project summary.
- Workgroup discussion points:
  - Having some uniform entry form and set of elements would make a lot of sense.
  - An important component of this potential project is how to fund this so that it does not replace/supplant current user-interface data entry by providers.
    - This will require diligent scoping and will roll into the communication and messaging of the service.
  - The project could also consider some of the legacy systems that do not have an HL7 interface – these data could be put into a file so that the data could be transformed into something that could be entered into the IIS as part of the service.
    - A legacy upload process.
    - This would help with a more uniform approach to how the data gets formatted.
  - The project summary suggests two things: a centralized solution and a service (as in the people who would actually enter the data).
- Mary Beth explained that the information provided for the project summaries are preliminary, and that once a project is selected, they'll need more work and fleshing out.
  - The fleshing out of the chosen topic would happen on the AIRA side and would be brought back to the group.
- **Decision made:** The workgroup agreed that there is enough information to begin scoring the potential projects.
- ☐ **Action Items:**
  - AIRA will add the JHPIT project to the Interjurisdictional Exchange project summary and will include the proposal for reformatting legacy electronic files for the Data Entry Service project.
  - AIRA will send out all 4 of the project summaries along with a scorecard.
    - The completed scorecards are due on **May 31st**.
  - At the June 2nd meeting, AIRA will present the aggregate information and discuss next steps.

Wrap Up Michael Flynn, NYS, Co-Chair	- Michael Flynn thanked everyone for their participation and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: June 2nd at 1pm ET