



TEXAS HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORITY

THSA Technical Architecture Task Force

Meeting Minutes

Date: 06/28/2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. CST

In Attendance:

Task Force Members

Julie Adams Seton – Ascension Health	Y	Carl Ahmed CA (Carl Ahmed) Associates	Y	James Albin St. Luke’s Episcopal Health System	N
Ginger Alford Trinity Valley School	Y	Joel Bandy UT Health – University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	N	Norman (Skip) Best Covisint	N
Nimisha Bhakta DSHS	N	Nick Bonvino Northside B Consulting	N	Robert Bremer Accenture	Y
Cary Brown WellMed Medical Management	N	Andrea Cobb Texas Medical Association	Y	Grady Cason Cerner Corp.	Y
Bob Collier HASA	N	Rex Conaster HCA	Y	John Delaney Texas Tech University Health Science Center	N
Bradley Eilers Accenture	Y	Joshua Escalante DSHS	N	Nancy Fisher Texas Strategy Group	Y
Robert Flasch Accenture	Y	Larry Flournoy Texas A&M University	Y	John Galloway Sierra Systems, Inc.	Y
Shana Gooch Delisi Communications	Y	Alexandra Gorman Montgomery Co. Hospital District	Y	Chris Guerrero DSHS	Y
Brian Hall IBM	Y	Eric Heflin Medicity	Y	Michael Hieber Cisco	N
Ken Hughes Chart Relay	Y	Jonathan Ishee Northwest Diagnostic Clinic & Access Health Providers	Y	Velma Jackson SSR, Inc.	N
Steven Kotyk QuandraMed	Y	Patrick Maloney FirstNet Exchange	N	Bert Mikosh Hill Country Memorial Hospital	N
Robert Naismith (self) Partner in Corpus Christi Urology Group, PLLC	Y	Jeff Nordyke TMF Health Quality Institute	N	Michael Parks DSHS	N
Ken Pool OZ Systems	Y	Maurice Samuels Integrated Care Collaboration	Y	Camille Schaefer ICA	N
Telly Shackelford Sandlot, LLC	Y	Carole Tamayo Integrated Care Collaboration	Y	Ernest Valle HHSC	N
Heather Vasek Delisi Communications	Y	Jack Wankowski Dell	N	Jonathan Willcourt Accenture	N
John Winters Health One	Y	Kale Woods Tenet Healthcare	N		

<i>Others Attending</i>					
Jocelyn Dabeau THSA	Y	Mirsa Douglass DSHS	Y	Tony Gilman THSA	Y
Amy Goring Accenture	Y	Helen Haman Accenture	Y	Kyle Janak Accenture	Y
John Kronick Accenture	Y	Lillian Prince THSA	Y	Steve Roddy THSA	Y
Yvonne Sanchez HHSC	Y	Clark Snodgrass Accenture	Y	Merila Walker HHSC	Y

Agenda Items

#	Item Name	Item Owner	Time Allotment
1	Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements	Lillian Prince	2:00–2:03 p.m.
<p>Presenter: Lillian Prince, Associate Director, Operations & Technology, Texas Health Services Authority (THSA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Prince welcomed Task Force members and other participants to the call and advised that the task force meetings are open to the public and that the agenda, presentation materials, and minutes of this meeting have or will be posted to the THSA’s public website. She informed participants that Accenture would be presenting its draft version of the Enterprise Architecture Blueprint (EAB) and EAB Lifecycle Management Plan that the document had been posted on the THSA web site. Mr. Gilman, THSA CEO, asked if any members had been unable to record their attendance through the Wiki site’s Attendance Tracker? A member indicated that he was traveling, and his attendance was noted. 			
2	Overview and Discussion of Draft Enterprise Architectural Blueprint (EAB) and EAB Lifecycle Management Plan	Lillian Prince	2:03 – 3:10 p.m.
<p>Presenter: Lillian Prince; Amy Goring, Enterprise Architect, Accenture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Prince introduced Amy Goring of Accenture to review the draft EAB and EAB Lifecycle Management Plan with Task Force members. Ms. Goring noted that in the Texas model each HIE would provide and manage an EMPI service at the regional or local level, and that the method being considered for statewide health exchange patient matching is to use a specific set of patient identifiers rather than a single unique patient identifier and to possibly provide a patient matching service in a statewide services layer. One member expressed the view that most providers are not qualified to provide their own certificate services or would want to, and suggested the need to be proactive about providing certificate services rather than leaving it to contracting with partners. He expressed concern that, given a large number of existing certificate authorities, a lack of defined standards or recommendations could make the process 			

unmanageable. Ms. Goring noted that, at the federal level, definitions of those standards is several months away from being finalized. Another participant indicated a belief that, while there may be differing criteria, a de facto set of standards will ultimately emerge that participants will adhere to. Mr. Gilman thanked members for their input and indicated that those concerns would inform the ongoing decision-making regarding Texas' approach.

- Additional discussion took place regarding epidemiological data and whether HIEs would be able to exchange immunization data, and specifically if ImmTrac (the Texas immunization registry) would provide information to HIEs? Ms. Goring informed members that this question would be noted for additional consideration.
- Ms. Goring began review of use cases relating to the EAB, and a member asked how emergency services would fit into a 'transition of care' use case? Ms. Goring responded that it could involve querying for a patient summary. Another member noted that issues regarding emergency access had been raised previously and recommended further consideration.
- Discussion regarding use cases and public health was initiated, and Mr. Gilman asked members if it would be useful to hold an additional call to discuss the use cases in more detail? Members agreed that holding an additional call would be beneficial, and Mr. Gilman indicated that such a meeting would likely be scheduled within the next two weeks. Ms. Prince asked if any members of the task force had further questions or comments at this time? None were expressed.

3	Future Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items	Lillian Prince	3:10 – 3:15 p.m.
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- Ms. Prince reviewed the following future meeting schedule for the Technical Architecture Task Force:
 - Tuesday, July 12 (Tentative)
 - Tuesday, July 26
 - Tuesday, August 30
 - Tuesday, October 4
 - Tuesday, November 1
 - Tuesday, November 29
- She also noted that additional meetings were likely to be scheduled for this task force in the future. She reminded Task Force members about the upcoming additional meeting, tentatively on Tuesday, July 12, 2011 from 2 – 3 p.m.

4	Other Items	Lillian Prince	3:15–3:19 p.m.
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- Ms. Prince asked if there were any other items anyone would like to discuss? No additional items were identified.

5	Adjournment	Lillian Prince	3:20 p.m.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Prince announced that the meeting was adjourned.			