

Healthcare Database Advisory Committee  
Meeting #4 October 14' 2014 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
UNMC – Maurer College of Public Health, Room 3009  
519 S 40<sup>th</sup> Plaza  
Omaha, NE 68198

I. **Call to Order** – Bart F. Karlson, Chairperson

- Meeting called to order at 12:11

II. **Roll Call**

In attendance: Bart Karlson- ConAgra , Lee Handke – BCBS, David Stitzel – Aetna, Deborah Bass – Health Information Exchange Representative, Anne Lucille O’Keefe – Public Health Dept Douglas County, Carol Trocinski – UHC, Li Wu Chen PhD – Academia representative, Sherry Wupper – Consumer Advocate representative, Russell Gronewold – Bryan Health, Bruce Ramage – Director, Nebraska Dept of Insurance

Not in attendance: Russell Ebke, MD – Physician representative, Lori Crowther- Mueller Recreational Products, Jeannette Wojtalewicz - CHI Network, Joseph Acierno - Chief Medical Officer DHHS, Ruth Vineyard, Deputy Director of the Division of Medicaid and Long-term Care

III. **Approval of Minutes**

- Approval of Minutes from 6/5/14
  - Motion to approve
  - Seconded
  - Minutes passed
- Approval of Minutes from 9/4/14
  - Motion to approve
  - Seconded
  - Minutes passed

IV. **Opening remarks**

Bart Karlson – Thanks the subcommittee for their hard work on the report.

V. **Discussion**

- Subcommittee report
  - Committee recommends issuing RFI to further explore HCDAC
  - Deborah Bass: Can you explain the RFI (Request for Information) process more?

- Director Ramge: This is handled through the state
- Bart Karlson – Great start to report. Suggests that each member make their recommended changes and send to J.P. Sabby to have hard copy done for final November meeting
- Option #2 in subcommittee report
  - Bart Karlson - Option 3 is the committee recommendation, so should #2 be removed?
  - Suggested wording “The committee is unable to make a recommendation until a further feasibility study has been completed”
- Lee Handke: Would it help to outline the rationale of the committee more?
  - Director Ramge: We could come up with a list of reasons behind our actions
    - For example, most of the databases haven’t proved value
    - Most databases have start/stops and we need to make sure we’re giving value to the residents of the state
- Bart Karlson: Should we get another subcommittee together?
  - Agreed, Russell Gronewold and Deborah Bass offered to join subcommittee if more members are needed
- JP Sabby: Reminder to look committee to look at Appendix A of report to review the law about what the committee is required to do
- Bart Karlson: Please have comments in to JP Sabby by mid next week, subcommittee to meet on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

## **VI. Video Conference with Treo/3M**

- Tracey Campbell, Director of APCD in Colorado on conference call
- Scott McCullough, Senior Director of 3M, present at meeting
  - Tracey and Scott walked through powerpoint and discussed Colorado’s APCD experience. Document available online [here](#)
- Discussion:
  - Lee Handke: Based on activity in states, will Nebraska get responses to RFI?
    - Scott McCullough: Outlook is high that there will be several responses received
  - How is the Colorado APCD sustainable?
    - Tracey Campbell: Public state entities provided multi-million, multi-year grants to fund the APCD. They are self-sustainable in 2016.
  - Bart Karlson – Were there difficulties in getting collaboration?
    - Tracey Campbell: Wasn’t an issue because there was a state mandate.

- Li-Wu Chen: Who are the biggest users of the data?
  - Tracey Campbell: In the first two years, the largest users are researchers and non-profits
    - 50% non-profit, 20% state organization, 14% academic
- Sherry Wupper: I don't know how much, as a consumer, I would use a system like this.
  - Russell Gronewold: An APCD needs to be broader than just consumer price shopping
  - Bruce Range: This might be helpful to have a brief explanation in the report
- Committee thanked Tracey Campbell and Scott McCullough for their time
- Next meeting is at 1:00pm on 11/5/14.
  - Lee Handke will check on availability of meeting room at BCBS in Omaha
- Bart Karlson: Reminder to get all comments to JP Sabby by next week

**VII. Public Comment**

- Kevin Conway – Nebraska Hospital Association
  - Colorado isn't the only model out there. Wisconsin also has one to look at. There are several pieces already available in Nebraska
    - Master Patient Index
    - Master Provider Index
    - Health tracking system by UNMC
  - There are various pieces that could be pulled together quickly

**VIII. Adjourn**

3:52 pm

Recorder: Cari Clauss, Federal Aid Administrator Nebraska Department of Insurance