



# Annual Report Workgroup Meeting

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Health Information Technology Advisory Committee

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# Meeting Agenda

- Opening Remarks and Meeting Schedules
- Discussion of Potential Topics for HITAC Annual Report for FY20
- Public Comment
- Next Steps and Adjourn



## Meeting Schedule for Workgroup

Month	Deliverables to Review
May 20, 2020	Develop list of topics for FY20 Annual Report
June 4, 2020	Develop list of topics for FY20 Annual Report
July 22, 2020	Develop list of topics for FY20 Annual Report
August 6, 2020	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY20 Annual Report
September 2020	Develop crosswalk of topics for FY20 Annual Report
October 2020	Develop outline for FY20 Annual Report
November 2020	Develop draft FY20 Annual Report
December 2020	Develop draft FY20 Annual Report for HITAC review
January-February 2021	Update draft FY20 Annual Report for HITAC approval
February-March 2021	Ready FY20 Annual Report for transmittal

## Meeting Schedule for Full Committee

Meeting Date	Action Items/Deliverables
June 17, 2020	Update on status of FY20 Annual Report development
September 9, 2020	Update on status of FY20 Annual Report development
October 21, 2020	Update on status of FY20 Annual Report development
November 10, 2020	Update on status of FY20 Annual Report development
January 2021	Review draft FY20 Annual Report
February 2021	Approve final FY20 Annual Report



# Discussion of Potential Topics for HITAC Annual Report for FY20





# Potential Topics for HITAC Annual Report for FY20

- Please refer to draft list of potential topics for the annual report for FY20
- Sections to discuss:
  1. Additional HITAC Member Comments for Consideration for FY20 Annual Report on p.4
    - Complete discussion of two remaining items about the Health IT Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic
  2. FY19 Annual Report Topics to Carry Over to FY20 Annual Report on pp. 4-5
  3. Other Potential Topics for Consideration for FY20 Annual Report on pp. 5-6
  4. HITAC Member Comments for Consideration for FY20 Annual Report on p. 2
    - Complete discussion of outstanding items (see following three slides)

# Potential Topics for HITAC Annual Report for FY20

- Follow-up on HITAC member comments previously discussed by workgroup
  1. Improving information exchange for research using health data captured in EHRs
    - Background:
      - A large volume of electronic health data has been collected but it has been difficult to use the data for research purposes
    - Challenges:
      - Data quality and consistency
      - Limited governance structures and policies allowing access to the data
      - Variety of privacy and security issues across organizations and states
      - Inconsistent implementations across technical architecture
      - Varying needs of individuals and organizations that create and use data
      - Need for clarification of consent processes for patients and for received data



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- Follow-up on HITAC member comments previously discussed by workgroup (cont.)
  2. Organ transplants use case
    - Background:
      - The process of harvesting and transplanting organs is time sensitive and many processes in the organ donation and transplant cycle are completed manually by hospital staff
      - Organ procurement organizations (OPOs) have difficulty accessing donor medical records, which are necessary for assessment, evaluation, and management of potential donor organs
    - Challenges:
      - Need for streamlined communication between hospitals and OPOs using EHRs and increased automation
      - Lack of standards for EHR capabilities for transplants and data transfer among the transplant ecosystem
      - Inconsistent adoption by transplant hospitals of existing APIs to assist with organ transplant data exchange





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- Follow-up on HITAC member comments previously discussed by workgroup (cont.)
  3. Ensuring patient access and engagement in data exchange, maybe using TEFCA
    - Background:
      - Consumer-mediated exchange is emerging as a viable pathway for sharing data
      - Patients continue to face barriers in accessing and sharing their health information using technology
    - Challenges:
      - Need to consider where patient access fits into the evolving TEFCA initiative
        - The Common Agreement and QHIN Technical Framework could emphasize how the Individual Access Service Exchange Purpose supports patient access and engagement in data exchange
        - QHINs could be established that focus on supporting patients
      - Need to address patients' health disparities that impact exchange of their health information

# Potential Topics for HITAC Annual Report for FY20

- Next steps
  - Review draft crosswalk of topics with gaps, opportunities, and recommended activities across the target areas at Annual Report Workgroup meeting on August 6, 2020
  - Present draft crosswalk for discussion at HITAC meeting on September 9, 2020

# Next Steps



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# Meeting Adjourned