



HITAC Updates and 2026 Work Plan

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2026 HITAC Meeting Schedule

- 2026 HITAC meeting scheduled published in Federal Register on January 21, 2026:
 - **February 19, 2026**, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m./Eastern Time
 - **May 7, 2026**, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m./Eastern Time
 - **September 24, 2026**, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m./Eastern Time
 - **November 5, 2026**, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m./Eastern Time
- NOTE: the requirement to announce FACA meetings in the Federal Register was reduced to at least 7 days prior to meeting date (previously was at least 15 days).

Designated Federal Officer (DFO) Transition

- Current HITAC DFO will transition duties to Tara Porter, effective after conclusion of February 19th HITAC meeting

Call for HITAC Co-Chairs

- Seeking two HITAC co-chairs
- ASTP/NC will select two co-chairs
- HITAC members selected as co-chairs will serve in this role for the remainder of their appointment, not to exceed 3 years
- Any HITAC member interested in serving as a co-chair should submit their name to Tara Porter (Tara.Porter@hhs.gov) by **February 27, 2026**



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Planned HITAC Activities for 2026

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
HITAC Meeting Dates									Present on Draft Annual Report		Final Vote on Annual Report	
HITAC Annual Report Workgroup												
Adopted Standards Task Force												

Annual Report Workgroup Charge

Overarching Charge:

The workgroup will inform, contribute to, and review draft and final versions of the HITAC Annual Report to be submitted to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and to Congress each fiscal year. As part of that report, the workgroup will help track ongoing HITAC progress.

Specific Charge:

Provide specific feedback on the content of the report as required by the 21st Century Cures Act including:

- Analysis of HITAC progress related to the priority target areas outlined in Cures
- Assessment of health IT infrastructure and advancements in the priority target areas
- Analysis of existing gaps in policies and resources for the priority target areas
- Ideas for potential HITAC activities to address the identified gaps

Annual Report Workgroup Work Plan

Run length: March – November

- **Meeting duration:** 1.5 hours each
- **Frequency:** Twice per month
- **Full Committee vote:** November 2026 HITAC Meeting

Any HITAC member that is interested in joining the Annual Report Workgroup, please email Tara.Porter@hhs.gov by **COB Friday, March 6, 2026**.

Health Information Technology Advisory Committee Priority Target Areas in the Cures Act



Interoperability



Privacy and Security



Patient Access to Information



Discussion