"Our mission as the Utah Digital Health Service Commission is to facilitate and promote the adoption of the secure, effective and efficient exchange of electronic health data and services, as a means to reduce costs, enhance quality, increase access, and improve medical and public health services."

Digital Health Service Commission 2016-2018 Planning Worksheet

In conjunction with our mission, the following is a proposed focus and format for the Digital Health Service Commission for 2016-2018.

Objectives:

1. Be a catalyst for putting consistency in patient data for the effective and efficient exchange of electronic health data and services. (Interoperability and transparency.)
2. Expand the circle of participants with those who can influence change
3. Integrate efforts with the state HIT Plan and legislative activities.
4. Remember the value of the individual.

Activities:

1. Educate the commissioners and attendees at our meetings on the unique data aspects of each healthcare "discipline"
2. Identify barriers that keep the "disciple" from being fully interoperable and transparent.
3. Assess what others are doing to overcome the barriers.
4. Determine what the commission can do to facilitate the solutions.
5. Expand the circle of those who participate with us. Promote partnering with them to solve the problems.
6. Solicit actions from decision makers to make changes happen.
7. Create a communications channel for lively discussion.

Short list of "Disciplines":

Claims	Telemedicine
Clinical	Consumer Health
Pharmacy	Emergency Medicine
Labs	VA & Native Americans
Exchanges	Research
Behavioral Health	Security and Privacy
Community Health	Assisted Living/Nursing Homes
Hospitals	

Discipline Presentations

As the Digital Health Service Commission for 2016-2018, we would like to focus on being a catalyst of change for facilitating and promoting the adoption of the secure, effective and efficient exchange of electronic health data and services.

To do this, it is first important for the commissioners to understand the many data aspects and elements within each of the healthcare "disciplines". With this information we hope to identify and act on ways that we can facilitate and promote positive changes and enhancements.

The following are talking points to be covered in a presentation to the commission:

1. A brief overview of the "discipline" and how it relates to patients and providers.
2. What are the rules, codes, standards, and practices for the use of data in the discipline?
3. Who makes the rules and who enforces them? How? Who finances them?
4. How is technology used?
5. What are the professional associations and government entities in this discipline?
6. What is effective and efficient in the current exchange of data and what positive impact does this have on patients and providers?
7. What is not effective and efficient in the current exchange of data and what negative impact does this have on patients and providers?
8. What changes or enhancements need to be made to correct the barriers to make data transparent and interoperable?
9. What amount of time would it take to make the changes?
10. How will vendors respond? How should they be involved in making the changes?
11. What stakeholders and decision makers can we involve to help facilitate the needed changes?
12. How can the commission facilitate and promote making the necessary changes?
13. Other

Presentation guidelines and suggestions:

1. Allow 30 minutes for the presentation and 10 minutes for questions.
2. Involve others in putting together the presentation, particularly students and young people.
3. Invite others to the presentation who might be influential in helping to make the changes or who might provide valuable input now and in the future.
4. Provide the presentation in a format that can be shared with others.
5.

Thank you!