



Meeting Notes

Health Information Technology Advisory Committee Conditions and Maintenance of Certification Requirements Task Force March 29, 2019, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET Virtual

The March 29, 2019, meeting of the Conditions and Maintenance of Certification Requirements Task Force (CMCTF) of the Health IT Advisory Committee (HITAC) was called to order at 4:00 p.m. ET by Cassandra Hadley, Designated Federal Officer, Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC).

Cassandra Hadley conducted roll call.

Roll Call

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Raj Ratwani, Co-Chair, MedStar Health
Denise Webb, Co-Chair, Individual
Kensaku Kawamoto, Member, University of Utah Health
John Travis, Member, Cerner

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Leslie Lenert, Member, Medical University of South Carolina
Carolyn Petersen, Member, Individual
Sasha TerMaat, Member, Epic

ONC STAFF

Cassandra Hadley, Designated Federal Officer
Kate Tipping, ONC Conditions of Maintenance of Certification Requirements Task Force Lead
Lauren Wu, ONC SME

Cassandra Hadley turned the meeting over to Denise Webb, co-chair to review the charge.

Denise Webb asked Kate Tipping to review the charge.

Review of Charge

Kate Tipping, ONC, reviewed the charge.

- **Overarching Charge:** Provide recommendations on the “application programming interface (API),” “real world testing,” and “attestations” conditions and maintenance of certification requirements; updates to most 2015 Edition health IT certification criteria; changes to the ONC Health IT Certification Program; and deregulatory actions.
- **Specific Charge:** Provide recommendations on the following:



- “API,” “real world testing,” and “attestations” conditions and maintenance of certification requirements
- Updates to the 2015 Edition certification criteria: “Standardized API for patient and population services,” “electronic health information export,” “electronic prescribing,” “clinical quality measures – export,” and privacy and security-related attestation criteria (“encrypt authentication credentials” and “multi-factor authentication”)
- Modifications to the ONC Health IT Certification Program (Program)
- Deregulatory actions related to certification criteria and Program requirements

Discussion of Recommendations

Kate Tipping noted that she would check on the answer around timing for e-prescribing for the next call on Wednesday, April 3.

Denise Webb shared with Ken Kawamoto that his recommendation to not name Argonaut was integrated, but the group will need to follow-up with Sasha TerMaat for agreement.

Ken Kawamoto noted that he would like to discuss the following recommendation that he entered in the Google document.

- Recommendation XX: ONC should provide formal guidance on compliance with relevant privacy and security regulations such as HIPAA of current uses of FHIR APIs, such as in SMART on FHIR applications or CDS Hooks services (e.g., sending of full patient demographic details in all cases, the use of broadly-scoped data access tokens).

Denise Webb followed up regarding the groups decision to support fast healthcare interoperability resource (FHIR) Release 4.

- **Ken Kawamoto** agreed, but felt that the version should be the most recent stable release accepted (e.g. it could end up being 4.2.1)
- **Denise Webb** suggested a recommendation in the preamble to specify that it is broadly release 4 (wherever it lands).

Denise Webb asked Kate Tipping to send out homework to the group asking them to review the discussion items for the next meeting:

- Recommendation 17 – FHIR Release 4
- Timing for e-prescribing (Kate Tipping will check for the next meeting)
- Recommendation 22
- Argonaut recommendation (currently doesn’t have a number)
- Ken Kawamoto’s recommendation noted above around privacy and security.

Kate Tipping shared that the in-person meeting on April 10 could be an opportunity for the group to review their recommendations and have a vote for approval. If not, there will be a virtual meeting on April 25.



Denise Webb asked Kate Tipping to start creating the letter of transmittal so that the group will be ready to review in the Google document. This group is in good shape to conclude the majority of the work and be prepared for the meeting on April 10.

Cassandra Hadley opened the lines for public comment.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Steps and Adjourn

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3.

Cassandra Hadley adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m. ET.