

**IKK Registry Workgroup Teleconference
DRAFT Minutes
June 13, 2007**

The teleconference commenced at 9:18am CDT.

We started the meeting by revisiting the need/desirability for generating new Action Items focused on using the data in the registry. To provide context for this discussion, KDHE staff clarified the interrelationships of the various components of the 'registry' (e.g., HL7 (connection) vs. KIPHS, etc. (interface) vs. WebIZ (database)); KDHE is developing and will distribute a graphic description of these interrelationships. In this context, we discussed the nature and usage of current/future report-generating features built into the various registry interfaces. In addition, we discussed other possible related initiatives, such as promoting the use of registry data for reminder/recall systems; in this latter regard, KDHE told the group that they are currently working to resolve some outstanding problems/issues, but ultimately this particular use of data should ideally be undertaken at the provider level. In order to further these discussions, Kathy Kroupa volunteered to draft and distribute to the Workgroup members proposed Action Items that address uses of immunization registry data, particularly with regard to designing and promoting the use of report-generating capabilities.

The Workgroup also continued discussing how (and who should take the lead) to expand the draft Action Items that have been suggested over the past several meetings. In this regard, although the Workgroup identified the involvement of KDHE, as primary day-to-day manager of registry-related activities, as critical to the development of all Action Items, we also discussed the need to share this workload.

In this spirit, John Rule offered to work on expanding the first 3 draft Action Items that deal with the development of an overall implementation strategy and long-term management plan; in doing so, he will draw upon the marketing plan and other documents that KDHE already has in place. John will flesh out these Action Items and distribute them in the next week or so for review/discussion at our next meeting.

Chris Steege (who was not able to participate in today's meeting) has already offered to take the lead in expanding the next 3 draft Action Items focused on identifying and reducing/eliminating barriers for private providers' participation in the registry and, more generally, in providing immunization services; to this end, Chris has/will send out surveys to selected providers. We are hopeful that Chris will be able to share what she's learned and lead us in a review/discussion of these Action Items at our next (or a near future) meeting.

As for the remainder of the draft Action Items, we need to identify someone to take the lead in developing them and to take responsibility to complete the specific Action Items; these include:

- Conduct a survey/census of providers' practice-management systems currently in use in Kansas. (KDHE is currently working on this issue, and John Rule has offered to assist in expanding the draft Action Item.)
- Stimulate demand for practice-management systems with WebIZ-compatible features. (Although this has not been discussed, it may be appropriate for Chris Steege to take the lead in expanding this draft Action Item.)
- Develop and implement training approaches for providers on managing and using WebIZ interfaces; during today's discussion, several specific components of this Action Item were suggested and discussed:
 - continue/expand end-user groups to discuss their uses of the registry, identify problems, and advise KDHE on problem-resolution and ongoing development of the registry;
 - continue/expand newsletter to end-users; and
 - continue/expand statewide presentations on registry status and future plans to stimulate enrollment, participation, and use.
 (Given their central role in devising and providing such training, KDHE staff may be in the best position to take the lead in expanding this draft Action Item.)

We agreed to spend time at the next meeting (27 June 2007) expanding the concept of creating 'virtual medical homes' for vaccination-eligible children by developing and nurturing close working relationships between private providers and local health departments to refer/coordinate vaccination services and to identify Workgroup member(s) to take the lead in expanding this draft Action Item.

Finally, as a reminder, Paul reiterated the aggressive timeline for remaining Registry Workgroup activities we're facing:

- By mid/end-June, we need to complete our 'diagnostic' discussions and the generation of newly proposed Action Items.
- In July/early-August, we must flesh out the 'final' list of Action Items.
- During the latter part of August, we must prioritize our Workgroup's list of Action Items.
- Present final, completed Action Item forms to KHI by 28 August 2007.

The teleconference adjourned at 10:10am CDT.