

IKK Registry Workgroup Teleconference
DRAFT Minutes
May 16, 2007

The teleconference commenced at 9:06am CDT.

To start, we heard updates and discussed ongoing efforts to gather more information on several of the action items proposed during our meeting on May 8, 2007. Specifically, John Rule reported on ideas to gather more information on the different practice management systems currently in use in Kansas through administrative review of the 2006 IKK clinic questionnaire and/or a more detailed survey/census of providers (e.g., via postal mail or the survey monkey website). Although KHI and KDHE have not yet met, John examined data collected in the 2006 IKK clinic questionnaire; unfortunately, these data don't address KDHE's most important questions (e.g., practice management systems currently being used). During the ensuing discussion, John emphasized that KHI doesn't plan any new surveys through the end of 2007, but offered the option for the Registry Workgroup to list this activity and prioritize it as an action item; alternatively, although KDHE staff acknowledged the option to embark on conducting such a survey on their own (guided by KHI's experience), but probably will continue accumulating this information on an incremental, case-by-case basis.

With regard to the proposed action item to educate and increase targeted providers' awareness of the benefits of participating in WebIZ, Chris has not yet contacted her constituents and colleagues regarding their perceptions and concerns regarding barriers to participate in WebIZ, but will do so and report back to the Workgroup on her progress at our next meeting.

We continued our discussions aimed at fleshing out the action items proposed on May 8th and developing additional action items. To facilitate this process, it was agreed that Workgroup members can/should develop and submit proposed action items via e-mail to Paul and the rest of the group; the Workgroup, in turn, will use these ideas to focus future discussions. We agreed that these written action items **MUST** be submitted to by **NO LATER THAN** June 30, 2007.

During the course of our discussions, several proposed action items were suggested and discussed, including:

- Conducting a 'pilot' (i.e., demonstration) project to identify and resolve common technical issues faced by KDHE in developing linkages, and to use this 'model project' as a marketing tool to recruit additional WebIZ participants. Although this idea had some appeal, it was pointed out that such an effort would probably incur charges from software providers. Also, much of benefit of such a demonstration project may already have been gleaned from the recently completed Medicaid linkage.
- Provide an enhancement within WebIZ to generate summary reports, forms, etc. from clinic-based data. It was pointed out that KDHE already

has some report-writing capabilities built into WebIZ, but would rather focus on expanding enrollment and resolving linkage challenges. Also, because it's unlikely that such a report-generating feature would provide much of an incentive for enrollment—especially in the context of the still-unresolved disincentives to providing immunizations, in general, and enrollment in the WebIZ, in particular.

- Give non-participating providers access to (aggregated??) Medicaid data to demonstrate the usefulness of WebIZ. KDHE reluctant to 'give away' data that are currently available only to participating providers and, in any event, enough examples are already available to prospective participants that demonstrate the usefulness of WebIZ to providers.

Our next meeting will be a teleconference on Wednesday, May 30, 2007 at 9:00 AM CDT. At that time, we will:

- hear an update regarding private providers' perceptions and concerns regarding barriers to participate in WebIZ, and how to develop and deliver education and awareness-raising messages
- continue discussing these action items
- discuss newly proposed action items. (**NOTE: In this regard, be sure to think about and e-mail ideas for additional action items to all Workgroup members in the interim.**)

The teleconference adjourned at 10:03am CDT.