

Health Information Exchange (HIE) Steering Committee

Established: November 2017

Purpose of the HIE Steering Committee

The purpose of the HIE Steering Committee is to help the Agency of Human Services (a) understand the role of the State in facilitating access to tools and data to the healthcare community to enhance/improve the health of all Vermonters, (b) create a plan that reflects this role, (c) oversee the timely execution of that plan, and (d) evaluate the plan's effectiveness.

The Steering Committee's Vision

To enable health information exchange that promotes quality healthcare in Vermont.

The Steering Committee's Mission

To work across organizations and disciplines to create and endorse a shared view of the definition, purpose, and goals of HIE in Vermont.

The Steering Committee's Guiding Principles

- We commit to creating an HIE Plan that is accurate, reliable and actionable.
- We drive to use technology and data to support value-based care.
- We are accountable for meaningful work that furthers the goals of HIE.
- We work to optimize what exists today and be thoughtful about future developments.
- We are good stewards of limited public and private resources.
- We exist to develop systems that better the health and well-being of Vermonters.

Steering Committee Meetings

Since November 15, 2017, the Steering Committee has held five meetings. The first three meetings were focused on joining the group and building an understanding of the findings from the Health-IT/Health Information Exchange Evaluation report. The Committee is now focused on gathering use cases for health information exchange and designing a health information exchange strategic plan that meets the identified user needs. For the foreseeable future, the Steering Committee is meeting for 2-hours every other week.

Steering Committee Membership

The members of the committee were selected by the Chair to best enable HIE progress in Vermont. Membership is comprised of 7 voting members and 3 non-voting members. DVHA's HIE Team acts at the Steering Committee's staff.

Name	Role	Reason for Selection	Voting Member
Michael Costa	Chair	Agency designated program sponsor for HIE/HIT	Voting
Leah Fullem	ACO Lead	Vermont's health care reform goals rely heavily on ACOs	Voting
Kelly Lange	Insurance Lead	Investments should be aligned across payers	Voting
Simone Rueschemeyer	Community Provider Lead	Representative of behavioral health services and data exchange	Voting
Craig Jones	National & State HIE Perspective	National thinker on HIT/HIE with VT delivery system experience	Voting
Andrew Laing	Technologist	Information systems SME; ADS Representative	Voting
Tracy Dolan	Public Health Lead	Public Health data exchange is essential to successful HIE, and it is a focus of federal incentive programs	Voting
Kristina Choquette	VITL Lead	VHIE Representative	Non-Voting
Beth Tanzman	Practice Innovation Lead	Blueprint for Health is considered a key stakeholder in practice level health care reform	Non-Voting
Emily Richards	HIE Program Lead	DVHA's HIE Program Director overseeing HIE contracts, federal plans and funding requests, and the HIE Team	Non-Voting