

Attachment 2: *A Resource Guide for Health Information Technology*

A Resource Guide for Health Information Technology is a reference providing program planners and service providers with practical information about the HHS Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) and its initiatives and grant investments to prepare the emerging Health-IT workforce.

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Background

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, enacted as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, promotes the adoption and meaningful use of health information technology (HIT). The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) located within the Office of the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is charged with coordinating the nationwide efforts to implement and use the most advanced health information technology to enable the electronic exchange of health information. The ONC set a goal for the utilization of an Electronic Health Record (EHR) for each person in the United States by 2014. To support this objective, the ONC has coordinated a suite of investments to educate health information technology professionals.

Developing a Health IT Workforce

The use of technology across the health and human services industry is fragmented. Although some providers have implemented medical records management software, there is still an extensive use of hard copies for forms exchanged between doctors, labs, hospitals, clinics and other health and human services providers. The use of technology for information exchange has proven to save administrative time, contain costs, and reduce errors. Health and human service providers are currently taking advantage of a unique opportunity to implement and meaningfully use EHRs.

The federal government has committed unprecedented resources to support the adoption and use of EHRs. The installment of an EHR system now is a solid investment for the future because:

- **It's where the profession is going:** 90% of medical students consider it important or very important to have an EHR where they choose to practice.⁸
- **It's what patients want:** Four out of five adults believe that online personal health records would be beneficial in managing their health and health care.⁹
- **It makes coordinated care a reality:** EHRs are an essential component of health care innovation efforts such as the Patient Centered Medical Home and Accountable Care Organizations.
- **Incentives now available:** For healthcare providers that are eligible, there is a limited window of opportunity to take advantage of Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs designed to support the implementation of certified

EHRs. A fully functional certified EHR will be essential to participation in both public and private pay-for-performance programs expected in the future.

Due to the legislative timeline and incentives to health providers to be early adopters of EHR, many health and human services providers are changing existing workflows and processes to effectively implement EHR. Some have only just begun, while others have not yet started.

Building a Regional Partnership

The information found in this resource is provided for use by workforce investment partners to support collaboration with the Health Information Technology Regional Extensions Centers (HITRECs) and schools in the Health and Human Services Office of the National Coordinator (HHS ONC) Community College Consortia (see Attachment C) to educate, assess, and employ the workforce required for EHR implementation efforts. In support of this collaboration, we have developed an EHR competency model, and the blocks represent competency areas, that is, the applied skills, knowledge, abilities essential to successful performance in the increasingly electronic environment of the health industry. The EHR model is posted and available for downloading on the Competency Model Clearinghouse (CMC) Web site at <http://www.careeronestop.org/competencymodel/pyramid.aspx?EHR=Y>.

We are asking workforce system leaders in regional areas to convene with interested stakeholders including health care employers and educators to discuss this critical workforce with the Health Information Technology Regional Extension Centers (HITRECs). HITRECS offer technical assistance, guidance and information on best practices to support and accelerate health care providers' efforts to become meaningful users of Electronic Health Records (EHRs). There are an estimated 70 HITRECs supporting primary care providers in achieving meaningful use of EHRs and enabling nationwide health information exchange in a defined geographic area. See Attachment B for a complete list of HITRECs to determine if there is a Center in your vicinity.

Rural health providers and State Offices of Rural Health, face special geographic challenges in their effort to deliver quality care. The realities of distance and attracting and retaining qualified professionals, can complicate health care delivery. The widespread adoption of Health information technology (health IT) can help ameliorate some of those problems. However, rural health care providers face several barriers to health IT implementation. These include:

- Lack of broadband internet access;
- Limited career pathways for the health information workforce ; and
- Insufficient financial capital to implement electronic health record (EHR) systems.

The ONC has developed a Rural Health IT Adoption Toolbox available on-line at <http://www.hrsa.gov/healthit/toolbox/RuralHealthITtoolbox/index.html> that

includes useful information about getting started, program planning, and project staffing and management.

The HITREC is a resource to help foster regional collaboration to meet the following objectives:

- Describing the types of occupations associated with Health IT/EHR professions in your region and the skills needed to perform successfully in these roles;
- Locating sources of Health IT/EHR training, assessment vouchers and employment opportunities; and,
- Learning about transferrable skills and work experiences from prospective Health IT employers.

The outcomes from a coordinated approach include:

- Establishing a plan for continued collaboration with HITRECs;
- Developing a process for working with local employers that have employment opportunities; and,
- Identifying training opportunities by working with local education providers.

About this Resource

This resource has four sections that will guide your conversation:

- Developing a Health IT Workforce
- Understanding Health IT Occupations
- Education and Employment Resources
- Appendices:
 - Key Definitions
 - Health Information Technology Regional Extension Centers (HITRECs)
 - Health and Human Services Office of the National Coordinator (HHS ONC) Community College Consortia Members

Understanding Health IT Occupations

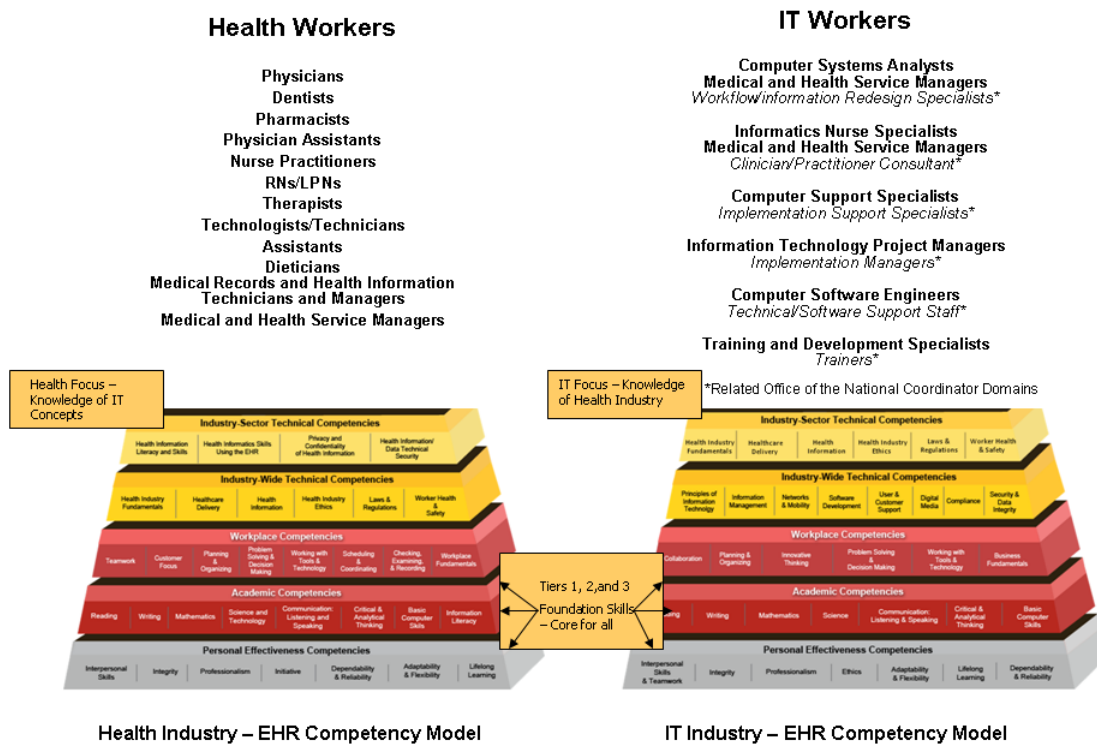
Successful EHR implementation requires enhanced workforce skills at several junctures:

- Project management during implementation
- Training and staff support for ongoing operation and maintenance
- New and enhanced skills for staff who interact daily with new technology

ONC initiatives and investments focus on training the IT workforce who will provide support for the implementation and maintenance of EHR. Over the past year the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has worked with federal agencies and industry partners to identify the core competencies required to develop the training needed to prepare new and existing healthcare workers with the knowledge and skills to effectively use EHR. Refer to the EHR Competency Model for more information on the knowledge and skills required of the healthcare workforce. The Intersection of Health and IT in Figure 1 demonstrates the commonality of foundation competencies and the distinction in focus in the industry wide and industry technical competencies. Health workers need a broad knowledge of the health industry supplemented with IT concepts; whereas the Health-IT worker needs a strong background in IT concepts as they might apply to the culture and business of healthcare delivery.

Figure 1.

Implementation of EHR - *the Intersection of Health and IT*



A Health IT worker (depicted to the right in Figure 1) is someone who is qualified to support the adoption and implementation of Electronic Health Records (EHRs), information exchange across health care providers and public health authorities, and the redesign of workflows within health care settings to gain the quality and efficiency benefits of EHRs. It is anticipated that implementation efforts will be supported a mobile project management team, as well as a permanent support staff at a health provider's location.

Mobile Project Management Team Positions

The project management team must have leadership skills, management ability, patience, and vision. The team must realize that the implementation of a health IT system is a large, multifaceted project that will not always go as planned. The ability to deal with frustration constructively and seek opportunities in the face of adversity is a definite asset. Good communication skills, both verbal and written communication skills among team members and with the administration are essential for ensuring that a project is well managed and organized. With the increasing complexity of clinical system implementations, the need for well trained, skilled project managers is expected to increase.

These members of the workforce will support implementation at specific locations, for a period of time, and when their work is done, will move on to new locations. They might be employed by regional extension centers, hospitals, critical access hospitals, provider offices, vendors, or state/city public health agencies. The team would consist of:

Position	<i>Workers in this role will:</i>	<i>Past experience and anticipated training required:</i>
Implementation support specialists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •execute implementation project plans •install hardware (as needed) •configure software to meet practice needs •incorporate usability principles into design and implementation 	<p>Experience in information technology or information management</p> <p>Three to six month certificate training for individuals with technical training</p>
Practice workflow and information management redesign specialists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •conduct user requirements analysis to facilitate workflow design; •integrate information technology functions into workflow; •document health information exchange needs; •design processes and information flows that accommodate quality improvement and reporting; •work with provider personnel to 	<p>Backgrounds in health care (e.g., as a practice administrator) or in information technology, but are not licensed clinical professionals</p> <p>Three to six month certificate training for health care or information management backgrounds</p>

	<p>implement revised workflows; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluate process workflows to validate or improve practice’s systems 	
Clinician consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suggest solutions for health IT implementation problems in clinical and public health settings; • address workflow and data collection issues from a clinical perspective, including quality measurement and improvement; • assist in selection of vendors and software; and • advocate for users’ needs, acting as a liaison between users, IT staff, and vendors. 	<p>Similar to the “redesign specialist” role listed above but brings to bear the background and experience of a licensed clinical and professional or public health professional</p> <p>Three to six month certificate training for health professionals</p>
Implementation managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply project management and change management principles to create implementation project plans to achieve the project goals • interact with office/hospital personnel to ensure open communication with the support team • lead implementation teams consisting of workers in the roles described above • manage vendor relations, providing feedback to health IT vendors for product improvement 	<p>Experience in health and/or IT environments as well as administrative and managerial experience.</p> <p>Training in any of the above plus administrative experience</p>

Permanent Support Staff

Staff of healthcare delivery and public health sites will be needed for the ongoing support and facilitation of health IT systems across the health care industry, in organizations such as office practices, hospitals, health centers, long term care facilities, health information exchange organizations and state and local public health agencies. These workers provide the support needed to train the health workers in the new processes and procedures to help them become efficient and meaningful users of that technology. Permanent support staff might include:

Position	Workers in this role will:	Past experience and anticipated training required:
<p>Clinician leaders:</p> <p>Chief Medical Informatics/ Information Officer (CMIO)</p> <p>Chief Nursing Informatics Officer (CNIO)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop strategic plans for clinical systems and information management • align clinical system capabilities with organizational needs • oversee IT governance • ensure that developments are in line with global trends in medicine, informatics and information technology 	<p>Medical Health Service Manager or Informatics Nurse Specialists</p> <p>One year certificate or masters degree in informatics on top of licensed health care/public health professional status</p>
<p>Technical/software support staff</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • interact with end users to diagnose IT problems and implement solutions • document IT problems and evaluate the effectiveness of problem resolution • support systems security and standards 	<p>Previous experience information technology or information management</p> <p>Six month certificate training for technical specialists</p>
<p>Trainers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a range of health IT applications, preferably at an expert level • communicate both health and IT concepts as appropriate • assess training needs and competencies of learners • design lesson plans, structuring active learning experiences for user • track training records of the users and develop learning plans for further instruction 	<p>Experience as a health professional or health information management specialist. Classroom experience as a trainer in the classroom is also desired.</p> <p>Six month certificate program for health professionals or health information management specialists</p>
<p>Health Information Management and Exchange Specialists</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • support the collection, management, retrieval, exchange, and/or analysis of information in electronic form, in health care and public health organizations 	<p>Bachelors and masters degrees in Health Information Management and related fields.</p>
<p>Health Information Privacy and Security Specialists</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure the privacy and security of health information 	<p>Bachelors or Masters degree in information science</p>

Health Care and Public Health Informaticians

These individuals will be highly-trained and highly-specialized for academic faculty positions and research and development in various public, non-profit and for profit sectors of the health care industry. This workforce might include:

Position	<i>Workers in this role will:</i>	<i>Past experience and anticipated training required:</i>
Research and development scientists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •support efforts to create innovative models and solutions that advance the capabilities of health IT •conduct studies on the effectiveness of health IT and its effect on health care quality 	Doctoral degrees in informatics or masters degrees for health professionals
Programmers and software engineers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •be cross-trained in IT and health domains, thereby possessing a high level of familiarity with health domains to complement their technical skills in computer and information science 	Masters programs combining information/computer science and health domains
Sub-specialists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •have a knowledge of IT, and deep knowledge drawn from disciplines (ethics, economics, business, policy and planning, cognitive psychology, and industrial/systems engineering) that inform health IT policy or technology 	Masters or doctoral training in such fields as ethics, human factors, interfaces, cognitive psychology, industrial/systems engineering

Education and Employment Resources

Training the Workforce through Community College Consortia

Over the past year the ONC provided funding to the **Community College Consortia** to develop or improve non-degree health IT training programs that can be completed in six

months or less. The ONC collaborated with the Department of Education to establish a technical assistance team that provided direction and support to the member institutions. The Consortia comprises five regional groups of more than 70 member community colleges in all 50 states. Each college developed the admission criteria for the certificate programs designed to train mid-level career professionals for Health-IT positions.

In late April 2011, HHS announced that 2,280 health information technology professionals graduated from community colleges with 3,000 graduates expected by the end of summer. These graduates represent a portion of the initial health IT workforce that will be trained through the HHS workforce development program this year. Many of the graduates have prior backgrounds in health care or information technology. They will be seeking employment with health providers to implement EHR systems in provider and hospital settings.

Workforce Boards and One-Stop Career Centers are encouraged to collaborate with these colleges around training opportunities and to develop strategies for assisting the graduates to find employment. Appendix C contains a complete listing of participating colleges with contact information.

Health-IT Competency Exam

Potential Health-IT workers will generally require additional training to compete for the openings on implementation and support teams. In April 2010, ONC awarded \$6 million in a two-year cooperative agreement to [Northern Virginia Community College \(NOVA\)](#) to develop health information technology (health IT) competency examinations for each of the positions on the implementation support team. These HIT Pro exams developed in partnership with Pearson Vu can be taken at 230 Pearson Professional Centers around the country. The competency exams were developed to confirm that an applicant has the experience and skills required to meet the nation's need for health information technology workers. For additional information visit the HIT Pro site at <http://www.hitproexams.org/>.

The ONC is using the colleges in the Community College Consortia to reach out to perspective students, but would also like to use state and local workforce agencies to access those individuals who are not enrolled in the Consortia program and have health care or IT backgrounds. The ONC has provided funds for 27,500 vouchers that enable individuals to take free exams. For more information about the availability of vouchers see [http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/community/healthit_hhs_gov_competency_examination_program_\(2\)/1809](http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/community/healthit_hhs_gov_competency_examination_program_(2)/1809)

Employment Resources

Potential sources for the graduate to seek employment include, but are not limited to: hospitals, community health centers, medical offices, regional extension centers, State

Offices of Rural Health (SOHR), vendors, managed service providers, and consulting firms.

The following resources might be consulted to enhance the customary job search techniques such as networking, job clubs, and Web searches.

	Resource	Web link
Niche Job Board	HIMSS JobMine	http://onchitjobs.himss.org/home/index.cfm?site_id=12238 Post Jobs Search Job Listings Post Resumes
Regional Extension Centers	RECs	Contact List – Appendix B http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/community/healthit_hhs_gov_rec_program/1495
Health Care Services Hospitals Nursing Home	Employer Locator	http://www.acinet.org/employerlocator/employerlocator.asp?nodeid=18 Search by Industry Select Hospitals and Social Assistance Select a State Select Facility Type
State Offices of Rural Health	Directory of State Offices and Associations	http://www.hrsa.gov/ruralhealth/about/directory/index.html
EHR Product Vendors	Certified Health-IT Product List	http://onc-chpl.force.com/ehrcert Search for Vendors View vendor Web site for Career Opportunities
Managed Service Providers	CompTIA	http://www.comptia.org/membership/communities/healthcareIT.aspx

Career Exploration

There are numerous career information and exploration Web sites, but there are two that were created with IT in mind.

Health Information Careers developed by the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) is a resource to assist current Health-IT professionals to learn, grow, and advance in their careers. See <http://www.himss.org/ASP/CareerServicesHome.asp>

Health Information Careers developed by the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) is a resource for health information professionals to learn how to use their knowledge of information technology and records management to form the link between clinicians, administrators, technology designers, and information technology professionals. See <http://www.hicareers.com/>

Appendix A: Key Definitions

Electronic Health Record (EHR)

Health IT includes the use of electronic health records (EHRs) instead of paper medical records to maintain people's health information. The widespread use of a system of electronic health records (EHR) will provide access to a patient's total health information supporting better health care decisions, and more coordinated care. A portable EHR makes a patient's health information available when and where it is needed.

Electronic Health Records (EHRs) are longitudinal electronic records of patient health information generated by one or more encounters in any care delivery setting. Included in this information are patient demographics, progress notes, problems, medications, vital signs, past medical history, immunizations, laboratory data and radiology reports. The EHR automates and streamlines the clinician's workflow because it generates a complete record of a clinical patient encounter. EHRs can also support the collection of data for uses other than clinical care, such as billing, quality management, outcome reporting, public health disease surveillance and reporting.¹

EHRs can support better follow-up information for patients – for example, after a clinical visit or hospital stay, instructions and information can be effortlessly provided to the patient and reminders for other follow-up care can be sent easily or even automatically to the patient. EHRs can improve patient and provider convenience – patients can have their prescriptions ordered and ready even before they leave the provider's office, and insurance claims can be filed immediately from the provider's office.

Electronic Health Record Technology is defined for the purposes of the Medicare and Medicaid Incentive Programs. The software technology must offer the necessary technological capability, functionality, and security to meet the *meaningful use* criteria.

Electronic Medical Record (EMR)

Sometimes people use the terms "Electronic Medical Record" or "EMR" when talking about Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology. Very often an Electronic Medical Record or EMR is just another way to describe an Electronic Health Record or EHR. Health providers and software or application vendors sometimes use the terms interchangeably.

There is, however, a distinction between EMR and EHR. The EMR can be thought of as the recording of patient information and medical findings in an electronic format. In plain terms it is an electronic version of a patient's chart maintained by medical professionals or treatment facilities. The EMR is specific to and generally the property of the provider. There are numerous software applications available for EMR. EHR technology products and systems are secure, can maintain data confidentially, and can work with other systems to share information. It is the requirement that EHRs have the capability to share information with other systems that separates them from EMRs.

Personal Health Records (PHR)

In addition to EMRs and EHRs, you may come across the term Personal Health Record, or PHR. A Personal Health Record (PHR) is an electronic record of health information maintained by the patient. A PHR might contain information about medical conditions, allergies, medications, and doctor or hospital visits. The PHR makes it possible for the patient to store in one place and share information with others as needed. The patient controls how the information is used and who can access it.

PHRs are usually accessed through the Internet so information is available anytime or anywhere. See <http://www.medicare.gov/navigation/manage-your-health/personal-health-records/personal-health-records-overview.aspx>

Appendix B: Health Information Technology Regional Extension Centers (HITRECS) Contacts

State	Regional Extension Center Name	Email
AK	Alaska eHealth Network	rebecca@ak-ehealth.org
AL	Alabama Regional Extension Center	info@al-rec.org
AR	HIT Arkansas	ifuchs@afmc.org
AS	Hawaii-Pacific (HI, GM, AS, CNMI) REC	aito@hawaiihie.org
AZ	Arizona Health-e Connection (AzHeC)	melissa.rutala@azhec.org
CA	CalHIPSO (North)	info@calhipso.org
CA	CalHIPSO (South)	info@calhipso.org
CA	CalOptima Foundation	emoscaritolo@caloptima.org
CA	HITEC-LA	HITEC-LA@lacare.org
CNMI	Hawaii-Pacific (HI, GM, AS, CNMI) REC	aito@hawaiihie.org
CO	Colorado Regional Extension Center (CORHIO)	palbritton@corhio.org
CT	eHealth Connecticut	scleary@gosmacpartners.com
DC	eHealth DC	info@ehealthdc.org
DE	Quality Insights of Delaware	bschindele@wvmi.org
FL	Center for the Advancement of Health IT (Rural and North Florida Regional Extension Center)	info@AdvanceHealthIT.org
FL	South Florida Regional Extension Center Collaborative	info@southfloridarec.org
FL	PaperFree Florida	jwolfson@hsc.usf.edu
FL	Central Florida REC	info@ucf-rec.org
GA	Georgia HITREC	dmack@msm.edu
GM	Hawaii-Pacific (HI, GM, AS, CNMI) REC	aito@hawaiihie.org
HI	Hawaii-Pacific (HI, GM, AS, CNMI) REC	aito@hawaiihie.org
IA	Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (Iowa HITREC)	IowaHITREC@ifmc.org
ID	Washington & Idaho Regional Extension Center(WIREC)	peggye@qualishealth.org
IL	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (CHITREC)	info@chitrec.org
IL	Illinois Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (IL-HITREC)	info@ilhitrec.org
IN	HealthBridge Tri-State (IN, KY, OH) REC	dgroves@healthbridge.org
IN	Purdue University	marrowsm@purdue.edu
KS	Kansas Foundation for Medical Care, Inc. (KFMC)	recsupport@kfmc.org
KY	HealthBridge Tri-State (IN, KY, OH) REC	dgroves@healthbridge.org
KY	University of Kentucky Research Foundation	kyrec@uky.edu
LA	Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum	bikerd@lhcgf.org
MA	Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation	rodenstein@masstech.org

MD	Chesapeake Regional Information System for Our Patients	info@crisphealth.org
ME	HealthInfoNet	info@hinfonet.org
MI	Michigan Center for Effective IT Adoption (M-CEITA)	mceita.info@altarum.org
MN	Regional Extension Assistance Center for Health Information Technology (REACH)	info@khaREACH.org
MO	Missouri HIT Assistance Center	EHRhelp@missouri.edu
MS	Mississippi Regional Extension Center	rbordelon@eqhs.org
MT	Mountain-Pacific Quality Health Foundation (MPQHF)	kurbanek@mpqhf.org
NC	University of North Carolina AHEC REC	tom_bacon@med.unc.edu
ND	Regional Extension Assistance Center for Health Information Technology (REACH)	info@khaREACH.org
NE	Wide River Technology Extension Center	info@widerivertec.org
NH	Regional Extension Center of New Hampshire	jmonahan@maehc.org
NJ	New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT)	info@njhitec.org
NM	Lovelace Clinic Foundation-LCF Research	Lyndi.Dittmer-Perry@LCFResearch.org
NV	HealthInsight	sdonnelly@healthinsight.org
NY	New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC)	pwilder@nyehealth.org
NY	NYC REACH	aparsons@health.nyc.gov
OH	HealthBridge Tri-State (IN, KY,OH) REC	dgroves@healthbridge.org
OH	Ohio Health Information Partnership (OHIP)	info@OHIPonline.org
OK	Oklahoma Foundation for Medical Quality, Inc. (OFMQ)	Dgolder@ofmq.com
OR	Oregon's Health Information Technology Extension Center (O-HITEC)	info@ohitec.org
PA	Quality Insights of Pennsylvania (Eastern)	asomplasky@wvmi.org
PA	Quality Insights of Pennsylvania (Western)	asomplasky@wvmi.org
PR	Ponce School of Medicine	jgarcia@psm.edu
RI	Rhode Island Quality Institute (RIQI)	info@riqi.org
SC	Center for Information Technology Implementation Assistance in South Carolina (CITIA-SC)	thornbur@mailbox.sc.edu
SD	healthPOINT	amy.townsend@dsu.edu
TN	Qsource	jmcanally@qsource.org
TX	North Texas Regional Extension Center	info@ntrec.org
TX	West Texas Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center (WT-HITREC)	info@wtxhitrec.org
TX	CentrEast Regional Extension Center	tduke@tamhsc.edu
TX	Gulf Coast Regional Extension Center	pamela.d.slaver@uth.tmc.edu
UT	HealthInsight	sdonnelly@healthinsight.org
VA	VHQC (Virginia Health Quality Center)	lfisher@vhqc.org
VT	Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc.	pforlenza@vitl.net
WA	Washington & Idaho Regional Extension Center(WIREC)	peggve@qualishealth.org

WI	Wisconsin Health Information Technology Extension Center	iwang@metastar.com
WV	West Virginia Health Improvement Institute, Inc.	cstandre@spreadinnovation.com
WY	Mountain-Pacific Quality Health Foundation (MPQHF)	kurbanek@mpghf.org
NIHB	National Indian Health Board (NIHB)	tkauley@nihb.org

**Appendix C: Health and Human Services Office of the National Coordinator (HHS
ONC) Community College Consortia**

School	City	State
<u>Region A Lead: Bellevue Community College</u>		
Bellevue College	Bellevue	Washington
Dakota State University	Madison	South Dakota
Lake Region State College	Devil's Lake	North Dakota
Montana Tech	Butte	Montana
North Idaho College	Coeur d'Alene	Idaho
Portland Community College	Portland	Oregon
Pueblo Community College	Pueblo	Colorado
Salt Lake Community College	Salt Lake City	Utah
<u>Region B Lead: Los Rios Community College District</u>		
Butte College	Oroville	California
College of Southern Nevada	Las Vegas	Nevada
Cosumnes River College	Sacramento	California
East LA College	Monterey Park	California
Fresno City College	Fresno	California
Los Rios Community College District	Sacramento	California
Maricopa College	Phoenix	Arizona
Mission College	Santa Clara	California
Orange Coast College	Costa Mesa	California
Pima College	Tucson	Arizona
San Diego Mesa College	San Diego	California
Santa Barbara City College	Santa Barbara	California
Santa Monica College	Santa Monica	California

University of Hawaii College - Kapiolani	Honolulu	Hawaii
<u>Region C Lead: Cuyahoga Community College District</u>		
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College	Cincinnati	Ohio
Columbus State Community College	Columbus	Ohio
Cuyahoga Community College	Cleveland	Ohio
Delta College	University Center	Michigan
Des Moines Area Community College	Ankeny	Iowa
Johnson County Community College	Overland Park	Kansas
Kirkwood Community College	Cedar Rapids	Iowa
Lansing Community College	Lansing	Michigan
Macomb Community College	Warren	Michigan
Madison Area Technical College	Madison	Wisconsin
Metropolitan Community College	Omaha	Nebraska
Milwaukee Area Technical College	Milwaukee	Wisconsin
Moraine Valley Community College	Palos Hills	Illinois
Normandale Community College	Bloomington	Minnesota
Sinclair Community College	Dayton	Ohio
St. Louis Community College	St. Louis	Missouri
<u>Region D Lead: Pitt Community College</u>		
Atlanta Technical College	Atlanta	Georgia
Broward College	Coconut Creek	Florida
Catawba Valley Community	Hickory	North Carolina
Central Piedmont Community College	Charlotte	North Carolina
Chattanooga State Community College	Chattanooga	Tennessee
Dallas County Community College District	Dallas	Texas

Delgado Community College	New Orleans	Louisiana
Dyersburg State Community College	Dyersburg	Tennessee
Florence/Darlington Technical College	Florence	South Carolina
Hinds Community College	Raymond	Mississippi
Houston Community College	Houston	Texas
Indian River State College	Ft. Pierce	Florida
Itawamba Community College	Tupelo	Mississippi
Jefferson Community & Technical College	Louisville	Kentucky
Midland College	Midland	Texas
National Park Community College	Hot Springs	Arkansas
Pitt Community College	Winterville	North Carolina
Santa Fe College	Gainesville	Florida
Tulsa Community College	Tulsa	Oklahoma
Walters State Community College	Morristown	Tennessee
<u>Region E Lead: Tidewater Community College</u>		
Bristol Community College	Fall River	Massachusetts
Bronx Community College	Bronx	New York
Brookdale Community College	Lincroft	New Jersey
Burlington Community College	Pemberton	New Jersey
Camden County College	Blackwood	New Jersey
Capital Community College	Hartford	Connecticut
Community College of Allegheny County	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
Community College of Baltimore County	Baltimore City	Maryland
Community College of DC	Washington	District of Columbia
Community College of Vermont	Waterbury	Vermont

Essex County College	Newark	New Jersey
Gloucester County College	Sewall	New Jersey
Kennebec Valley Community College	Fairfield	Maine
Northern Virginia Community College	Annandale	Virginia
Ocean County College	Toms River	New Jersey
Passaic County Community College	Paterson	New Jersey
Raritan Valley Community College	Branchburg	New Jersey
Southern Maine Community College	South Portland	Maine
Suffolk County Community College	Brentwood	New York
Tidewater Community College	Virginia Beach	Virginia
West Virginia Northern Community College	Wheeling	West Virginia
Westchester Community College	Valhalla	New York

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