

HITSAC Next Steps
For Discussion Purposes
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Listed below are potential next steps for HITSAC.

- Provide input to the Environmental Scan team, being managed by the Secretary of Technology, on what data to collect from state agencies. For example
 - What data standards are currently in use for agency applications?
 - What are the strategic plans to migrate to new standards?
 - Will agencies be required to report data to federal agencies via the NHIN?
 - What is the priority for your agency to connect to the COV-HIE?
 - Plans to implement electronic medical records to be in compliance with meaningful use.

- Review results of environmental scan and make recommendations on HIT priorities for the state agencies.

- Follow the continued development of standards by HITSP and recommend adoption, when appropriate.

- Determine if the Commonwealth should conduct standards testing to insure validity of HITSP standards.

- Define, in greater detail, the technical architecture and functions for the COV-HIE
 - Identify the architecture standards that public and private organizations will use to connect to the COV-HIE
 - Identify the technical functions to be offered by the COV-HIE
 - Identify the workflow needed to support the HIE functions
 - Identify the priority order in which connections should be established on the COV-HIE

- Determine the ongoing governance structure for the HIT standards being adopted by the Commonwealth.

- Review certification requirements issued by ONC for HIEs.

- Make contact with other states to find collaborative opportunities for standards and HIE planning work.
 - Utah's HIE plan now focuses on clinical data (currently sharing administrative data).
 - Indiana

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- Further explore work done by Availity with administrative data work through VHEN. Ultimately administrative data would flow through the COV-HIE.