

# HITSAC Tasks

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Listed below are the next steps HITSAC members discussed during their March 11, 2010 meeting.

1. Perform a gap analysis to determine where the state agencies are compared to the recommended HIE standards. First step will be to develop a list of questions for state agencies. Provide questions to Kim Barnes and she will disseminate them to the group of IT Directors representing the Health and Human Resources (HHR) secretariat. Some example questions are provided below:
  - o What are the current standards used to exchange data?
  - o Do you have plans to migrate to new standards?, when?
  - o Are federal agencies notifying state agencies of new reporting or data exchange requirements?
  - o What type of data is your highest priority to add to the COV-HIE exchange?
  - o Does your agency have plans to implement electronic medical records?
2. Partner with Virginia Health Quality Center (VHQC) and the Center for Innovative Technology (CIT) to share the Commonwealth's vision for health information technology infrastructure and standards. VHQC and CIT are partners in leading Virginia's Regional Extension Center (REC) initiative.
3. Develop interaction with organizations such as National Governor's Association (NGA), American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) and National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) on behalf of the Health IT Advisory Commission (HITAC). Offer to brief organizations on Commonwealth's direction and standards. Coordinate these activities with the HITAC's Communications committee.
4. Brief VHEN and Availity on the standards being promulgated by HITSAC.
5. Follow the continued development of federal standards and recommend adoption, when appropriate.
6. Determine the ongoing governance process for the health IT standards being adopted by the Commonwealth.