

Texas Health and Human Services Commission e-Health Advisory Committee

Background:

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Electronic Health Advisory Committee's purpose is to advise the Executive Commissioner and Health and Human Services system agencies (HHSC agencies) on strategic planning, policy, rules, and services related to the use of health information technology, health information exchange systems, telemedicine, telehealth, and home telemonitoring services.

The Committee last met on June 6th, 2022. At this meeting the Committee received:

- Direction on report writing for the committee's report that will go to the legislature in 2023, which discusses the work of the committee and their recommendations.
- Interoperability; telemedicine, telehealth, and telemonitoring; and behavioral health subcommittee reports.
- A presentation on the status of House Bill 4 from the 87th Legislative Session and an appearance by a representative of Senator Nathan Johnson's office to discuss the Legislative Perspective on interoperability.
- HHSC & DSHS Interoperability updates including: the status of the HIE Connectivity Project, Interoperability for Texas Report, the status of Senate Bill 640 from the 87th Legislature, and interoperability data activities.
- Presentations by the Texas Health Services Authority on disaster response in health information technology, along with Texas Medical Association's presentation on physician challenges related to interoperability.
- An Update on the Pediatric Tele-Connectivity Resource Program for Rural Texas

The next eHealth Advisory Committee Meeting is scheduled for September 16th, 2022, at which time President Shipp will take over as the representative of the Texas Board of Nursing to the Committee.

Recommendation:

This item is for informational purposes only. No action is required.