



Query Workgroup Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2014: 2:00 – 3:00 pm EST

Meeting Participants

Committee Members

- ✓ Hans Buitendijk, Siemens (Co-Chair)
- ✓ Seth Selkow, Kaiser Permanente (Co-Chair)
- ✓ David Tao, ICSA Labs
- ✓ Justin Stauffer, Epic
- ✓ Marty Prahl, SSA
- ✓ Joe Lamy, AEGIS.net
- ✓ Bob Robke, CommonWell Health Alliance
- ✓ Adam Rabinowitz, ManTech
- ✓ Eric Heflin, Healthway
- ✓ Tara Dragert, Surescripts
- ✓ John Donnelly, Interoperability Domain Expert
- ✓ David Schramm, Mirth
- ✓ Sean Turner, Dignity Health
- ✓ Tone Southerland, Ready Computing

Invited Subject Matter Experts and Carequality Support Team

- ✓ Mariann Yeager, Healthway Executive Director
- ✓ Didi Davis, Healthway Testing Program Manager
- ✓ Grace Moon, Clinovations Government Solutions
- ✓ Karen Chan, Clinovations Government Solutions



Meeting Summary

Call to Order

Discussion Summary: Roll call was facilitated to identify the Query Workgroup members and invited SME's and Support Team. See list of participants noted above.

Action / Follow Up: None

Opening Remarks

Discussion Summary: Hans Buitendijk (Siemens) and Seth Selkow (Kaiser Permanente) introduced themselves as co-chairs of the Query Workgroup. They thanked the Workgroup members for their participation and welcomed the group.

Action / Follow Up: None

Introductions

Discussion Summary: All individuals present on the call introduced themselves to the group.

Action / Follow Up: None

Carequality Overview

Discussion Summary: An overview of Carequality was provided to the Workgroup, including background information; an example of how the different groups within Carequality are intended to collaborate; Carequality founders; Carequality governance principles; the Carequality governing structure; roles and responsibilities of the Healthway Board of Directors, Carequality Steering Committee, Advisory Council, and Workgroups; and Steering Committee and Trust Framework Workgroup Representatives. Please see 9/22 Workgroup meeting slides for further details.

Action / Follow Up: None

Query Workgroup Charter Review

Discussion Summary: The Workgroup reviewed the charter as a group. It was noted that the Steering Committee has already approved the scope of work within the charter. However, the Workgroup co-chairs have an opportunity to raise questions or concerns about the charter at the upcoming September 30th in-person Steering Committee meeting.

In regards to the Workgroup charter, members discussed the following topics:

- In regards to simple query between and among networks, what constitutes as a network? The Workgroup discussed that it may not want to select exclusive networks,



however, members were interested in seeking clarification on this topic in order to prioritize the work.

- It was noted that Carequality was created to allow information to be exchanged between any type of health information network or provider (e.g, eHealthExchange to CommonWell)
- A member commented that it would be important to define the architectural models involved because some networks act with common endpoints, while others may use a central bridge or routing mechanism. A question was raised regarding how to bridge networks without mechanisms in place. It was suggested that the Workgroup also consider how to connect participants within networks as well.
- Workgroup members emphasized the importance of ensuring that their work leads to an operational state and that clarification from the Steering Committee regarding the vision and goals of the Workgroup would be helpful.

Action / Follow Up: Workgroup members are encouraged to review the charter in further detail and raise questions or concerns at the next Workgroup meeting. Clarification regarding the scope of work will be sought from the Steering Committee.

Query Use Case & Implementation Guide Draft Template Review

Discussion Summary: The Workgroup reviewed the Query Use Case & Implementation Guide draft template at a high level. It was explained that although it is currently a single document, over time it could become multiple documents. To focus the scope of work, it was suggested that the first few discussions highlight which simple query uses cases could provide the most value.

Action / Follow Up: Workgroup members were asked to consider the following:

- What use cases can be moved into production in a reasonably short amount of time and should be considered as candidates for the document?
- What is available in the industry and what would need to be created?
- What is available that can be taken advantage of?
- Is there something that is low hanging fruit that will provide substantial value to the audience?
- What are the different steps that the Workgroup needs to take to provide a solution?

Upcoming Meetings

Discussion Summary: The Workgroup reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule. After polling members, it was identified that the best time to meet would be Mondays from 2-3 PM EST. The Workgroup will meet on a weekly basis through the end of October, at which time the meeting frequency will be reevaluated.

The Workgroup was also informed of an upcoming all day in-person Steering Committee meeting that will occur on September 30th. Hans Buitendijk (Siemens) and Seth Selkow (Kaiser



Permanente) will be representing the Query Workgroup at the meeting and will raise questions and concerns to the Steering Committee.

Action / Follow Up: None

Next Steps

Discussion Summary: Next steps include

- Reviewing Query Use Case & Implementation Guide in further detail and providing feedback at the next meeting
- Thinking about how to establish high-value use cases. Consider industry gaps, what is missing?
- Identifying other sample implementations we should consider for the Query Use Case & Implementation Guide
- In regards to enabling the exchange of health information between and among networks for simple query– the Workgroup will seek clarification on whether to identify specific networks to clarify the scope of work
- Consider how consent will fit into the use cases
- Staff will send a follow-up email to Workgroup members with contact information for co-chairs and support staff

Action / Follow Up: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm EST.