

Summary of Provider Directory Workshop Findings

The first day of the Provider Directory Workshop concentrated on achieving a common understanding of the current state of development and implementation of provider directories. Presenters were asked to describe the characteristics, use cases, achievements, challenges, and recommendations of current provider directory initiatives and implementations. Day 1 included presentations on statewide implementations, nationwide exchange networks, health plan initiatives, Federal Agency efforts, and current technical standards, as well as two illustrative demonstrations sponsored by ONC and FHA.

The second day of the Workshop was a working session. It concentrated on an initial discussion of use cases, information needs, and stakeholder access to provider directories. It also explored further industry support and future developments in technical standards for implementing provider directories.

The following sections concentrate on reported findings in both Day 1 and Day 2 presentations and discussions.

- [Lessons from Existing Implementations](#) lists some of the major findings reported on current implementations and planned initiatives, including those of statewide implementations, health plans and insurers, and national exchange networks.
- [Federal Agency Role](#) lists important items from discussions of the role of Federal Agencies in provider directories, especially of the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) and the Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS), the registration systems for the national provider identifier (NPI) and Medicare providers, respectively.
- A discussion of past initiatives, including recommendations of the Health Information Technology Policy Committee (HITPC), Health Information Technology Standards Committee (HITSC), their task forces, and other public workgroups and meetings was presented at the Workshop. These historical materials are included in Appendix F, [Provider Directory Workshop Materials](#), but not summarized in this section.
- [Provider Directory Scope and Use Cases](#) lists important items from the discussions of scope, use cases, data attribute and feature requirements, stakeholders, and user access on the second day of the Workshop.
- [Technical Standards](#) lists important items from presentations on technical standards for provider directories presented on Day 1, including Healthcare Provider Directory (HPD) and Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR), and the discussion of planned development and adoption of technical standards on Day 2.

Appendix F, [Provider Directory Workshop Materials](#), and Appendix G, [Provider Directory Workshop Demonstration](#), include complete materials from the Provider Directory Workshop, including presentations, recordings of most presentations and discussions, and a draft transcript of discussions for both Day 1 and Day 2.

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