

# Health Information Exchange/Health-IT Update to the Green Mountain Care Board

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# HIE Program Update

- DVHA and VITL met all requirements of Act 187 of 2018 (bi-monthly reporting, contingency planning, consent recommendation, etc.)
- The 2019 HIE Steering Committee was established in February
- 2019 VITL contracts are underway
- HIE partners are pursuing shared HIE infrastructure
- DVHA continues to evaluate how changes in federal rules and funding streams will impact the program

# HIE Program Update: 2019 Steering Committee

- 2019 Committee Goals:

- Assess potential changes in the State's consent policy and the Steering Committee's related action
- Conduct an assessment of the State's data governance efforts and define the Steering Committee's role in relation to existing work
- Develop an evaluation methodology for assessing HIE proposals, current work, and the HIE Plan and conduct an evaluation of HIE activities
- Draft a Technical Roadmap that reflects a 3-5 yr. IT investment and growth strategy related to key HIE strategic objectives
  - *Note: DVHA is in the process of hiring a consultant with state and national expertise to support this work*
- Develop the 2020 version of the financing/sustainability model
- No later than November 1: Update the HIE plan with the evaluation results, Technical Roadmap, sustainability model, items left unaddressed in 2019, and tactical plans for 2020

# HIE Program Update: VITL Contracts

- **Maintenance & Operations**

- Operations of the VHIE System (Systems Management)
- Identity Management
- Data Access
- Consent Management
- Data Extraction and Aggregation
- Security
- *Operational Goals:*
  - Further automate the consent management process, increasing the number of records with consent documented to 42%
  - Reduce duplicate records in the VHIE by 20% from the December 1, 2018 baseline (40% reduction in 2018)

- **System Development and Enhancements**

- Data Access
  - Increase the number of providers with direct access to data in the VHIE via direct query (cross community access) and/or single sign on from the EHR to the VHIE provider portal
- Data Extraction and Aggregation
  - Maintain/increase interface connections
  - Develop connectivity “work plans” with each health care organization to target increased Connectivity Criteria tiers
- Data Quality
  - Deploy new terminology services and integration engine tools in collaboration with HIE partners

End-User Services		
Reporting Services	Notification Services	
Analytics Services	Consumer Tools	
Care Coordination Tools	Patient Attribution & Dashboards	
Exchange Services		
Data Extraction & Aggregation		Data Access
Interoperability	Data Quality	Data Governance
Foundational Services		
Identity Management	Consent Policy & Management	
Security	Provider Directories	

# National-Level Changes with Impacts in Vermont

- HITECH Act funds expire in 2021, which requires shifting some HIE projects under the umbrella of Medicaid Enterprise Services
  - This may impact the federal share for HIE projects and the types of projects that are supported
- Proposed CMS/ONC rules have the potential to drive interoperability and simplify patient access to records
- Awaiting more on the federal Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement (TEFCA)

Questions?