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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology;**

**HIT Standards Committee's Workgroup Meetings; Notice of Meetings**

**AGENCY:** Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

This notice announces forthcoming subcommittee meetings of a Federal advisory committee of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC). The meetings will be open to the public via dial-in access only.

*Name of Committees:* HIT Standards Committee's Workgroups: Clinical Operations Vocabulary, Clinical Quality, Implementation, and Privacy & Security workgroups.

*General Function of the Committee:* To provide recommendations to the National Coordinator on standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria for the electronic exchange and use of health information for purposes of adoption, consistent with the implementation of the Federal Health IT Strategic Plan, and in accordance with policies developed by the HIT Policy Committee.

*Date and Time:* The HIT Standards Committee Workgroups will hold the following public meetings during May 2010: May 4th Clinical Operations Workgroup/Vocabulary Task Force, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m./ET; May 12th Clinical Operations Workgroup/Vocabulary Task Force, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m./ET; May 14th Privacy & Security Workgroup, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m./ET (dial in only); May 21st Clinical Quality Workgroup, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m./ET; and May 25th Clinical Operations Workgroup/Vocabulary Task Force, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m./ET.

*Location:* All workgroup meetings will be available via webcast; visit <http://healthit.hhs.gov> for instructions on how to listen via telephone or Web. Please check the ONC Web site for additional information as it becomes available.

*Contact Person:* Judy Sparrow, Office of the National Coordinator, HHS, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20201, 202-205-4528, Fax: 202-690-6079, e-mail: [judy.sparrow@hhs.gov](mailto:judy.sparrow@hhs.gov) Please call the contact person for up-to-date information on these meetings. A notice in the **Federal Register** about last minute modifications that affect a previously announced advisory committee

meeting cannot always be published quickly enough to provide timely notice.

*Agenda:* The workgroups will be discussing issues related to their specific subject matter, e.g., clinical operations vocabulary standards, clinical quality measure, implementation opportunities and challenges, and privacy and security standards activities. If background materials are associated with the workgroup meetings, they will be posted on ONC's Web site prior to the meeting at <http://healthit.hhs.gov>.

*Procedure:* Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the workgroups. Written submissions may be made to the contact person on or before two days prior to the workgroups' meeting date. Oral comments from the public will be scheduled at the conclusion of each workgroup meeting. Time allotted for each presentation will be limited to three minutes. If the number of speakers requesting to comment is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public session, ONC will take written comments after the meeting until close of business on that day.

If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Judy Sparrow at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

ONC is committed to the orderly conduct of its advisory committee meetings. Please visit our Web site at <http://healthit.hhs.gov> for procedures on public conduct during advisory committee meetings.

Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App. 2).

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**Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology**

**HIT Policy Committee Advisory Meeting; Notice of Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of a public advisory committee of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC). The meeting will be open to the public.

*Name of Committee:* HIT Policy Committee.

*General Function of the Committee:* to provide recommendations to the National

Coordinator on a policy framework for the development and adoption of a nationwide health information technology infrastructure that permits the electronic exchange and use of health information as is consistent with the Federal Health IT Strategic Plan and that includes recommendations on the areas in which standards, implementation specifications, and certification criteria are needed.

*Date and Time:* The meeting will be held on May 19, 2010, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m./ Eastern Time.

*Location:* TBD. Please check ONC Web site for information on location.

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[judy.sparrow@hhs.gov](mailto:judy.sparrow@hhs.gov). Please call the contact person for up-to-date information on this meeting. A notice in the **Federal Register** about last minute modifications that impact a previously announced advisory committee meeting cannot always be published quickly enough to provide timely notice.

*Agenda:* The committee will hear reports from its workgroups, including the Meaningful Use Workgroup, the Certification/Adoption Workgroup, the NHIN Workgroup, the Privacy & Security Policy Workgroup, and the Strategic Plan Workgroup. ONC intends to make background material available to the public no later than two (2) business days prior to the meeting. If ONC is unable to post the background material on its Web site prior to the meeting, it will be made publicly available at the location of the advisory committee meeting, and the background material will be posted on ONC's Web site after the meeting, at <http://healthit.hhs.gov>

*Procedure:* Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the committee. Written submissions may be made to the contact person on or before May 13, 2010. Oral comments from the public will be scheduled between approximately 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Time allotted for each presentation is limited to three minutes. If the number of speakers requesting to comment is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public hearing session, ONC will take written comments after the meeting until close of business.

Persons attending ONC's advisory committee meetings are advised that the agency is not responsible for providing access to electrical outlets.

ONC welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings. Seating is limited at the location, and ONC will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Judy Sparrow at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

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