Health Information Security & Privacy
C O L L A B O R A T I O N

Adoption of Standard Policies for Authentication and Audit Collaborative

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Challenge Addressed

One of the major challenges identified during the first phase of HISPC was that organizations were hesitant to electronically exchange health information with each other because of mistrust due to the variation in their privacy and security policies. The Adoption of Standard Policies for Authentication and Audit Collaborative was formed to develop an approach and process to identify and reconcile the variation in how organizational security policies are implemented across different electronic health information exchange models.

Approach Developed

To reach their goal, states in this collaborative are developing and testing a common set of model policy requirements for authentication and audit to bridge the policy gap between different electronic health information exchange models (e.g., variants of public and private federated, hybrid, and health record banking). By modeling American Health Information Community (AHIC) use cases across each state's unique business models to represent various data exchange scenarios, the collaborative is working to uncover commonalities in the authentication and audit policies required by each health information exchange model. This crosscutting analysis will provide a basis for both private organizations and public agencies within these states to negotiate with one another to determine a common set of minimum policy requirements. Through their work, the Adoption of Standard Policies for Authentication and Audit Collaborative plans to demonstrate that common policies can promote trust and facilitate secure electronic health information exchange between differing health information exchange models.

Target Audience

- Boards and members of health information organizations
- Health policy professionals
- Standards development organizations

Expected Final Deliverables

- Recommended basic policy requirements for authentication and audit

- Implementation guide for the adoption of basic policy requirements for authentication and audit