Health Care PKI Working Group
November 26, 2001

The meeting opened with review and approval of the minutes of the October 23 meeting. These minutes are posted on the Federal PKI Steering Committee web site (http://www.cio.gov/fpkisc) under the Working Group: Health Care.

Next was an update on the status of the three Health Care pilot projects that have been approved for funding and are proceeding. The status is as follows:

♦ SSA & VA – Secure Exchange of Medical Evidence – The final report for Phase I is nearing completion; it is expected to be finalized in December. Phase I is a success, it improved and speeded the business process between SSA and VA. The report includes metrics. Plans are being developed for Phase II. The plans are also expected to be finalized in December.

♦ Western Governor's Association (WGA) - Health Passport – A project planning meeting for Phase II, involving WGA, Scripps Health, State of California, GSA and HHS was held on November 6 and 7 in San Diego, CA; the meeting was hosted by Scripps Health. Phase I in Nevada, North Dakota and Wyoming involved only data being carried on the Health Passport card. Phase II, which will be in Southern California, will add centralized data. GSA, using the funds approved for the Health Care pilot is contracting to develop: Requirements and Specifications, Security Architecture and Conceptual Operations. It is expected that these products will be completed in March 2002.

♦ NIH – Educause – Higher Education Electronic Grant Application Process Utilizing the Federal Bridge Certification Authority and the Higher Education Bridge Certification Authority – This is a two stage pilot. Mitretek is involved in creating the Higher Education Bridge, which closely mirrors the Federal Bridge. It involves the University of Alabama (Birmingham), University of Wisconsin (Madison) and University of California (Berkley). Results were presented at the Educause conference on October 29. All parts are operational. The modified CAM (developed by Mitretek) works with the ACES CAM and the Federal Bridge. DAVE (a validation engine) is also working. A functional proof of concept test is planned for November 28 involving the University of Alabama, the Higher Education Bridge, the Federal Bridge and HHS/NIH.

Next, David Temoshok of GSA discussed the status of the two E-GOV initiatives, which impact Health Care PKI. They are:

♦ E-Authentication – This project will establish a core Federal PKI Infrastructure with which federal employees and the federal community would interoperate. GSA is the lead agency for this initiative.

♦ Consolidated Health Informatics – This project will promote and coordinate the development of standards for electronic medical records and access through patient identification cards. It seeks to integrate two projects focused on these areas. They are: Government Computer-based Patient Record System (GCPR), and Health Passport Project (HPP). HHS/CMS is the lead agency for this initiative.

Both initiatives are currently working with OMB to finalize the plans and budget for these efforts. Each has submitted their Form 300B and is awaiting OMB feedback. It is expected that this will be complete in mid-December.

From the October 30, 2001 Health Care PKI Conference, a list of twelve action items was developed. The primary effort of the meeting was developing a response and responsibilities for each item. A list of the items and the result is attached to these meeting minutes. Concerning this, it was noted that as a part of the GCPR efforts VA has reviewed the ASTM's Certificate Policy (CP).

It was agreed that the Federal PKI Steering committee should have a consolidated calendar of meetings and other events involving the committee and the working groups. This will avoid conflicts where different working groups schedule meetings for the same date and time. George Fortwengler of HHS and Brant Petrick of the FPKISC will work on this.

For the next meeting it was agreed that Justice/DEA would provide an update on their efforts and HHS/IHS and VA would provide an update on the GCPR.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January22, 2002 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the HHH Building, the room will be identified later. There will not be a December meeting. The February meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2002 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at HHS/CMS in Baltimore, the room will be identified later.

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