

Health Care PKI Working Group

November 26, 2002

The meeting opened with review and approval of the minutes of the October 22 meeting. These minutes are posted on the Federal PKI Steering Committee web site (<http://www.cio.gov/fpkisc>) under the Working Group: Health Care.

Andrew McFaul of Justice/DEA and Steve Bruck of PEC gave a presentation:

DEA Electronic Commerce Initiatives – Project Update

DEA has continued to make progress on its two “Key” Electronic Commerce Initiatives

- ◆ Electronic Prescriptions for Controlled Substances (EPCS), and
- ◆ Controlled Substance Ordering System (CSOS).

EPCS is beginning a pilot project with the Department of Veterans Affairs at the Hines Hospital in Chicago where the DEA credentials will be used for prescribing controlled substances.

CSOS is beginning a pilot with the Healthcare Distribution Management Association (HDMA) and National Association of Chain Drug Stores (NACDS), including pharmaceutical manufacturers and vendors.

The presentation was very interesting and generated many questions and discussions, which led to lower levels of details.

Due to the time allotted to the DEA presentation and discussion, the meeting ran beyond its scheduled ending time. It was agreed that the status of the Health Care PKI Pilots would be deferred until the next meeting.

The next regular Health Care PKI Working Group meeting will be held either in January or February.

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