



WVHIN Consumer/Employer/Privacy Committee Report January 2008

Under the direction of the Committee Chair, John Wiesendanger, members of the Consumer/Employer/Privacy Committee met for the fourth time on January 16, 2008.

- Tom Susman of TSG Consulting presented the brochures and posters that were created as part of the HISPC Extension Contract for the Committee's review and acceptance. The brochures are located on the WVMI website at www.wvmi.org.
- Patty Ruddick, WVMI, discussed the next phase of HISPC which involves working collaboratively with seven other states on the Consumer/Education Collaborative. The next phase of HISPC will work with the seven states to put together a "tool box" of information for any state to use as they begin working with Consumers on HIE/EHR initiatives. WV will also work to implement the Consumer message and media campaign started in the HISPC Extension period.
- Jim Thomas, attorney for Jackson Kelly, presented the third in a series of five privacy principle presentations. The third principle of "Minimum Necessary/Limited Use Principles In An EHR System," was outlined by Mr. Thomas. The Committee discussed three major policy considerations that need to be addressed with this principle and will make recommendations to the WVHIN. A matrix of the recommendations is being put together by Terri Barrett, WVHCA, and will include all of the five principles that will need to be considered for the network.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2008. The Committee plans to review the next Privacy and Security Principle as well as review the next HISPC 3 activities.

John Wiesendanger, Chair /s/
Consumer/Employer/Privacy Committee
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