

Minnesota e-Health AI Work Group Meeting

January 26, 2026

Land Acknowledgement

Every community owes its existence and vitality to generations from around the world who contributed their hopes, dreams, and energy to making the history that led to this moment. Some were brought here against their will, some were drawn to leave their distant homes in hope of a better life, and some have lived on this land for more generations than can be counted. Truth and acknowledgment are critical to building mutual respect and connection across all barriers of heritage and difference.

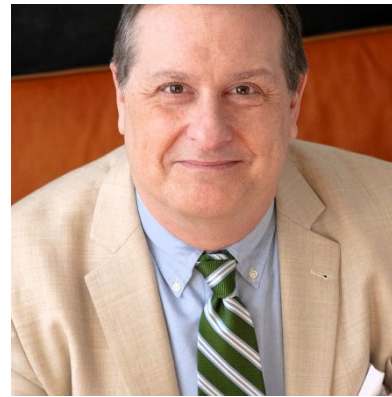
We begin this effort to acknowledge what has been buried by honoring the truth. We are standing on the ancestral lands of the Dakota people. We want to acknowledge the Dakota, the Ojibwe, the Ho Chunk, and the other nations of people who also called this place home. We pay respects to their elders past and present. Please take a moment to consider the treaties made by the Tribal nations that entitle non-Native people to live and work on traditional Native lands. Consider the many legacies of violence, displacement, migration, and settlement that bring us together here today. Please join us in uncovering such truths at any and all public events.*

*This is the acknowledgment given in the USDAC Honor Native Land Guide – edited to reflect this space by Shannon Geshick, MTAG, Executive Director Minnesota Indian Affairs Council

Co-chair introductions



Genevieve Melton-Meaux
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Adam Stone
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- The meeting will be recorded for notetaking purposes
- Cameras can be turned off to preserve bandwidth
- Please mute your microphone when not speaking
- Feel free to use the chat to share content, comments, questions and/or share thoughts, comments via the post-meeting survey @ <https://forms.office.com/g/w8EKGm4s0j>
- If you're experiencing technical problems, use chat or email sarah.shaw@state.mn.us or bilqis.amatussalaam@state.mn.us

Work Group ground rules

1. We will **start and end meetings on time** and follow the agenda.
2. We **raise hands to speak**, introduce ourselves, and focus comments on topic at hand.
3. We will **engage all members**, which may mean limiting the length or frequency of some members comments.
4. We will **stay focused** on achieving the key activities and deliverables as laid out in the work group charge.
5. We maximize our time by coming to meetings **prepared**, contributing to meeting agenda, and minimizing distractions.
6. We will **share knowledge** with each other and clarify misunderstandings.

Agenda

11:00 – 11:10 a.m.	Welcome and agenda
11:10 – 11:45 a.m.	AI Primer
11:45 – 12:10 p.m.	Coalition for Health AI (CHAI)
12:10 – 12:35 p.m.	Transparent Artificial Intelligence Governance Alliance (TAIGA)
12:35 – 12:50 p.m.	HTI-5 Coordinated Response & AI RFI
12:50 – 1:00 p.m.	Connecting to deliverables & next steps

AI Work Group deliverables

- Engage with and share current and planned AI use by some partners in the Minnesota care continuum.
- A curated list of essential AI resources for the care continuum and to support the work of the Minnesota e-Health Initiative.
- High-level plan for how the Minnesota e-Health Initiative can engage, learn, and act with key AI-related collaborations, partners, and activities and ongoing monitoring of AI use.
- Outline of key recommendations, guidance, tools and use cases for adopting an AI framework for the care continuum in Minnesota.

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- A separate PDF of this presentation is available at [Minnesota e-Health Initiative Work Groups](#)

Coalition for Health AI (CHAI)

- Lucy Orr-Ewing (lucy@chai.org)
- CHAI Transparency report at [CHAI Transparency Report.pdf](#)
- A separate PDF of this presentation is available at [Minnesota e-Health Initiative Work Groups](#)

Transparent Artificial Intelligence Governance Alliance (TAIGA)

- Andrew Will-Holmberg (andrew.will-holmberg@state.mn.us)
- [Transparent Artificial Intelligence Governance Alliance / Minnesota IT Services](#)
- There were no slides with this presentation. The AI Risk Flow is at [Minnesota e-Health Initiative Work Groups](#)

HTI-5 Coordinated Response & AI RFI

Kari Guida

Feedback opportunity

- The Minnesota e-Health Initiative provides feedback on state and federal definitions, criteria, standards, and/or proposed regulations relating to e-health.
- Feedback is collected through a coordinated response that engages the Initiative, work groups and public.
- Stakeholders can provide feedback during meetings or as written feedback.
- Submitted on behalf of the Initiative.
 - You can also submit your own response as well.

Brief overview of the HTI-5 Proposed Rule

- The Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy/Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ASTP/ONC) released the Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: ASTP/ONC Deregulatory Actions to Unleash Prosperity (HTI-5) Proposed Rule for a 60-day comment period.
- HTI-5 seeks to:
 - Reduce burden on health IT developers by streamlining the ONC Health IT Certification Program (Certification Program) by removing redundant requirements.
 - Update the information blocking regulations to better promote electronic health information access, exchange, and use so that patients' access to their data is not blocked.
 - Advance a new foundation of AI-enabled interoperability solutions through modernized standards and certification.

Questions and considerations for your review

(1 of 2)

- Minnesota e-Health Initiative's [vision, mission, and guiding principles](#)
 - Vision: *All communities and individuals benefit from and are empowered by information and technology that advances health equity and supports health and wellbeing.*
- Areas of interest for the Initiative:
 - Artificial intelligence
 - Health information exchange
 - Transitions of care and care coordination
 - Health equity
 - Health-related social needs and social referral services
 - Patient data privacy and consent

Questions and considerations for your review

(2 of 2)

- Will the proposed activities achieve its goals?
 - Better promote the health and wellbeing of patients, particularly in relation to chronic disease
 - Streamline and reduce administrative burden on providers, health IT developers
 - Improve patient and provider access to electronic health information (EHI)
 - Support providers in being able to have more choices in health IT tools
 - Support developers in creating health IT tools that better meet provider needs

AI key areas: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly

Headings	Pages	Details
Background	60971-60972	Allow more creative artificial intelligence (AI)-enabled interoperability solutions that combine FHIR with newer standards to emerge.
Decision Support Interventions	60973, 60986-60987	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remove AI “model card” requirements• Implement E.O. 14179 Removing Barriers to American Leadership in AI• Revoke E.O. 14091 on Further Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government• Revoke E.O. 14110 on Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of AI• Implement E.O. Initial Rescission of Harmful Executive Orders
Access and Use Definitions	61005-61006	Add language to access and use definitions to clarify that access, exchange, or use of EHI, includes means as robotic process automation (commonly referenced as “RPA” or “bots”) and autonomous artificial intelligence systems (commonly referenced in the field as “agentic AI”). Note: has implications for information blocking

Coordinated response

- Timeline

- January 16: Comment form available
- February 13: All feedback due
- February 16-20: Compile and review
- February 26: Submit (comments due February 27)

- Tools Available

- Microsoft Form to submit feedback (page numbers for respective questions included)
- ASTP/ONC fact sheet, chart, recorded information session on HTI-5 Proposed Rule webpage: [Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: ASTP/ONC Deregulatory Actions to Unleash Prosperity \(HTI-5\) Proposed Rule | HealthIT.gov](#)
- [Minnesota e-Health Coordinated Responses](#)
- mn.ehealth@state.mn.us

- Ask
 - Engage and encourage others to participate
- Reminders
 - You don't have to answer every question
 - You can ask questions
 - The coordinated response does not require consensus
 - Leverage previous work (yours, ours, or others)

Request for Information: Accelerating the Adoption and Use of Artificial Intelligence as Part of Clinical Care

- [Federal Register :: Request for Information: Accelerating the Adoption and Use of Artificial Intelligence as Part of Clinical Care](#)
- Due February 23, 2026
- The MN e-Health Initiative is **not** doing a coordinated response but encourage others to submit a response and email response to kari.guida@state.mn.us.

Connecting to Deliverables & Next Steps

AI Work Group deliverables & next steps

Deliverables

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Work Group Participants Next Steps/Homework

- Share potential future presentations, email kari.gudia@state.mn.us
- Submit 3-5 key AI resources to <https://forms.office.com/g/yxSaCze9M4>
- Volunteer to help curate the list of key AI resources, email kari.guida@state.mn.us
- Submit feedback to MDH for HTI-5 Coordinated Response at [Minnesota e-Health Coordinated Responses](#)
- Respond to [AI RFI](#) and send copy of response to kari.guida@state.mn.us

Closing and Reminders

- Make sure future meetings on calendar: [Minnesota e-Health Initiative Work Groups](#)
- If you are not receiving emails/not a participant, please join us by emailing kari.guida@state.mn.us
- Sign-up for MN e-Health Updates at [Minnesota e-Health Updates](#)

Upcoming AI Work Group meetings

- AI Work Group meetings
 - February 23 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - March 23 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - April 27 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - June 8 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Additional upcoming meetings

- Bridging Care and Information Work Group
 - February 27 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- MN e-Health Advisory Committee Meetings
 - March 19 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Thank You!