WHAT I KNOW ABOUT WHAT I KNOW

Alabama's HIE Plan

HOW WE GOT TO THIS POINT . . .

- Transformation Grant Funding

- Stakeholder Council

- Together for Quality
  - Q4U
  - Qx
  - QTool – EHR lite

- ARRA/HITECH

- Time for QTool to Grow

- Summit/Concept Paper
  - Leadership
  - Trust
  - Buy-in
  - Funding
  - Vision

ALABAMA'S HIE VISION

One Patient – One Record

- Shared information / Support for independent HIE across providers, agencies and states
- All the right people at the table
- Data-driven performance measurement / quality improvement initiatives

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY

- Medicaid and Medicare Incentive program $44.7   Billion

- National Telecommunications $ 4.7   Billion

- Distance Learning, Telemedicine, & Broadband $ 2.5   Billion

- Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) $ 2.0   Billion
  - State level HIE planning and development
  - Regional Centers for EHR support

- Health Centers construction and equipment $ 1.5   Billion

- Comparative Effectiveness Research $ 1.1   Billion

- Social Security Administration $500.0 Million

- Indian Health Services for Telehealth $ 85.0 Million

- Veterans Benefits Administration $ 50.0 Million

WHAT I KNOW ABOUT THE MONEY

- CMS 90/10 Money
  - Meaningful Use
  - State Responsible
  - Leeway in the Measures, esp. Peds
  - Certified System???
  - Coordinate with Other States (regionally)
  - Nobody Really Knows

- Training/Education Focus

- Broadband
  - 130 Applications
  - 2nd Round of Funding

- ONC Monies
  - Infrastructure
  - Planning and Systems
  - Subgrants
  - Matching Requirements

- Regional Extension Centers

HIE COMMISSION

- Appointed by the Governor

- Decision Makers

- Interim Governance Structure

- Medical Association
- Hospital Representative
- Alabama Academy of Pediatrics
- Alabama Academy of Family Physicians
- Pharmacy Representative
- Long-Term Care Industry
- Primary Health Care Center
- Governor's Office
- Alabama Department of Public Health
- Alabama Information Systems
- Alabama Department of Mental Health
- Alabama Department of Human Resources
- Alabama Department of Senior Services
- Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services
- HIE Regional Extension Centers
- Private Health Plan Payer
- State Board of Health
- Physician Privacy Rep
- ProAssurance
- Alabama Medicaid Agency, Chair

WORKGROUPS. . .

Who They Are . . .

Governance

Finance

Technical Infrastructure

Business and Technical Operations

Legal/Policy

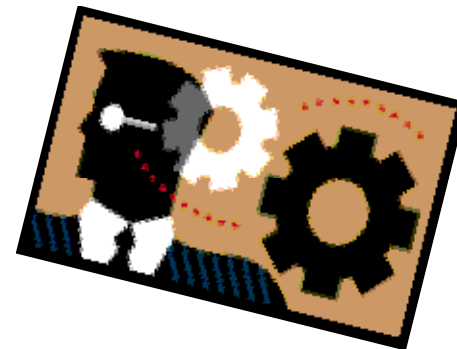Marketing/Communications

How to Participate . . .

Commission Appointed Members

Previous Interest

Appointment by Expertise

Sign-up Via WebSite/Email

WHAT IS HAPPENING . . .

- ONC Cooperative Agreement
  - Awarded February
  - Planning to Plan for the Statewide Exchange
    - Consultant to Write the Requisite Plans
    - Establishment of an HIT Office
    - Defining Specs
    - Defining Players
    - Defining Data Elements

MORE HAPPENINGS . . .

- CMS 90/10 Planning Money

  - IAPD To Get Money is Approved

  - Developing a SMHP

  - Year One: Adoption, Implement, Upgrade to Support Meaningful Use

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT MU (MEDICAID)
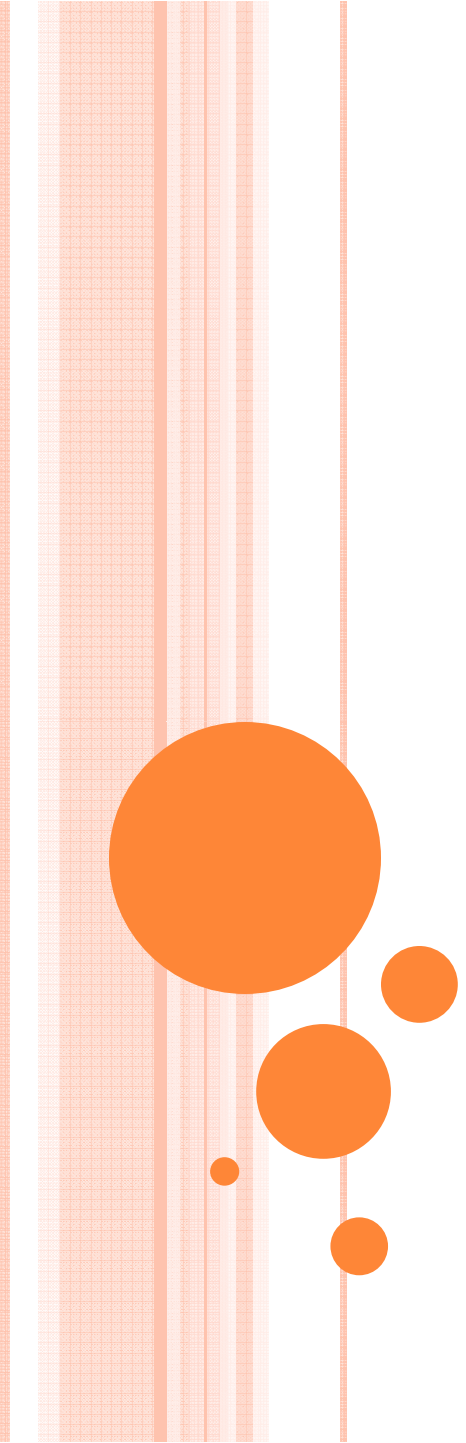
- Eligible Providers
  - Physicians (30%)
    - Peds (20%)
  - Dentists (30%)
  - CNM (30%)
  - PAs (FQHCs) (30%)
  - NP (30%)
  - Acute Care Hosp (10%)
  - Children's Hosp (0%)

- 30% Needy Volume

- Payment Scale
  - Up to 2021
  - Not Consecutive

- Year One: Adopt, Implement, Upgrade
  = $21,250

- Year Two and Beyond: Measure Driven
  = $8,500

WHAT WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT MU

- The Meaning of Meaningful Use?
  - 30% Threshold

  - Timing of Payments

  - The Logistics of Payments

  - The Actual Measures

What We Don't Know about What We Don't Know

REALITY CHECKS . . .

- Lot of money for some things, but not others
- Huge expectations for states
- Balance HIE with competing priorities
- Timeframes
  - Funding Restrictions
  - Meeting Meaningful Use
- Planning Based on Unknowns
- Basic Education
  - Staff   Providers   Stakeholders

WHAT KEEPS US UP AT NIGHT

- Education
- Health Reform
- Local vs State vs National
- Misinformation being disseminated
- Significant vendor "assistance"

Regardless...

Timeline . . .

- May 1st: ONC Strategic Plan Submitted
- 60 Days After Approval: Implementation Plan
- June 23rd: State Medicaid Health IT Plan
- June 14th: HIE Infrastructure ITB Released
- July 1, 2010: MU Provider Registration☺
- October 1, 2010: Capture MU Requirements☺
- March 1, 2011: Beta Testing of HIE System
- July 1, 2011: HIE Fully Operational
- July 1, 2011: MU System Implemented

IN CLOSING . . .

- Medicaid Is Leading (With A Lot of Help from our Friends)
- Funding from ONC
- Approval from CMS
- Exchange/Meaningful Use
- No Single Starting Point
  - And lots of overlap
- You Need to Be Engaged
  - To Be Part of The Solution