



To: Rural Committee

From: Andie Martinez, Associate Director of Policy

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Re: CTN Update

MEMORANDUM

Recap on latest California Telehealth Network Activities

- CPCA retains an official seat on the Interim Advisory Board Meeting (see tables and board member list attached).
- Jonah Frohlich, Deputy Secretary of HIT at CHHS, participates consistently which assists in general HIT infrastructure coordination at the state level.
- CHCF commissioned an evaluation of the potential of the CTN to operate as a network for broader health information exchange in rural and urban regions of the state. The consultants determined the CTN should not be utilized for HIE. To view the report and supporting documents visit: <http://www.chcf.org/topics/view.cfm?itemID=134117>.
- CTN will soon be hiring an Operations Manager.
- Interviews for the Interim Executive Director for the CTN were held late December and early January.
- CTN Interim Advisory Board will have an all-day in-person visioning session in February to determine what the CTN should look like.
- CTN has still not heard back on whether they will receive an NTIA grant from the federal stimulus funding. Not expected to hear until early 2010.
- Once the CTN begins build out, sequencing of sites will be dependent on site agreements being returned to the CTN staff and negotiations between sites and CTN.