

# TEXAS HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORITY

*Board of Directors Meeting*

*Friday, May 14, 2021*

*10:00 AM Central Time*

*Virtual Meeting:*

- <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9305720817>
- Phone number: 1-312-626-6799
- Meeting ID: 930-572-0817



## MEETING AGENDA

Time	Item
<b>I. Introduction</b>	
10:00 AM	A. Call to order, welcome, introductions, and announcements
<b>II. Presentations, Reports and Updates</b>	
10:05 AM – 10:20 AM	A. Regular board business <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Consideration of minutes of the April 2, 2021 board meeting – <b>ACTION ITEM</b></li><li>ii. Consideration of FY 2021 Q2 financial statements – <b>ACTION ITEM</b></li></ul>

## MEETING AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Time	Item
<b>III. Update and Consideration of THSA's Projects and Programs</b>	
10:20 AM – 10:45 AM	A. Health Information Exchange Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Update on current status of HIETexas EDEN</li><li>ii. Update on current status of HIETexas PULSE</li><li>iii. Update on current status of STAR HIE Cooperative Agreement – SANER Project</li></ul>
10:45 AM – 10:55 AM	B. Privacy and Security Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Update on SECURETexas: Health Information Privacy and Security Certification</li></ul>
10:55 AM – 11:00 AM	C. Update on THSA Collaboration Council

## MEETING AGENDA (CONTINUED)

Time	Item
<b>IV. Information Items</b>	
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM	A. Future Meeting Schedule B. Future Agenda Items
<b>IV. Public Comment</b>	
11:15 AM – 11:30 AM	A. Public Comment
<b>VI. Adjourn</b>	



# Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions, and Announcements



# Presentations, Reports and Updates

## Regular Board Business

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### CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2021 BOARD MEETING – ACTION ITEM

- The April 2, 2021 board meeting minutes are available for review as **Attachment No. 1 (PDF page 002)** in your attachments document.
- **Action Item:** Does the board vote to approve the board meeting minutes as laid out before the board?

## REGULAR BOARD BUSINESS

### CONSIDERATION OF FY 2021 Q2 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – ACTION ITEM

- The THSA's FY 2021 Q2 financial statements are available for review as **Attachment No. 2 (PDF page 006)** in your attachments document.
- **Action Item:** Does the board vote to approve the financial statements as laid out before the board?





# Update and Consideration of THSA's Projects and Programs

## Current Status of HIETexas EDEN

**UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**  
**CURRENT STATUS OF HIETexas EDEN**

HIETexas Service	Status
Emergency Department Encounter Notification (EDEN)	Fully operational
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Current status:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successfully completed connectivity of local HIE data sources for March 31, 2021 deadline</li> <li>• Successfully developed process for reporting on CMS CoP compliance</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Next steps:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop processes for adherence to CHIRP (Comprehensive Hospital Increased Reimbursement Program) measures relating to HIE/EDEN:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C1-101 (HIE Participation), and C2-117/118 (EDEN Participation)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



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## Current Status of HIETexas PULSE

## UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### CURRENT STATUS OF HIETexas PULSE

HIETexas Service	Status
Patient Unified Lookup System for Emergencies (PULSE)	Nominal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Current status:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Live and available for immediate use during declared disasters</li><li>• New version upgrade built in early 2021, and deployed/accepted in April 2021</li></ul></li><li>• <b>Next steps:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gathering requirements for next version upgrade</li><li>• Working with HIETexas PULSE vendor, Audacious Inquiry, to roadmap, build, and deploy new version</li></ul></li></ul>	

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### CURRENT STATUS OF HIETexas PULSE

- HIETexas PULSE demonstration, training and live (virtual) drill conducted with Texas disaster response shelter contractor
- HIETexas PULSE was presented at Texas Regional HIMSS 2021 May 6<sup>th</sup>
- Conducted an in-house usability lab exercise to focus on ease-of-use, which is especially important for those operating the system during a disaster
- The most recent updates to HIETexas PULSE added these highly-requested features:
  - **Delegated administration:** easier and faster field management
  - **Clinical content visualization enhancements:** allows field clinical staff to see the most critical information more quickly
  - **Clinical notes display:** allows viewing of information expressed in narrative notes
  - **PDF view:** allows viewing of EKG traces, digitized documents, and other non-structured information



# Update and Consideration of THSA's Projects and Programs

## Current Status of STAR HIE Program – SANER Project

## UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### CURRENT STATUS OF STAR HIE PROGRAM – SANER PROJECT

HIETexas Service	Status
STAR HIE Program – Situational Awareness for Novel Epidemic Response (SANER) Project	PILOT

- **Current status:**
  - Released an RFP for FHIR-based Application Software Development Services
  - Searching for a pilot hospital
  - Working with DSHS/ONC/other HIEs on path forward regarding supplemental award and vaccination data
- **Next steps:**
  - Complete RFP; select vendor
  - Find pilot hospital, and continue implementation

## UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### CURRENT STATUS OF STAR HIE PROGRAM – SANER PROJECT

There are two components of the STAR HIE Program as it relates to THSA:

Underlying award	Supplemental award
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarded to THSA (with sub-awards to Ai and HASA) in <b>September 2020</b></li> <li><b>Two-year</b> cooperative agreement</li> <li>Relates to exchange of <b>situational awareness data</b></li> <li>Have signed MOU with DSHS and Dallas County</li> <li>THSA <b>plays active part</b> in data exchange</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarded to THSA (with sub-awards to Ai and HASA) in <b>January 2021</b></li> <li><b>One-year</b> cooperative agreement</li> <li>Relates to exchange of <b>vaccination data</b></li> <li>Need MOU with DSHS</li> <li>THSA acts only as <b>fiscal agent</b>; all data exchange activities would take place between HASA, Ai and DSHS</li> </ul>



## UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### CURRENT STATUS OF STAR HIE PROGRAM – SANER PROJECT

#### Problem Statement – Underlying Award

- The process by which hospitals transmit capacity (e.g., space, staff, supplies) and capability (e.g., available specialty care) data to public health authorities and emergency response personnel **lacks a standard data language** and common framework for exchange.
- This can lead to an **incomplete understanding** of a given region's acute care capacity and capability.
- The current data submission process can be **time/resource intensive** for hospital staff.

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### CURRENT STATUS OF STAR HIE PROGRAM – SANER PROJECT

#### Vision Statement – Underlying Award

- Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) can be used as a **common standard for hospitals** and health systems to share select information.
- Data can be **extracted automatically** and in **real-time** from underlying data systems at both the hospital and regional HIE level.
- Data can then be **leveraged by multiple local, state and federal agencies** for dashboards, reports and analytics.

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### CURRENT STATUS OF STAR HIE PROGRAM – SANER PROJECT

#### Immunization Data – Supplemental Award

- The STAR HIE Cooperative Agreement recently expanded to **“improve COVID-19 vaccination data by connecting immunization information systems (IISs) to Health Information Exchanges (HIEs).** The funding seeks to better align HIEs with public health and leverage the extensive amount of clinical data held by HIEs to support enhanced knowledge sharing around the COVID-19 vaccinations.”
- “Services or functionalities will be deployed to enable, enhance or increase the use of health information exchange among relevant entities, including providers who care for vulnerable or at-risk populations. Such services and functions will need to address communities disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, including as it relates to the stratifying factors of age, race, ethnicity and sex.



# Update and Consideration of THSA's Projects and Programs

## Current Status of SECURETexas Certification

## UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

### CURRENT STATUS OF SECURETexas CERTIFICATION

- The THSA offers a voluntary privacy and security certification program, known as “SECURETexas Certification,” that measures a Texas covered entity’s past compliance with state and federal medical privacy and security law.
- If a covered entity possesses SECURETexas Certification at the time of an alleged violation of the Texas Medical Records Privacy Act, the covered entity may present the certification as evidence to be taken into consideration as a mitigating factor in developing administrative or civil monetary penalties.
- Staff currently monitoring any legislation that may affect SECURETexas Certification.



# Update and Consideration of THSA's Projects and Programs

## THSA Collaboration Council

**UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF THSA'S PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**  
**UPDATE ON THSA COLLABORATION COUNCIL**

- The THSA Collaboration Council conducted their last meeting on April 6, 2021.
- The meeting materials are available for review as **Attachment No. 3 (PDF page 010)** in your attachments document.
- The Council will meet next on July 6, 2021.



# Future Meeting Schedule



## FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	Hearing
Friday, August 20, 2021	Administrative hearing
Friday, November 5, 2021	Administrative hearing



# Future Agenda Items?



# Public Comment



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