

INFORMATION SYSTEMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Teleconference
April 26, 2000
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Committee members participating:

Keith Longie, Co-Chair, IHS, Phoenix
Bob Beneke, Sup. Computer Spec., Aberdeen Area
Dan Cameron, Oklahoma Area
Richard Church, CIO, IHS Headquarters East
Keith Crieglow, Chief, Technical Ops, ANTHC
Floyd Dennis, IHS, Nashville Area
Molin Malicay, Sonoma County Indian Health
Russ Pittman, Dir. of ITSC, IHS Albuquerque Area
Irlinda, Cheryl, Julie
Greg Longie, Director, Informations Systems, Gila
River Health Care Corp. (for Dr. Dianne Montella)
Paul Fardig (sitting in for Chris Kinny)

Committee members absent:

Don Kashevaroff, Co-Chair, Seldovia Village Tribe
Susie John, IHS, Tuba City
Carolyn Johnson, HIS, IHS, Warm Springs
E. Crispin Kinney, IHS Headquarters East
Dawn McCusker, Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council
Jim Roberts, National Indian Health Board
Jerry Shanks, IHS, Claremore
Ron Wood, Executive Officer, IHS, Navajo Area
Jaloo Zelonis, Nurse Consultant, IHS, National
Clinical Councils

The teleconference was called to order at 11:04 a.m.

UPDATE – RUSS PITTMAN

Russ Pittman gave an update on action items from the March 22 meeting:

1. FY 2000 RPMS monies—a notice was distributed to all ISCs regarding the distribution of the telecommunications money. So far, few responses have been received. Of the \$2 million, \$241,000 is for VPNs (infrastructure) and firewall equipment. Brief discussion of fund allocation. Noted that funding requests for immediate needs must be received by mid-May.
2. PSG list—the list was distributed and includes current PSGs and ones not in existence anymore.

BUDGET

A budget formulation meeting was held on April 26 to develop the needs request for FY 02 funding (the FY 01 budget is known). The meeting will focus on calculating the IT infrastructure (five percent of the budget will be recurring). The budget is \$2.5 billion and the amount for IT resources may be increased to be comparable with the private industry and other government sector programs. The budget formulation team discussed funding allocation, budget detail and amounts, and terminology.

NEW ISAC MEMBERS

There are several new ISAC committee members, with no official word received yet from the Office of the Director. Some of the new members include Dr. Dianne Montella, Pat Knox-Nicola, Bob Hunt (Midwest Director replacing Seh).

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Information Technology Investment Review Board (ITIRB) will meet in Portland on May 22 prior to the ISAC meeting (May 23-24); the ISAC Co-Chairs are appointed to the ITIRB and will be in attendance. The draft materials for the ITIRB process and membership have been distributed (approved at the last ISAC meeting); updated material will be available the week of May 1. Noted suggestions from the last meeting included: training for rating projects (dental and pharmacy module), review of telecommunications and individual components of RPMS, and the IT architecture.

TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR MAY

The agenda for the ISAC meeting in Portland, May 23-24, 2000, will be distributed the week of May 1. Agenda items will include:

1. Review of the IRM residual issue (information has been submitted to the internal workgroup)
2. HCFA presentation—security read ahead (Y2K) to include HCFA security elements and regulations (Presidential Directive 63).
3. Licensing
4. Master Business Plan format
5. Data Quality—Keith Longie and Dan Cameron will follow-up on.
6. Telemedicine—informational
7. Additions: ITIRP report, budget, and yearly work plan update. The ISC Charter will be presented by **Roland** Tanner (past Chair, ISC)

The meeting will be held in the Portland Federal Building, first floor.

OTHER NEWS

The conference attendees discussed President Clinton's recent visit to Shiprock, New Mexico. During this visit, the White House made contact with several private sector partners with good information received for services and software directed at tribes, tribal organizations, and community colleges. An item of note for IHS urban and tribal organizations is a donation from WebMD--they want to provide free subscriptions to IHS providers (staff are working on a way for this generous gift to move forward). WebMD is going to provide a single kiosk for Shiprock; more information will be shared at the May meeting. Noted that WebMD has been invited to attend the Information Technology and Program Support Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 5-9, 2000, at the Crowne Plaza Pyramid Hotel. The ISAC Co-Chairs will be presenting at this meeting. The IHS website has specific information available. For more information on WebMD, visit their website, www.webmd.com.