

AIRA MONTHLY UPDATE

OCTOBER, 2012

AIRA ELECTION RESULTS

I am pleased to announce the results of our 2012 election. We had a record number of candidates running for positions and a record number of members voting in the election!

OFFICERS

President: Mary Beth Kurilo (OR)

Immediate Past President: Emily Emerson (MN)

*President Elect: Frank Caniglia (PA)

*Secretary: Mandy Harris (NV)

*Treasurer: Therese Hoyle

VOTING DIRECTORS

Deb Warren (KS)

- *Michael Flynn (NY)
- *Jenne McKibben (OR)
- *Beth English (MA)
- *Elaine Lowery

*Paul Schaffer (NYC)

NON-VOTING DIRECTORS Nathan Bunker

Eric Larson

We sincerely appreciate **ALL** of the candidates that were willing to volunteer to serve the organization: Kim Tichy (IA), Lisa McKeown (Philadelphia), Frank Welsh (LA), Mary Woinarowicz (ND), Janel Jorgenson (UT), Carmen Springer (AK), Diana Herrero (CO), Cameron Minich (IN), Karen White (MN), Tammy LeBeau (SD), and Lori Ashford (TX).

MEMBERSHIP DUES



Don't forget AIRA Membership dues are now due! For more information about membership, visit our website.

NOVEMBER AT AIRA

- November 6th 4:00-5:00 p.m. ET: Assessment **Steering Committee**
- November 14th 1:00-2:00 p.m. ET: Standards & Interoperability Steering Committee
- November 15th 4:00-5:00 p.m. ET: MIROW Steering Committee
- November 19th 2:00-3:30 p.m. ET: AIRA Partners and **Board meeting**
- November 21st 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET: Education **Steering Committee**
- November 22nd & 23rd AIRA Offices will be closed for Thanksgiving
- November 26th 3:00-4:00 p.m. ET: AIRA Web Services & Real Time Data **Exchange Workgroup**
- November 27th-30th: **Program Managers** Meeting - Atlanta, GA

^{*}Indicates newly elected

NEW AIRA WEBSITE LAUNCHES

On October 23rd AIRA launched its new website. The new website features easy navigation tabs at the top of the page, a What's Happening section that includes upcoming meetings, a Member Resources section that contains information for committee members, and much, much more. We hope that you will check out the new site at www.immregistries.org.

ASSESSMENT STEERING COMMITTEE



The Assessment Steering Committee will be taking on two new tasks over the next three year period of time. The two topics this group will be tackling are:

- 1. Data Certification: Develop and implement a standard methodology and process for IIS data quality evaluation, and
- 2. Develop a standard methodology for conducting population-based IIS immunization coverage assessments

If you have an interest in either of these two activities, please consider volunteering for the Assessment Steering Committee by responding to this e-mail or contacting Rebecca Coyle. The Assessment Steering Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. ET.

OCTOBER RECAP

Assessment Steering Committee

- The ASC began planning to meet the cooperative agreement goals and objectives which pertain: Develop and Implement Data Quality and Assessment Approaches. The ASC will oversee Assessment Objective 1: Develop and implement a standard methodology and process for IIS data quality evaluation using an objective third party approach. The ASC also agreed to oversee Objective 2: Develop a standard methodology for conducting population-based IIS immunization coverage assessments. As the work for Objective 2 evolves, this committee might phase out involvement if an SME group is phased in.
- Co-Chairs needed: The ASC is looking for new co-chairs with interest in the above objectives. If you are interested in nominating yourself or someone else for this role, please contact <u>Rebecca Coyle</u>.

Standards and Interoperability Steering Committee

• The SISC met on October 10th, 2012. The SISC discussed tables for Application, Facility and Assigning Authority from the HL7 Version 2.5.1 Implementation Guide (IG), release 1.4. The SISC also reviewed NIST test cases for Meaningful Use Stage 2 EHR certification, which can be found at http://lri.sipilotdevelopment.org/mu-immunization/index.xhtml. Finally, the SISC discussed a spreadsheet being developed by the CDC which compares local 2.5.1 IGs to the CDC IG, which will be very useful for improving

implementation guides and documenting differences per jurisdiction. If you are interested in submitting your IG to be included in this comparison, please contact <u>Eric Larson</u>.

Education Steering Committee

• The ESC met on October 17, 2012. The committee members discussed future educational Webinars and plans to offer a Webinar in December, so keep your eyes open for an announcement. The ESC also discussed plans for surveying the community to find out what online training tools each jurisdiction uses. Work on this survey continues, and it is expected that the survey results will be used to build an online training page on the new AIRA website.

MIROW Steering Committee

• The MIROW Steering Committee met on October 18th, 2012. The committee welcomed its newest member, Lisa McKeown from Philadelphia. Committee members discussed progress on the current topic, Data Quality Assurance; discussed progress on the miniguide for the inventory management topic; and began discussing evaluation of the MIROW guides which is planned for next year's MIROW cycle.