

Indiana Immunization Information Systems 90/10 Funding Project

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Indiana IIS-CHIRP

- **Children and Hoosiers Immunization Registry Program (CHIRP)** is Indiana's immunization registry system
- It has been in existence since **2002**
- CHIRP is vendor-based product from STC
- Indiana also uses another product from STC called PHC-Hub for **Interoperability** (submission and querying of immunization info)
- Over **80%** of the data submitted to CHIRP is electronic
- CHIRP/PHC-Hub supports **bidirectional** data exchange of HL-7 messages

CHIRP Data

CHIRP Registry Stats

- Over 15,800 active users!
- 8M patients
- 87M vaccinations

2018 Statistics

- ~2900 new users added
- ~80,000 new patient records
- VXU Messages - 7,439,345
- QBP Messages- Over 12 M
- ~980 new facilities in 2018
- ~790 VFC providers

CHIRP-related legislation

- As of **July 1, 2015**, (Senate Bill 415) Indiana requires mandatory reporting of all administered doses by providers to the state registry for patients **birth to 18** years of age within **7 days** of administration
- All pharmacies are required to report to the state registry all doses administered to all patients.
- Reporting requirements include reporting of the following info either **electronically** or **manually** (through the CHIRP web application).
 - Patient demographic info (name, DOB, gender, race, address etc.)
 - Vaccine level info (vaccine type and date, lot number, vaccine expiration date etc.)

90/10 Project Timelines

- Initial project grant submission to Indiana State Medicaid- **Jan 2016**
- These programs applied for funding
 - **Immunizations**
 - Maternal and Child Health
 - Office of Technology and Compliance
- Indiana Medicaid needed to create the over-arching state IT plan
- ISDH made **multiple** updates to projects in our grant proposal between 2016 and 2018
- ISDH got approval of the 90/10 funding grant application from FSSA in **June 2018**

Immunization Information Services (IIS) 90/10 Grant

| 90/10 Grant Project Cost Overall | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Budget Area | CHIRP |
| Resource Cost | \$923,307.55 |
| Hardware and Software | \$526,887.42 |
| Project Total | \$1,450,194.98 |

Total 90/10 Immunizations Grant approved: ~1.45 M, including the 10% state funds

IIS Grant Details

Funding request included resources, hardware and software.

- **MU Coordinator-** We have a part time MU coordinator. The MU coordinator to work with CHIRP facilities to provide technical assistance, provider education and help with audit review related questions and clarifications on Stage 2 and Stage 3 attestments.
- Review of **onboarding process** and review of existing HL-7 import accounts
- Purchase and implementation of **business intelligence software** to identify, inform and improve the quality of data submitted to the immunization registry.

IIS Grant Details

- **Address validation and GIS mapping:** Integration of Smarty Streets with the IIS DB. Review and update existing patient address info with the IIS.
- **Meaningful Use Training and Outreach:** This project is focused on training and providing outreach to facilities throughout the state. Training and outreach will be delivered through web-based training, topic-driven conference calls, and when needed on-site visits to assist facilities in meeting MU objectives as quickly and easily as possible.

Current Status

- Funding was requested for a period of **18-21** months
- State Medicaid splitting grant this into **7 Quarters**
- ISDH-FSSA **MOU** was reviewed and signed off in Jan 2019.
- ISDH kick started projects related to the 90/10 funding through the 2nd quarter of 2019 (March-June). Since no funding was used for two quarters (June - December 2018), FSSA is requesting CMS to extended the project implementation dates by the same period.
 - Initial project dates: **June 2018 - March 2020**
 - Proposed updated project dates: **March 2019 – Dec. 2020**
- Several projects are in progress

About the 10 Percent Match

- FSSA has indicated that 10% can be a combination of **both** state funds and in-kind funds
- ISDH is looking into use as much in-kind funding as possible
- Having in kind match can affect your project **funding**

Challenges and Lessons Learned

- It took more than two years for our grant to be approved from the time we made our first grant submission
- State Medicaid had requirements that needed to be met from their side to apply for the grant
- Our grant proposal had to be revised several times because some of the projects listed were time sensitive and were either completed or had to be shelved
- Several staffing changes took place during this time

Challenges and Lessons Learned

- Agencies need to be ready to **jump start** their projects **as soon** as they receive word of the funding approval. This will help avoid complications with respect to funding availability and use.
- **Plan well ahead** on how you will come up with the 10% match
- Using in-kind match can affect your overall allocation of funding since you only get 90% from CMS. If part of the 10% is in-kind, then this funding cannot be used to hardware or software purchase.

Future Outlook

- 90/10 is definitely a great opportunity for making a variety improvements to IIS systems that can greatly improve or enhance processes and processes.
- Most of ours projects do not extend beyond 18 months.
- For those that require continued funding we hope to look at the **50-50** or **75-25** match funding that some states are already using.

Questions and Discussions



THANK YOU!

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