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Mass HIway Newsletter

March 2018

Greetings!

Welcome to the Mass HIway Newsletter. To sign up for Mass HIway announcements, and to get more information, visit www.masshiway.net.

Vendor Transition Announcement: Outreach and Account Management

The Executive Office of Health and Human Services' (EOHHS) Mass HIway has announced a new contract with the [Massachusetts eHealth Institute \(MeHI\) at the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative](#) to develop and deliver services to promote adoption and utilization of health information exchange (HIE) by healthcare organizations statewide. This new contract is a result of an open, competitive procurement.

MeHI is well positioned to help EOHHS increase adoption of Mass HIway and HIE, increase active use of electronic exchange in clinical practice, measure impact that health information exchange has on the delivery of healthcare services, and identify potential new services and opportunities in the growing healthcare IT market.

MeHI is a well-known, trusted resource in the community, and offers valuable expertise and experience in community organizing among healthcare providers, outreach, and education services, technical assessments, and programmatic support for healthcare organizations across the Commonwealth. MeHI has significant experience in both private sector HIT initiatives as well as with the state and federal government health programs, and has worked closely with the EOHHS team on a number of HIway connectivity projects. In addition, MeHI also leads the Commonwealth's [Digital Health Initiative](#), which brings together public, private, academic, and healthcare leaders to build a stronger and more connected statewide digital health ecosystem, and provides an additional platform for the Mass HIway to gain valuable feedback from the larger healthcare community.

This new contract also marks an important change to the Mass HIway Account Management and Outreach team, which has been staffed and managed by the Massachusetts eHealth Collaborative (MAeHC) since 2012.

The Mass HIway thanks the Massachusetts eHealth Collaborative for their service and contribution to these achievements.

The Mass HIway, MAeHC, and MeHI are working together over the next several weeks to ensure there is no disruption in services for Participants as a result of this transition, and will continue to collaborate closely in the future to best serve the Commonwealth.

The Mass HIway is looking forward to this new partnership with MeHI, and to employing new strategies and activities to support the next phase of HIE utilization and evaluation in the Commonwealth.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email us at masshiway@state.ma.us or call 1.855.MA.HIway (624.4829) option 2.

Request for Response Posted: Statewide Event Notification Service

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) has issued a Request for Responses (RFR) on February 15, 2018, in search of a vendor to support the EOHHS Event Notification Service (ENS) Initiative by providing an effective SaaS platform that stores, manages, and shares Admission, Discharge, and Transfer (ADT) information.

EOHHS will facilitate event notification services statewide, with the goal of improving care coordination regarding transitions of care and health care events such as emergency room and hospital admissions, discharges, and transfers.

The RFR is posted on COMMBUYS, the official procurement record system for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Executive Departments, and it can be accessed [here](#) .

Responses are currently due by April 17, 2018, at 4:00 P.M. Any amendment to the RFR will be posted to COMMBUYS.

See slides 20-22 in the February 5, 2018 HIT Council presentation available [here](#) for more information.

February 5, 2018 HIT Council Meeting

The full presentation from the HIT Council meeting held on February 5, 2018, is available [here](#) , and includes updates on the following topics:

- HIT Annual Report
- HIway 2.0 Update
- HIway Connection Requirement: Year 1 and Year 2 Update
- EOHHS Event Notification Services (ENS) Update
- HIway Adoption and Utilization Services (HAUS) Initiative Update

A complete listing of past HIT Council presentations, agendas, and minutes is found [here](#) .

New Mass HIway Enrollments and Connections

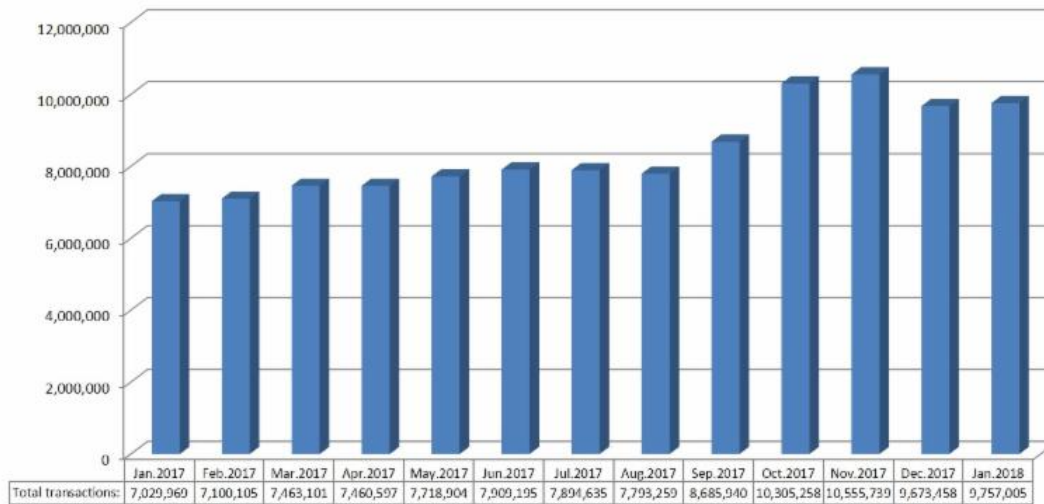
December 21, 2017 - January 20, 2018

Alternative Home Healthcare
Boston Home Health Aides
East Boston Neighborhood Health Center
Geriatric Outreach Services- Quimbley Center
Mount Auburn Anticoagulation Services
Mount Auburn Diabetes Education
Mount Auburn Gastrointestinal Consultants
Mount Auburn Healthcare at Arlington
Mount Auburn Healthcare at Cambridge
Mount Auburn Healthcare at Lexington
Mount Auburn Healthcare at Union Square
Mount Auburn Healthcare at Waltham
Mount Auburn Hospital Nutrition
Mount Auburn Hospital-Maternal Fetal Medicine
Mount Auburn Infectious Disease Department
Mount Auburn Medical Associates
Mount Auburn Occupational Health Services MAH
Mount Auburn Occupational Therapy
Mount Auburn Physical Therapy
Mount Auburn Practice for Women
Mount Auburn Prenatal diagnosis Center
Mount Auburn Pulmonary Consultants
Mount Auburn Pulmonary Rehabilitation
Mount Auburn Rheumatology
Mount Auburn Sleep Disorders Center
Mount Auburn Speech Therapy
Mount Auburn Surgical Associates
Mount Auburn Travel Medicine Center
Mount Auburn Walk-In Center
Mount Auburn Weight Management and Bariatric Surgery
New England Physiatry, LLC
North Shore Ear, Nose & Throat Assoc., PC
PAMA Cardiology
Primary Care Center
Richard J. Kerbal, MD
Russell Nauta, MD
Shaila Associates Diagnostic
Taylor and Sullivan Plastic Surgery
Torey Morgan, M
Watertown Primary Care
Waverley Primary Care
Women's Healthcare at Arlington
Women's Healthcare at Waltham

+ 9 Non-Participant Organizations

Mass HIway Transaction Data

9,757,005 Transactions exchanged in January (12/21/17 to 1/20/18)



See slides 42-51 in the February HIT Council presentation [here](#) for more transaction details.

Mass HIway Availability Data

Mass HIway has achieved 100% availability for 10 consecutive months as of January 20, 2018



HIT in the News

- SHIEC's Strategic Business & Technology Partner Grows 640% in One Year. [Nasdaq Global Newswire](#)
- Taking aim at building a better person-centered HIE at HIMSS18. [Healthcare IT News](#)

- New study shows patient care alerts nearly doubled in one year. [Cision PR Newswire](#)
- Health IT winners and losers in Trump's budget proposal: Cybersecurity gets a boost, ONC sees 37% cut. [FierceHealthcare](#)
- AAFP asks CMS, ONC to eliminate health IT utilization measures. [Healthcare IT News](#)
- HIMSS spotlights growing role of nursing informatics. [Health Data Management](#)

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