Health Information Scorecard

GREEN Standards for Success:

Agency has established a Standards Implementation Plan for the health data standards approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, including timeline for implementation of standards, associated resource identification, and identification of future standards use case work for systems where agency plays a role as a provider, surveyor (surveillance), contractor (as referenced in August 22, 2006 E.O.) or administrator of health information. The health data standards include standards accepted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services in the areas of: information model, information interchange, terminology, security and privacy, individual and organizational identifier, and functionality and process workflow. For contracted systems, agencies should provide contract renewal cycle information.

Standards accepted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services have been implemented on 50 percent of system components/processes for Federal systems exchanging health data with Federal, State, local, or private entities. 50 percent can be measured either by total investment amount (over the lifecycle of the systems) or, by number of systems components/processes.

Departmental contracting language has been included in contracting vehicles for applicable contracts. Inclusion of contracting language should occur during normal contracting cycles.

Agency has independently validated that their ambulatory care systems are compliant with product certification criteria as accepted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Agency has provided evidence demonstrating existing availability and access to quality measurement data, including an agency inventory of existing price and quality measurements.

Agency has demonstrated participation in quality measurement collaborations.

Agency has demonstrated significant progress toward making quality measurements available to beneficiaries, and has included a development timeline through FY 2009.

YELLOW Standards for Success:

By October 10, 2006, the agency developed an inventory of health information exchanges, and the health IT standards being used for those exchanges. This inventory included health information exchanges in which the agency plays a role as a provider, surveyor (surveillance), contractor (as referenced in August 22, 2006 E.O.) or administrator of health information. The inventory should also identified associated IT systems, and a list of applicable contracts with contract renewal cycle information.

Standards, as accepted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, have been implemented on 25 percent of system components/processes for Federal systems exchanging health data with Federal, State, local, or private entities. 25 percent can be measured either by total investment amount (over the lifecycle of the systems) or, by number of systems components/processes.

Agency has developed a Departmental policy and contracting language for inclusion of Health IT standards in applicable contracts, as outlined in August 22, 2006 E.O.

Agency has prepared a plan for compliance with ambulatory care certification criteria as accepted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, for software utilized in the delivery of agency provided ambulatory care. Certification plan includes a list of applicable systems, a timeline, and resource identification.

Agency has developed an inventory of quality measurements, a description of efforts to make available quality measurement data, and a timeline for developing and making available additional quality measurement.