The CARIN Alliance
Creating Access to Real-time Information Now through Consumer-Directed Exchange

CARIN Community Meeting
March 13, 2019 | Washington, D.C.

Objectives
The CARIN community, made up of the CARIN Board, Affiliate Members, and Special Guests, met in Washington, D.C. to discuss current federal priorities on consumer directed exchange, including updates on the CMS proposed rule, “Patient Access and Interoperability,” and the ONC proposed rule, “21st Century Cures Act: Interoperability, Information Blocking, and the ONC Health IT Certification Program.”

Key Discussion
Presentations:
• Guests from OCR, ONC, CMS, VA, and the CDC provided updates on their respective priorities and the various rules under development.
• Director Roger Severino from OCR provided an overview of his difficulty gaining access to health information and talked through some aspect of the recent HIPAA RFI. He also discussed joint work underway with the ONC and potential activity on enforcing the Individual Right of Access coming later this year.
• Staff from ONC and CMS discussed their proposed rules and answered questions community members had. **Please see the attached slide decks for further information.**
• Staff from VA and CDC talked about their respective efforts to advance FHIR in their agencies. The VA discussed ongoing activity to use the CARIN Code of Conduct with their Lighthouse API.

New Members
• Independence Blue Cross, RxRevu, AARP, Higi, Coral Health, and Strategic Health Programs are new members of the CARIN Alliance.

Next Steps
• CARIN workgroups are in flight and progress report outs will occur at the next Community meeting.
• The Q2 Community meeting will take place in Seattle, Washington on May 9. Additional details will follow.