

CHCANYS Annual Conference: An Overview of THINC

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Agenda

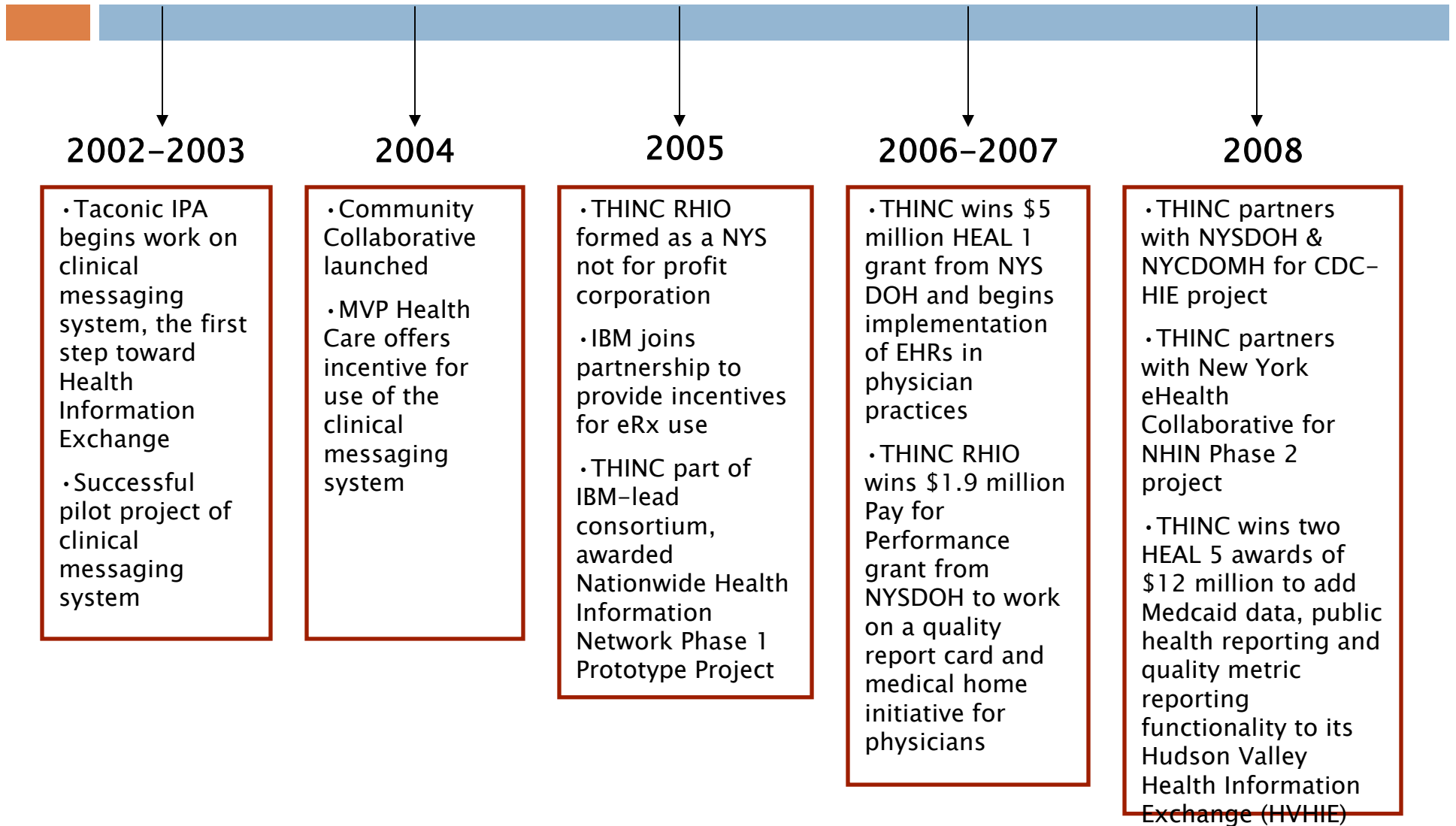


- History and Organization Overview
- More than HIE: THINC's Focus
- Projects and Initiatives

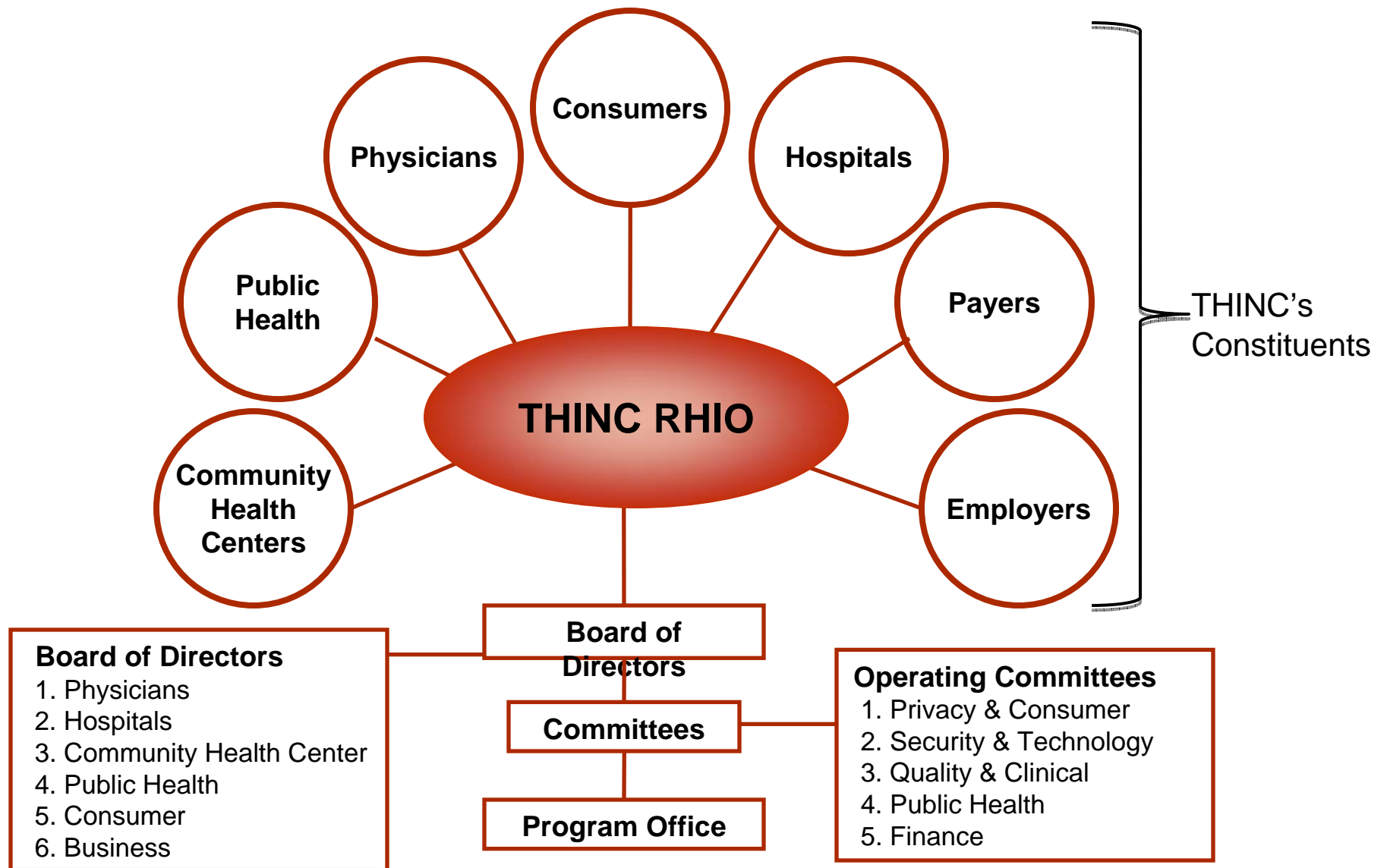


THINC's History & Organization

THINC History



THINC Organization & Governance



THINC Participants



- 5 hospitals in Dutchess and Ulster Counties
 - ▣ Another 14 hospitals in Hudson Valley have signed letters of intent to participate in HEAL 5 expansion of the HVHIE
- 6 health plans actively participating in P4P project
- Installed EHRs with 225 physicians, plan to reach total of 1,000 physician EHRs in two years
 - ▣ 500 physicians use existing HVHIE portal to access lab and hospital data

THINC Participants



- 2 community health centers
 - ▣ Hudson River Healthcare is implementing EHR; Institute for Family Health to connect to exchange in coming phase
- 2 national laboratories
- 7 local health departments participating on THINC public health committee



More than HIE: THINC's Focus

Not Just Health Information Exchange



- THINC is not focusing only on health information exchange, but also on:
 1. Physician adoption of electronic health records
 2. Quality reporting and medical home certification

Physician Focus

- THINC is different from some RHIOs in its strong focus on the physician in the ambulatory setting
 - ▣ Seeking to drive adoption of electronic health records by physicians
- By bringing EHRs to physicians, THINC creates an unparalleled set of building blocks for HIE
- Believe that we truly impact quality of care
 - ▣ THINC judges HIT interventions successful if they work for the physician in the ambulatory setting
 - ▣ Medical home is an excellent example of this – HIT is a means to achieve patient centered care



Projects and Initiatives

THINC's HEAL 1 Project

Goals of THINC RHIO's HEAL 1 Project

- **Provide** 1,000 certified-EHR licenses to Hudson Valley physicians
- **Facilitate** EHR training for physicians and providers
- **Evaluate** the ROI and impact of EHR use on patient safety

HEAL 1 Project Budget

- State Funds.....\$ 5,000,000

HEAL 1 Project Status

- 225 EHRs implemented or in process

THINC's NHIN2 Project



Goals of THINC RHIO's NHIN 2 Project

- **Develop** technical specs that enable EHR systems to export quality reporting data
- **Create** building block for P4P and quality reporting engine

NHIN 2 Project Budget

- Federal Funds.....\$ 180,033

NHIN 2 Project Status

- Technical specifications for exporting summary quality metrics from EHRs have been developed and forwarded to HHS for approval
- Commencing work on eClinical Works EHR to demonstrate quality reporting from the EHR in a Hudson Valley physician practice

THINC's CDC HIE Project

Goals of THINC RHIO's CDC HIE Project

- **Enable** the bi-directional flow of public health information between hospitals via the RHIO and NYS DOH
- **Develop** dynamic querying capabilities that allow public health officials to access a broader set of clinical data

CDC HIE Project Budget

- Federal Funds.....\$ 197,780

CDC HIE Project Status

- Planning work underway for the public health reporting capability (universal public health node)

THINC's HEAL 5 Project

Goals of THINC RHIO's HEAL 5 Project (two grant awards)

- **Build** an enhanced Hudson Valley Health Information Exchange (HVHIE)
- **Integrate** medication data from NYS's Medicaid program into the EHR and HIE
- **Support** automated public health reporting for hospitals
- **Develop** a quality reporting service that will connect with multiple EHR systems to collect, analyze, aggregate, and generate quality metrics reports

HEAL 5 Project Budget

- Two grant awards.....\$10,926,643

HEAL 5 Project Status

- Planning phase is nearly completed. Build will start on November 1.

THINC's P4P Demonstration Project

Goals of THINC RHIO's Pay for Performance Demonstration

- **Create** P4P program with 6 payers and 500 regional physicians
- **Help** 250 physicians reach medical home Level 2 certification
- **Assess** impact of medical home and financial incentives on quality of care

Pay for Performance Demonstration Budget

- State Funds.....\$1,780,000

Pay for Performance Project Status

- Health plan claims data starting to flow to data aggregator for Q1 2009 quality metrics report
- Collaborating with health plans on development of uniform payment approach
- Kick-off for medical home transformation on January 1

Questions



- Please feel free to reach out to me with questions

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