

InformationLinks Program Grantee Summaries

City of Austin Health and Human Services Department, Austin, Texas

Award: \$75,000

This project will create a plan to improve the exchange of immunization information between the health department, safety net providers and community stakeholders (such as school district nurses and private providers).

State of Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Award: \$92,030

This project will identify barriers and solutions to sharing newborn screening results in a statewide information exchange.

Denver Health and Hospital Authority, Denver, Colorado

Award: \$74,257

This project will leverage the experience, momentum, and collaborative Colorado Health Information Exchange environment to define an atmosphere where public health surveillance systems are a natural product of health information technology investments.

Hamilton County General Health District, Cincinnati, Ohio

Award: \$74,408

The Greater Cincinnati Public Health InformationLinks Project will strengthen the existing collaboration between public health authorities and HealthBridge, a fully funded and operational regional health information organization serving southwest Ohio and northern Kentucky.

Imperial County, El Centro, California

Award: \$75,000

The Integrating Information-Improving the Exchange Project will work with existing data exchanges for communicable disease, laboratory result reporting, immunization registry, access to health care, and HIV/AIDS to improve health information exchange between local, state and national partners.

State of Indiana, Indiana State Department of Health

Award: \$100,000

The Indiana State Department of Health will develop a model health exchange network that identifies the components, resources and personnel needed in the state and local community to establish an information exchange.

County of Ingham, Mason, Michigan

Award: \$74,518

This project will support a multi-staged research and development process to embed public health surveillance, epidemiological, and health promotion capabilities in a regional health information organization.

State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Award: \$96,037

This project will initiate a public-private partnership between the Kansas Immunization Registry and an electronic community health record managed by the employer-driven, nonprofit Kansas City Health Exchange to enable a two-way flow of immunization registry data.

Louisiana Public Health Institute, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Award: \$74,980

The Louisiana Health Information Exchange project will develop shared disease control protocols between public health and healthcare to support rapid and coordinated diagnosis, treatment and prevention of HIV, STDs, TB, and Hepatitis C.

Maine Center for Public Health, Augusta, Maine

Award: \$100,000

Connecting Maine will strengthen the relationship between public health and health care informatics by joining two innovative data integration efforts—Maine's Integrated Public Health Information System; and Maine's nascent health information exchange, the Maine Health Information Network Technology project (MHINT).

Mendocino County Department of Public Health, Ukiah, California

Award: \$74,800

This community-based effort will expand Mendocino Securing Health Access and Records Exchange, or SHARE, a nationally recognized health information exchange demonstration project, from its safety net clinic roots into a full health information exchange that can operate across the entire regional health care sector.

Mesa County Health Department, Grand Junction, Colorado

Award: \$75,000

The Mesa County Public Health Information Exchange Project will work with the existing Quality Health Network (QHN) electronic health information exchange to establish a filter to automatically notify Mesa County Health Department when a reportable condition has been diagnosed or treated.

State of Minnesota Department of Public Health

Award: \$100,000

This project will implement strategic policy actions to establish governance for exchange of information between public health systems and clinical practice settings.

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, New York, New York

Award: \$75,000

The overall objective of the Primary Care Health Information Technology Strategy project is to help small and mid-sized primary care providers, especially community health centers, in adopting public health-focused health information technology solutions (including electronic health records and electronic prescribing).

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Department of Health

Award: \$96,780

This project will help create a health information excha

County of Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, California

Award: \$74,839

This project will bring together information technology experts, convened by the health department, to plan a community-wide health information exchange.

State of Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration

Award: \$100,000

The Tennessee Health Network project will leverage relationships with three existing regional health information organizations to facilitate public/private health data sharing.

State of Utah, Utah Department of Health

Award: \$99,780

This project will develop a business plan for ongoing statewide public health participation in electronic exchange of clinical data through an existing network and assess new opportunities for public health participation in health information exchange.

State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

Award: \$100,000

This project will define the public health role in the Wisconsin's Public Health Information Network and help encourage public health participation.