



NCHICA History & Accomplishments

Date	Event
April 14, 1994	North Carolina Health Care Information and Communications Alliance, Inc. was chartered as North Carolina Nonprofit
July 1, 1994	Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. issues Executive Order for NCHICA Jane Smith Patterson, 1st Chair; William D. Mattern, MD, 1st President
1994 – 1995	First Project – Voluntary Patient Information Locator (VPIL) to provide statewide electronic master person index
1995	Privacy and Confidentiality Focus Group established to study and recommend how to handle electronic health information; NCHICA invited to assist NC General Assembly to understand and work with this complex issue and provide testimony during hearings; bill passed in 1999 that no longer requires paper medical records or pen-and-ink signatures for any legal reasons in NC. Carmen Hooker Odom, 1st Chair
Oct 18-20, 1995	NCHICA 1 st Annual Conference, <i>Health Information Sharing: The Art of the Possible</i> , Pinehurst, NC
1996 – 1999	Development of model privacy legislation with guiding principles
1996	HHS requests copy of model privacy legislation to use as HIPAA Privacy Regulations were developed
1996	Congress passes Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) that contains Administrative Simplification provisions for standardizing Transactions, Code Sets, Identifiers, Privacy and Security of health information
Sept 8-10, 1996	NCHICA 2 nd Annual Conference, <i>Health Information Sharing: Exploring the Benefits of a Healthcare Intranet</i> , Asheville, NC
Sept 7-9, 1997	NCHICA 3 rd Annual Conference, <i>Health Information Sharing: Overcoming Barriers & Managing Change</i> , Asheville, NC
March 1998	NCHICA holds workshop on how to use the Internet to securely exchange health information; HCFA invited to participate
June 1998	NCHICA invited to participate in development of HCFA Internet policy
1998	NC DHHS Division of Public Health, Women's and Children's Branch collaborates with NCHICA and its members to develop Provider Access to Immunization Registry Securely (PAiRS) demonstration project to use the Internet to access children's immunization records from disparate sources; over \$2M in in-kind support to project provide by NCHICA members
1998	NCHICA Standing Advisory Committee develops vision and resolution for <i>Paperless, Person-Centered Health Records by 2010</i> ; Resolution adopted by members of SAC and others including NC Medical Society, NC Hospital Association, NC Nurses Association, NC Association of Pharmacists, NC AHIMA, NC Association of Local Health Directors, NC Health Care Facilities Association
Sept 13-15, 1998	NCHICA 4 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Building the Healthcare Continuum: Steps to the Future</i> , Asheville, NC. Features Opening Remarks by Governor James Hunt and Keynote Address by Rep. Richard Burr.
1999 - 2002	NCHICA invited to participate in Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funded HealthKey project with states of MA, MN, WA and UT; studied and developed demonstration projects related to health information and the Internet including secure e-mail and Public Key Encryption Infrastructure (PKI) technologies

June 1999	NCHICA HIPAA Implementation Planning Task Force established
1999	Y2K Task Force established to provide neutral forum and facilitating effort for NCHICA members to share concerns and methods of handling Year 2000 technical and policy issues
Sept 1999	NCHICA discussed potential of establishing a group for collecting emergency department data for best practice development and community assessment with emergency physician group from NC Medical Society
Sept 12-14, 1999	NCHICA 5 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Building the Healthcare Continuum: Tools & Rules</i> , Asheville, NC
Nov 1999	NCHICA participates on Executive Planning Group that holds first HIPAA Security Summit in Baltimore
Dec 1999	NCHICA receives Corporate Involvement Award from Every Child by Two Foundation in Ceremony in Washington, DC presided over by Rosalyn Carter and Betty Bumpers
March 2000	CDC funds North Carolina Emergency Department Database (NCEDD) project in conjunction with NC DHHS, Division of Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics, and UNC-CH Department of Emergency Medicine that takes project lead
May 2000	HIPAA EarlyView™ Security software tool released to assist health care organizations to understand the proposed HIPAA Security Regulations and how their present practices compare to what would be required (gap analysis). Licensed to over 1,000 organizations in all states
June 2000	Workgroup on Electronic Data Exchange (WEDI) establishes the Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP) that is conceptually based on the NCHICA HIPAA efforts
Sept 10-12, 2000	NCHICA 6 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>e-Health: From Survival to Success</i> , Asheville, NC
March 2001	NCHICA testifies at WEDI HIPAA Implementation Summit in Chicago
2001	HIPAA EarlyView™ Privacy tool released
Sept 9-11, 2001	NCHICA 7 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>e-Health: Tactical & Practical Solutions</i> , Asheville, NC. Speakers include Lanier Canisler.
November 13, 2001	NCHICA Research Workgroup publishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Safe Harbor De-Identification Chart</i> • <i>Using Protected Health Information for Research Purposes</i> • <i>Training Clinical Research Professionals</i>
December 11, 2001	<i>Analysis of the HIPAA Privacy Rule and Selected NC Statutes</i> published by the NCHICA State Law Workgroup
2002	NC DHHS Division of Public Health contracts with NCEDD to develop and implement a plan to collect data from all hospital emergency rooms for public health surveillance as part of the State's Homeland Security efforts. NCHICA remains consultant to project and successor NC DETECT.
2002	National Partnership on Immunization presents NCHICA with Non-traditional Partner award in Washington, DC event
2002	NCHICA invited to participate in eHealth Initiative/Markle Foundation "Connecting for Health" initiative
March 18, 2002	<i>Decision Tree for Use and Disclosure</i> published by the NCHICA Minimum Necessary Workgroup



April 2002	NCHICA holds HIPAA National Workshop for Academic Medical Centers with 65 AMCs represented
Oct 2002	NCHICA receives WEDI SNIP Regional Achievement Award
Oct 12-15, 2002	NCHICA 8 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Securing Healthcare Privacy & Connectivity</i> , Asheville, NC. Keynote speaker is Lt. Governor Bev Perdue.
February 3, 2003	<i>Guidance for Identifying Designated Record Sets under HIPAA</i> published by NCHICA Designated Record Sets Workgroup
March 5, 2003	NCHICA Transactions, Code Sets & Identifiers Workgroup publishes <i>Direct Data Entry Principles</i>
March 6, 2003	NCHICA Research Workgroup publishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Data Use Agreement for Limited Data Set</i> • <i>Sample and Implementation Instructions for a Stand-alone Authorization for Use and Disclosure of Health Information for Research Purposes</i> • <i>Guidelines for Using HIPAA Authorization Text as An Addendum to Informed Consent Forms</i> • <i>Confidentiality and Use and Disclosure of Health Information for Research Purposes</i>
March 18, 2003	<i>Notice of Privacy Practices</i> published by NCHICA Contracts Workgroup
April 2, 2003	<i>Business Associate Agreement</i> published by NCHICA Contracts Workgroup
June 2003	HIPAA EarlyView™ Security 2.0 released
August 2003	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup publishes <i>Internal Security Requirements Checklist</i>
September 2003	HIPAA EarlyView™ Privacy 2.0 released
Sept 7-9, 2003	NCHICA 9 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Beyond the Buzz: 21st Century Healthcare</i> , Asheville, NC
October 16, 2003	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup publishes <i>De-Identified Data Sets and Data Sets Flow Chart</i>
December 4, 2003	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup publishes <i>Processing Data Requests and Flow Chart</i>
Jan 27, 2004	NCHICA testifies at WEDI HIPAA Implementation Summit
March 2004	HIPAA EarlyView™ Security 2.1 upgrade released
March 2004	Grant awarded to NCHICA by NC Health & Wellness Trust Fund to develop grant proposals to improve information infrastructure for local public health departments (July 2004-June 2006)
March – April 2004	NCHICA hosts statewide educational sessions in conjunction with the NC Area Health Education Centers on Security of Health Information for rural and small providers
June 25, 2004	NCHICA hosts workshop on <i>Advanced Clinical Systems</i>
June 28-30, 2004	NCHICA hosts 2 nd Academic Medical Center Conference on <i>Security and Privacy Approaches for AMCs</i> ; more than 50 major AMCs and universities in attendance
July 1, 2004	10th Anniversary Celebration with Governor Hunt, NCHICA Board members and past Board members
July 28, 2004	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup publishes <i>Privacy Compliance Checklist</i>
August 28-31, 2004	NCHICA 10 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>The Next Decade: Information Technology Enabling Better Health</i> , Asheville, NC. Keynote speaker Carolyn Clancy, MD, Director of AHRQ.

January 2005	NCHICA Security Workgroup publishes <i>Considerations on Implementing A Wireless Network in the Healthcare Environment</i>
January 21, 2005	NCHICA submits advice to ONC on how to develop a Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN). Response to RFP includes input from 18 member and non-member organizations.
Sept 10-13, 2005	NCHICA 11 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Leading the Way: Building Collaborative Healthcare Models</i> , Greensboro, NC. Keynote speakers David Brailer, MD, National Coordinator for Health IT & Carolyn Clancy, MD, Director of AHRQ.
Sept 26-28, 2005	NCHICA hosts 3 rd Academic Medical Conference on <i>AMC Security & Privacy: Progress & Prospects</i> in Research Triangle Park, NC
October 2005	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup publishes <i>Vendor RFP Template for Meeting HIPAA Security Requirements</i>
November 2005	NCHICA selected by IBM to participate in the NHIN Prototype Architecture contract. NCHICA members represent two of the three IBM marketplaces. The prototype was successfully demonstrated on January 25-26, 2007 in Washington, DC.
2005-2008	NCHICA Executive Director appointed to and served on the National Governors Association State Alliance for eHealth Committees for Privacy and Security.
January 2006	NCHICA selected to submit a proposal to RTI International on behalf of the State of NC for the Health Information Security & Privacy Collaboration (HISPC) project, funded by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
April 5, 2006	NCHICA hosts webinar on <i>North Carolina's New Identity Theft Protection Act: What You Should Know & Implications for Healthcare Organizations</i> . Webinar sponsored by Siemens.
May 2006	NCHICA awarded contract from RTI International for Phase 1 of the HISPC Project; period of performance is 5/1/06 – 4/30/07, later extended to 6/30/07. NCHICA Executive Director Holt Anderson also awarded contract to serve on Technical Advisory Panel for HISPC.
2006 - Present	NCHICA Executive Director serving on ONC Workgroup to develop the <i>Data Use and Reciprocal Support Agreement</i> (DURSA) that will establish the terms and conditions for the Nationwide Health Information Network (co-chair of Workgroup 2006-2008)
May 5, 2006	NCHICA hosts seminar on <i>Disease Registries in Primary Care Practice: A Necessity for Care Management in 2006 & Beyond</i> at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC
Sept 9-12, 2006	NCHICA 12 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Person-Centered Health: Strategies-Solutions</i> , Greensboro, NC
March 2007	NCHICA forms NC Consumer Advisory Council on Health Information to engage patients (health care consumers) in providing input and feedback on topics related to health information
March 12, 2007	NCHICA recognized as a Community Leader by HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt. Joins other NC businesses in committing to national initiative to improve quality and value in healthcare.
June 10-13, 2007	NCHICA hosts 4 th Academic Medical Center Conference on <i>AMC Security & Privacy: Kick It Up a Notch!</i> at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC
July 2007	NCHICA awarded contract for Phase 2 of HISPC Project. Period of performance is 7/1/07 – 12/31/07. NCHICA Executive Director Holt Anderson also awarded contract to serve on Technical Advisory Panel for HISPC.

August 6, 2007	NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials' Mobile Memory Task Force publishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Managing Sensitive Electronic Information on Portable Devices and Removable Media</i> • <i>Addendum to Vendor RFP Template for Meeting HIPAA Requirements for Portable and Removable Media</i>
Sept 23-26, 2007	NCHICA 13 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Cultures in Transition: Healthcare Consumers, Providers & Payers</i> , Asheville, NC. Keynote speakers Robert Kolodner, MD, National Coordinator for Health IT & John Halamka, MD.
September 2007	NCHICA one of nine organizations nationwide awarded contract with ONC for NHIN Trial Implementations. Period of performance is 9/30/07 – 9/29/08, later extended to 1/31/09.
December 2007	NCHICA forms NC Health Information Exchange Council to enable the timely and secure exchange of electronic health information for the purposes of improving the quality, safety and efficiency of healthcare and the overall health of North Carolina's residents
December 5, 2007	NCHICA and WEDI release timeline to assist healthcare community in implementing the 5010 version of HIPAA transactions
March 19, 2008	NCHICA Chairman Bill Mattern and Executive Director Holt Anderson testify before the NC General Assembly Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology on the need for information technology in healthcare
April 2008	NCHICA awarded contract for Phase 3 of HISPC Project. Period of performance is 4/1/08 – 3/31/09. NCHICA Executive Director Holt Anderson also awarded contract to serve on Technical Advisory Panel for HISPC.
April 4, 2008	NCHICA conducts Triad Region Town Hall Meeting in Greensboro, NC to discuss "Strategies to Promote Health Information Exchange in NC." Meeting is hosted by the Piedmont Triad Partnership and sponsored by Morehead Memorial Hospital, Moses Cone Health System, Novant Health and Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.
April 9, 2008	NCHICA Chairman Bill Mattern and Executive Director Holt Anderson testify before the NC General Assembly Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Study Committee on the need for information technology in healthcare. In response to request, NCHICA prepared and submitted plan to develop a strategic plan for health information technology and enabling policies to both the Joint Oversight Committees for Technology and Healthcare.
April 18, 2008	NCHICA conducts Eastern Region Town Hall Meeting in Greenville, NC to discuss "Strategies to Promote Health Information Exchange in NC." Meeting is hosted by Pitt County Memorial Hospital and sponsored by Eastern AHEC and East Carolina University.
August 1, 2008	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Mike Leavitt discusses how to build a value-driven health care system at NCHICA's Western Region Town Hall Meeting in Asheville, NC. Meeting is sponsored by WNC Health Network and Mountain Area Health Education Center.
Sept 7-10, 2008	NCHICA 14 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Health Information Exchange: Connecting Communities to Achieve Excellence</i> , Greensboro, NC. Keynote speaker Mayor Pat McCrory.
October 21, 2008	Lanier Cansler and NCHICA President Sam Spicer testify before the NC General Assembly Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Study Committee on NCHICA



November 21, 2008	NCHICA conducts Southeastern Region Town Hall Meeting in Wilmington, NC to discuss "Strategies to Promote Health Information Exchange in NC." Meeting is hosted by Coastal Carolinas Health Alliance.
January 2009	NCHICA awarded an option year extension on NHIN contract. Period of performance is Feb. 2009 through January 2010.
January 9, 2009	NCHICA submits Sustainability Plan for HIE across NC to Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT
2009 - Present	NCHICA Executive Director appointed by HHS to serve on a joint NHIN and National eHealth Collaborative Workgroup to develop the governance principles and structure for the NHIN
February 11, 2009	NCHICA and WEDI release updated timeline reflecting the new compliance date of January 1, 2012 for 5010 version of HIPAA transactions
March 1-4, 2009	NCHICA hosts 5 th Academic Medical Center Conference on <i>AMC Security & Privacy: New Challenges, New Solutions</i> at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC
April 15, 2009	NCHICA Executive Director testifies before NC General Assembly Joint Appropriations subcommittee on ARRA Stimulus Funding
July 8, 2009	NCHICA publishes a Proposed Architecture for Statewide Health Information Exchange Capability for the State of North Carolina. The paper was developed by the NC HIE Council's Technical & Operations Committee.
July 20, 2009	NCHICA and WEDI release an update to the timeline for ICD-10 implementation. The update was developed by a subgroup of the NCHICA Transactions, Code Sets & Identifiers Workgroup and WEDI.
July 27, 2009	NCHICA provides Letter of Support for MCNC application for Broadband Stimulus Funds
September 1, 2009	NCHICA provides Letter of Support for NC Area Health Education Centers Program for Regional Extension Centers Program application
Sept 20-23, 2009	NCHICA 15 th Annual Conference & Exhibition, <i>Adapting to the Reality of Healthcare IT: A Whole New World</i> , Asheville, NC
October 9, 2009	NCHICA provides Letter of Support for State of North Carolina's application for State Grants to Promote HIT
November 2009	<i>HITECH Act Breach Notification Risk Assessment Tool</i> published by NCHICA Privacy and Security Officials Workgroup
December 8, 2009	NCHICA Legal Workgroup BAA Task Force publishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Notice to Covered Entities Under HIPAA Regarding New Requirements under the ARRA HITECH Act</i> • <i>Template for Business Associate Alert and New Breach Notification Requirements</i> • <i>Summary of Selected ARRA and HITECH Act Provisions Related to Business Associates</i>
January 6, 2010	NCHICA Business Partner Alliance provides Letter of Support for East Carolina University for Curriculum Development Centers Program application
January 11 & 15, 2010	NCHICA and NCHICA Business Partner Alliance provide Letters of Support for Pitt Community College for Community College Consortia to Educate HIT Professionals application
January 17 & 21, 2010	NCHICA provides Letters of Support for Duke Center for Health Informatics, NC State University and UNC-Charlotte for Strategic HIT Advanced Research Projects (SHARP) applications



January 17, 2010	NCHICA provides Letter of Support for NORC at the University of Chicago for Comprehensive Research on Re-identifying HIPAA De-identified Data application
January 18, 2010	NCHICA provides Letter of Support for NC Community Care Networks for Comparative Effectiveness Study in Complex Patients application
January 25, 2010	NCHICA provides Letters of Support for Coastal Connect HIE, Sandhills Community Care Network, Southern Piedmont Community Care Plan and WNC Health Network on Beacon Community Program applications
January 28, 2010	State Health IT Coordinator provides Letters of Support for Coastal Connect HIE, Sandhills Community Care Network, Southern Piedmont Community Care Plan and WNC Health Network on Beacon Community Program applications
February 8, 2010	Amended and Restated <i>Model Business Associate Agreement</i> published by NCHICA Legal Workgroup BAA Task Force
February 24, 2010	NCHICA posts the Regional Extension Center Business Partner Survey on the NCHICA website
February 25, 2010	NCHICA announces RFP for NHIN Gateway
April 28, 2010	NCHICA selects Mirth Meaningful Use Exchange™ to power NHIN connectivity
May 3, 2010	NCHICA publishes the first ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "ICD-9 is Being Replaced" prepared by the ICD-10 Taskforce
May 11, 2010	NCHICA and WEDI publish updated 5010 and ICD-10 Timeline Benchmarks
May 18, 2010	NCHICA submits comments to HHS on <i>HIPAA Privacy Rule Accounting Disclosures Under the HITECH Act</i>
June 6-9, 2010	NCHICA hosts the 6 th Academic Medical Center Conference on <i>Meaningful Privacy & Security</i> at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC
June 15, 2010	NCHICA holds first meeting of the Business Continuity & Disaster Recovery workgroup
June 28, 2010	NCHICA releases update to tool that helps covered entities perform risk assessment on data breaches
July 21, 2010	NCHICA publishes ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "Exploring the Benefits of ICD-10-CM"
July 26, 2010	NCHICA creates Facebook page for the organization and the Annual Conference
July 30, 2010	NCHICA creates pages on LinkedIn for organization, Annual Conference and workshops
August 19, 2010	NCHICA executes NHIN Exchange Data Use and Reciprocal Support Agreement (DURSA) and is approved as an Eligible Participant in the NHIN Exchange by the NHIN Exchange Coordinating Committee
August 27, 2010	NCHICA publishes ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "What's Changing with ICD-10?"
August 27, 2010	NCHICA creates Twitter account and launches plan to send Tweets about NCHICA and the Annual Conference
September 12-15, 2010	NCHICA hosts 16 th Annual Conference & Exhibition on <i>Transforming Healthcare Through Meaningful Use</i> at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro, NC
September 13, 2010	NCHICA submits comments to HHS on <i>Modifications to the HIPAA Privacy, Security and Enforcement Rules under the HITECH Act Proposed Rule</i>
September 14, 2010	NCHICA conducts live demo of test data exchange between Western NC Data Link and HealthBridge in Cincinnati using NCHICA's NHIN Exchange
September 29, 2010	NCHICA publishes ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "Jumpstart ICD-10 Compliance"



October 5, 2010	NCHICA publishes white paper that explores the privacy and security issues related to Meaningful Use
November 23, 2010	NCHICA and WEDI publish "alternative" timeline for ICD-10 Implementation
December 8, 2010	NCHICA publishes ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "The NCHICA/WEDI ICD-10 Timeline"
January 2011	NCHICA forms Meaningful Use committee
February 11, 2011	NCHICA published ICD-10 Taskforce Bulletin on "Understanding General Equivalence Mapping"
March 15, 2011	NCHICA hosts first workshop on <i>Health Information in the Cloud: Business Strategy, Security & Deployment</i> at the Harris Conference Center in Charlotte, NC
March 21, 2011	NCHICA hosts second workshop on <i>Health Information in the Cloud: Business Strategy, Security & Deployment</i> at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC
March 24, 2011	NHIN Coordinating Committee approves NCHICA as an active "Participant" in the Nationwide Health Information Network to connect the Western NC Health Network's 16 hospitals to the Asheville VA Medical Center to exchange medical records of veterans in the region