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MINNESOTA HEALTH DATA INSTITUTE

An Inventory of Its Records

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Agency:	Minnesota Health Data Institute.
Series Title:	Records.
Dates:	1993-2002.
Abstract:	Records documenting the establishment and operation of this public-private partnership to support the information needs of multiple constituencies in measuring and improving the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care services in Minnesota.
Quantity:	5.6 cu. ft. (6 boxes).
Location:	See Detailed Description for box locations.

HISTORY OF THE MINNESOTA HEALTH DATA INSTITUTE

The Minnesota Health Data Institute [MHDI] was a public-private partnership established by the Minnesota Legislature in 1993 [Minn. Stat. 62J.451] to support the information needs of multiple constituencies in measuring and improving the quality and cost-effectiveness of health care services in Minnesota. The MHDI was defined in statute as a partnership between the Commissioner of Health and a twenty-member Board of Directors representing consumers, purchasers, providers, health plans, and public agencies. The MHDI ceased operations on September 30, 2002.

The Minnesota Institute for Community Health Information [MICHI] was a Minnesota nonprofit corporation governed by the same twenty-member board as the MHDI. Through a formal partnership agreement, MICHI was recognized by the Commissioner of Health as the legal, operational vehicle for carrying out the statutory directives of the MHDI. The MHDI and the MICHI were collectively referred to as the Institute.

The primary functions and responsibilities of the Institute were divided into two major program components: 1) performance measurement that supported the information needs of consumers and purchasers in assessing the performance of health plans and provider systems; and 2) electronic commerce that supported the implementation of electronic data interchange among health care system participants. The specific projects and activities undertaken in each of these programs were determined through the Institute's collaborative, community-based committee and task force process.

Funding sources for the Institute included a combination of foundation grants (notably from the John A. Hartford Foundation), public agency grants and contracts, and private sector commitments from purchaser, health plan, and provider organizations.

In 1999, the MHDI established both the Minnesota Center for Healthcare Electronic Commerce [MCHEC] and a management committee which oversaw all of the MCHEC programs and reported to the Institute's board. The MCHEC was a member driven alliance of health care and technology organizations dedicated to promoting the use of health care electronic commerce in Minnesota. The center provided leadership in health care information technology and electronic data interchange, assisted in the development of state and national policy, promoted the adoption and implementation of electronic standards for the exchange of health care information, and facilitated the development of collaborative projects in the areas of network infrastructure, electronic data interchange applications, and data and network security.

Sources: MHDI annual reports and records.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE REPORT

The files include annual reports (1994-2001); minutes and supporting documents of the board of directors (1993-2002), executive committee (1994-2002), and committees and task forces relating to electronic commerce (1997-2001), security (1998-2002), Minnesota EDI Health Users Group (2000-2001), communications network (1994-1996), and performance measurement (1997); files documenting grants from the John A. Hartford Foundation (1993-1999); subject files (1993-1998); and published reports (1994-2002).

The subject files mainly document a series of research surveys done in 1997 covering clinics, dental, employer, executive, health plan, home health, hospital, lab, nursing home, and pharmacy. There are also files dealing with electronic data interchange, grants, and legislation, and copies of the Minnesota Center for Healthcare Electronic Commerce newsletter (1997-1998). The published reports include business plans (1995-2000), financial statements (1997-2001), the Institute's annual report to the Minnesota Medical Association (1996-2002), and reports both written by and submitted to the Institute covering such topics as clinics, consumers and health plans, Medicaid, and MinnesotaCare.

INDEX TERMS

These records are indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Electronic commerce--Minnesota.

Electronic data interchange--Minnesota.

Health.

Information storage and retrieval systems--Medical care--Minnesota.

Information storage and retrieval systems--Standards--Minnesota.

Integrated delivery of health care--Minnesota.

Managed care plans (Medical care)--Minnesota.
Medicaid--Minnesota.
Medical care surveys--Minnesota.
Medical care, Cost of--Minnesota.
Medical care--Computer networks--Security measures--Minnesota.
Medical care--Information services--Minnesota.
Medical policy--Minnesota.
Medicine--Ability testing--Minnesota.
MinnesotaCare Project.
Patient advocacy--Minnesota.
Public-private sector cooperation--Minnesota.

Organizations:

John A. Hartford Foundation.
Minnesota Center for Healthcare Electronic Commerce.
Minnesota. Dept. of Health. Commissioner's Office.
Minnesota EDI Healthcare Users Group.
Minnesota Institute for Community Health Information.
Minnesota Medical Association.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below. Each file consists of one folder unless specified otherwise.

Location	Box	
103.L.14.1B	1	Annual reports, 1994-2001. 2 folders. Annual Reports to Legislature, 1995-2001. Annual Reports to the Board of Directors, 1994-2001. Meeting files, 1993-2002. Board of Directors meeting files, 1993-2002. September 16, 1993 - November 22, 1996. 41 folders.
103.L.14.2F	2	February 6, 1997 - September 5, 2002. 26 folders.

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103.L.14.3B	3	Executive Committee, January 5, 1994 - August 22, 2002. 48 folders.
103.L.14.4F	4	<p>Minnesota Center for Healthcare Electronic Commerce (MCHEC) Management Committee, August 11, 1998 - March 20, 2001. 22 folders.</p> <p>MCHEC is governed by a twenty-member Management Committee formed by representatives from a cross-section of Minnesota health care organizations: fifteen represent health care organizations including health plans, hospital systems, provider groups, and others; four represent state agencies; and one represents group purchasers. The Management Committee oversees all the work done by MCHEC.</p> <p>Electronic Commerce Committee/Task Force, January 15, 1997 - May, 13, 1998. 11 folders.</p> <p>Security Task Force Committee, August 7, 1998 - July 26, 2002.</p> <p>This group was organized by the MCHEC to guide the community's security efforts.</p> <p>August 7, 1998 - December 15, 2000. 24 folders.</p>
103.L.14.5B	5	<p>January 19, 2001 - July 26, 2002. 9 folders.</p> <p>Minnesota EDI Healthcare Users Group (MEHUG), March 24, 2000 - January 30, 2001. 12 folders.</p> <p>MEHUG was a voluntary group of individuals representing Minnesota health care organizations. Its vision was to encourage a smooth and unified movement toward an industry-wide Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) and Electronic Commerce (EC) participation between health care providers.</p> <p>Communications Network Task Force, August 16, 1994 - August 1, 1996. 17 folders.</p> <p>Performance Measurement Committee, December 1997.</p> <p>Subject files, 1993-1998. 28 folders.</p> <p>Clinic Survey, 1997.</p> <p>Copies of letters to survey participants, 1996.</p> <p>Correspondence to Jim Golden (Section Chief, Health Department's Data Analysis Program), 1995.</p> <p>Correspondence to Richard Rubin (Foundation of Health Care Quality), 1996.</p> <p>Dental Survey, 1997.</p> <p>DOER Pilot, 1997.</p> <p>EDI Advisory Group, 1993.</p> <p>Employer Survey, 1997.</p> <p>Executive Survey, 1997.</p> <p>Grant reports, 1997.</p>

Location	Box	
103.L.14.5B	5	<p>Health Plan Survey, 1997. Home Health Survey, 1997. Hospital Survey, 1997. Lab Survey, 1997. Legislation, 1995-1996. MCHE (Minnesota Center for Healthcare Electronic Commerce) newsletter, Summer 1997 - Summer 1998. 5 folders. MHCIS (Minnesota Health Care Information System) Committee membership, 1994. MHCIS pre-meeting, 1994. MPI (Master Person Index) Workshop, 1996. Nursing Home Survey, 1997. Pharmacy Survey, 1997. Press release, 1997. Proposal request, 1997. Summit, 1998.</p> <p>Hartford grant files, 1993-1999. 18 folders. Materials documenting grants from the John A. Hartford Foundation.</p> <p>Administration. Correspondence, 1998. Evaluation, August 1997. Expenditure reports, 1994 - August, 1997. 3 folders. Grant, 1995-1998.</p>
103.L.14.6F	6	<p>Progress Reports, 1994-1999. 9 folders. Budget, May 1994. Proposal, April 13, 1993. Published reports, 1994-2002. Business Plans, 1995-FY2000. 4 folders. 1995-1996. Revised and approved August 4, 1994. FY1997-1998, June 6, 1996. FY1999, April 2, 1998. FY2000, May 28, 1999. 1997 <u>C</u>linic Survey Pilot Project Report, April 1998. Consumer Survey Questionnaire, April 1995. Evaluation Report: 1995 Consumer Survey, "You and Your Health Plan," July 1996. An <u>E</u>valuation of the Minnesota Health Data Institute Report Card: <i>Vital Signs: A Guide to Health Care in the Northland</i>, June 30, 1999.</p>

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103.L.14.6F	6	<p>Report to the <u>M</u>innesota Medical Association (MMA), 1996-2002. 5 folders. July 1996. July 1997. 1998/1999, August 1999. 1999/2000, June 2000. 2001-2002, July 2002.</p> <p>1997 <u>M</u>edicaid and MinnesotaCare Managed Care Member Satisfaction Survey: Summary Report of Aggregate and Plan-Specific Comparisons, October 1997.</p> <p>Medicaid and MinnesotaCare Health Care Quality Survey Results, 1999.</p> <p>Minnesota Institute for Community Health Information: Financial Statements, 1997-2001.</p> <p>Report to the Minnesota Data Institute: The Sense of the Executive Committee About the Minnesota Health Care Information System, May 11, 1994. Presented by Benton International.</p> <p>You and Your Health Plan: 1995 Statewide Survey of Minnesota Consumers, 1995.</p>