

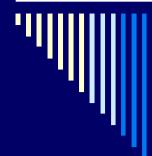
Nebraska Information
Technology Commission
and
eHealth Council

**Overview** 



## **NITC**

- Ten-member commission charged with developing a statewide vision and strategic plan to guide investments in information technology.
- Began under Executive Order in 1997 and recognized in statute in 1998.



### **NITC Commissioners**

- Lt. Governor Rick Sheehy, Chair
- Linda Aerni, Community Internet Systems
- Pat Flanagan, Mutual of Omaha
- □ Lance Hedquist, City of South Sioux City
- Daniel Hoesing, Laurel-Concord, Coleridge, & Newcastle Public Schools
- Mike Huggenberger, Great Plains Communications
- Doug Kristensen, University of Nebraska at Kearney
- Janie Park, Chadron State University
- Trev Peterson, Knudsen, Berkheimer, Richardson, & Endacott, LLP
- Senator Mick Mines



## **NITC Staff**

- Brenda Decker, CIO
- Steve Henderson
- Anne Byers
- Rick Becker
- Tom Rolfes
- Lori Lopez Urdiales



#### **NITC Mission Statement**

The mission of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission is to make the State of Nebraska's information technology infrastructure more accessible and responsive to the needs of its citizens, regardless of location, while making investments in government, education, health care and other services more efficient and cost effective.



#### **NITC Vision Statement**

□ "Promote the use of information technology in education, health care, economic development, and all levels of government services to improve the quality of life of all Nebraskans."



- Assisted by 5 advisory groups
  - Education Council
  - Community Council
  - eHealth Council
  - State Government Council
  - Technical Panel



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Community Council State Government Council

Education Council

eHealth Council

Technical Panel



# Statewide Technology Plan

- ☐ First plan developed in 2000.
- □ Plan is updated annually.
- □ In 2004, Strategic Initiatives were identified.



# Strategic Initiatives

- Network Nebraska
- Community IT Planning and Development
- eHealth
- Public Safety Communications System
- Digital Education



# Strategic Initiatives

- State Government Efficiency
- E-Government
- Security and Business Resumption



## Planning Process

- NITC (with input from councils and staff) reviews and approves strategic initiatives.
- The councils are charged with developing action plans.
- eHealth Council plan of work will be incorporated into the plan as the eHealth action plan.
- □ NITC approves the statewide technology plan.



## Role of Advisory Groups

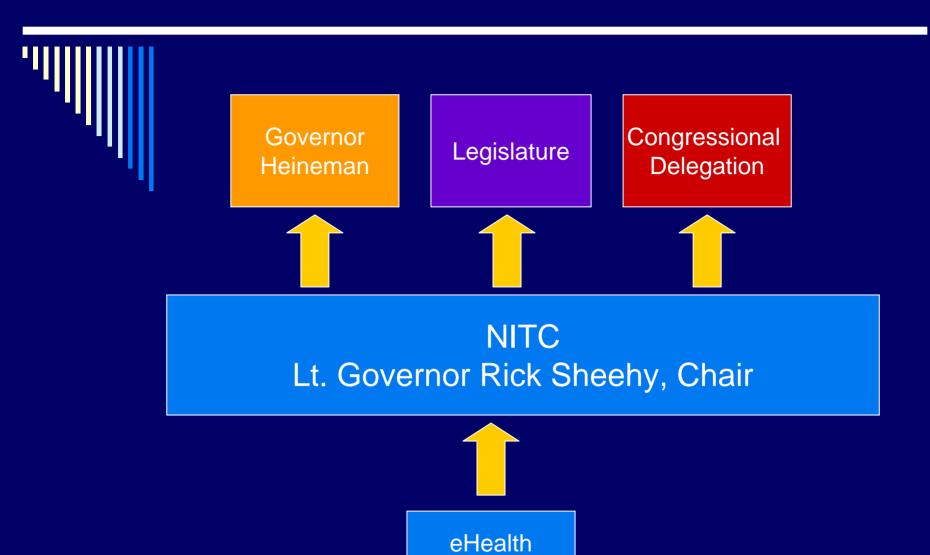
Councils carry out their mission by:

- Developing a plan of work which is incorporated into the statewide technology plan.
- Assisting in the implementation of action items.
- Making recommendations to the NITC.



## Implementing Action Plans

- Council members and staff are often involved.
- Collaboration with other entities is often required.
- Policy recommendations approved by the NITC are handled officially through Lt. Governor Sheehy.



Council



## eHealth Council

□ The eHealth Council was created to foster the collaborative and innovative use of eHealth technologies through partnerships between public and private sectors, and to encourage communication and coordination among eHealth initiatives in Nebraska.



- □ Reviewing the current status of healthcare information technology adoption by the healthcare delivery system in Nebraska;
- Addressing potential security, privacy and other issues related to the adoption of interoperable healthcare information technology in Nebraska;



Evaluating the cost of using interoperable healthcare information technology by the healthcare delivery system in Nebraska;



- Identifying private resources and public/private partnerships to fund efforts to adopt interoperable healthcare information technology;
- Supporting and promoting the use of telehealth as a vehicle to improve healthcare access to Nebraskans; and



□ Recommending best practices or policies for state government and private entities to promote the adoption of interoperable healthcare information technology by the healthcare delivery system in Nebraska.



### eHealth Council 2007

- Build a common understanding and shared vision of eHealth.
- Prioritize tasks set forth in charge to the eHealth Council.
- Develop a plan of work.
  - Planned track
  - Opportunity track

