Health Sciences Information Services

Vision

Enable world class health sciences teaching, research, and patient care through novel and exemplary technology solutions

Mission

Deliver foundational and transformational technology and analytics services to advance Yale University health sciences







Partners

School of Medicine (YSM), School of Nursing (YSN), School of Public Health (SPH), and Yale Health (YH).



Balanced Score Card Objectives FY23-FY25

Perspectives	Business Objectives
Stakeholders	 Engage governance partners across health sciences Deliver unified and easy to use application and support experiences
Financial Stewardship	 Forecast multi-year customer support costs Increase visibility of funds flow
Internal Process	 Standardize intake and workflow management Align identity and data processes with partner institutions
Organizational Learning & Growth	 Increase professional growth opportunities team-wide Simplify application development & data integration

Stakeholders

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Engage governance partners across health sciences	Engage advisory groups for IT spending and planning
Accomplishments	

- 1. Established new governance groups for bioinformatics, YCRC, Yale Health, YSM, specifically tied into data areas such as Space, Graduate School Funding & Research Enterprise
- 2. Regularly presented at YSM admin forum on new initiatives (e.g. models and rates for AV & IT support)
- 3. Initiated monthly project review meetings with YSM Deputy Dean of Finance and administration; semimonthly technology support reviews with YSM director of finance and administration
- 4. Initiated semi-monthly meetings with Finance to review Operational governance questions
- 5. Established monthly meetings with YSM leadership to discuss data integration needs and priorities.
- 6. Surveyed leaders form all 4 health campus units to inform IT Long Range plan for FY23 and FY24

Stakeholders

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Deliver unified and easy to use application and support experiences	 Restructure support teams for improved service coverage Standardize hybrid meeting and learning spaces Extend key data sets for education and faculty lifecycles
Accomplishments	

- 1. Onboarded over half of 4,000+ providers to enterprise physician scheduling (QGenda).
- 2. Supported comprehensive IT for new online Master of Science in Nursing.
- 3. Defined standards for IT & AV basic and specialized support
- 4. Renovated over 8 YSM AV rooms approved for renovation.
- 5. Defined MyApps virtualized Windows computer solution for remote staff and clinical facilities.
- 6. Created new data repositories/reports for key domains including Faculty Lifecycle Analytics (FLA), Space and Research Enterprise
- 7. Created new medical student graduate reports including national benchmarks and clerkship feedback
- 8. Created new applications for Diversity office & Finance and admin to track history of interactions with program participants & to replace static PDF forms with a multi-step online approval workflow





Serving our Stakeholders

Fall 2022 Opening of the Technology Support Service Center, embedded in the School of Medicine Library.



Financial Stewardship

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Forecast multi-year customer support costs	Develop multi-year plan to reduce technical debt and replace with more efficient infrastructure
Accomplishments	

- 1. Quantified technical debt in AV, Network, & software applications and proposed mitigation strategies for each.
- 2. Liaised with audio visual systems design in ITS to identify standards and inventory med campus rooms.
- 3. Liaised with Network design team to identify and improve the dead zones or weak WIFI in critical areas including the student dormitory identified via the accreditation review
- 4. Liaised with enterprise architecture on application inventory from 8 disparate data sources, by various mission areas, and by different cost centers, identified ~900 apps in use on health campus.
- 5. Advised guidelines for preferred custom applications platforms based on specific use cases.
- 6. Defined equipment lifecycle refresh recommendations for AV & laptops.

Financial Stewardship

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Increase visibility of funds flow	Create estimation guides for project and equipment lifecycles
Accomplishments	

- 1. Created project and resource estimation guides for consistent estimation and resource plans
- 2. Formalized billing service level agreement templates and support expectations with clients for full range of HSIS services
- 3. Introduced supervisory reports and leadership reports to show the overall IT investment and fund flow of all the internal and external purchases between IT/HSIS/Departments for each of the Health Sciences units

IT Community Summer Picnic Summer 2023



Internal Process

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Standardize intake and workflow management	Queue management tools for routine and project work
Accomplishments	

- 1. Increased adoption of ServiceNow for standard support tickets, including queues for all teams, templates for common requests, tutorials, delegated queue manager responsibilities, and online forms/email to intake to ease customer experience.
- 2. Expanded use of JIRA to record all software build requests coming into the application development teams to enable capacity planning, predict IT needs and prioritizing work.
- 3. Introduced new demand intake process to manage prioritization for new work and align with resource planning.
- 4. Updated AV event services intake and IT support services intake to reflect new delivery models
- 5. Defined key metrics for all operations and project work across intake platforms and summarized in monthly reports to leadership.

Internal Process

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Standardize intake and workflow management	Review team capacity plans at least monthly
Accomplishments	

- 1. Generated key metrics monthly to show resource plans grouped by functional areas or programs, shared monthly within all of HSIS and leadership in IT, operations, and health, and health units.
- 2. Established minimum standard for IT staff time needed to support new vendor applications or applications where HSIS is the technical owner
- 3. Created reports for each manager to review their team member's effort allocation across operations and projects.
- 4. Established semi-annual comprehensive planning with team managers to forecast and adjust full team plans.

Internal Process

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Align identity and data processes with partner institutions	Initiate polices for admin & research data sharing; Create Standard of Practice for Data Sharing with YNHHS
Accomplishments	

- 1. Facilitated planning with JDAT, YNHHS, InfoSec, Research Computing, and other university leaders for new policies and infrastructure needed to support the new bioinformatics and data science department.
- 2. Advanced discussions around joint identity access management across university and health system applications in coordination with new Chief Health Information Officer.
- 3. Spearheaded policy and technical planning about exchange of health requirements data for the joint provider workforce between YNHHS and the University.



Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Increase professional growth opportunities team-wide	Create competency-based frameworks for roles within department
Accomplishments	

- 1. Completed IT Job Family redesign with staff reporting through ITS. Scheduled expansion to YSM for early FY24
- 2. Expanded early career staff and intern roles and templates across HSIS teams in coordination with ITS.
- 3. Increased frequency and consistence of performance planning and individual development goals across team to match individual interests and knowledge gaps with specific training opportunities.

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Simplify application development & data integration	Prioritize training and certification for design thinking, project management, and low code development
Accomplishments	

Analyzed team skills and experience with core HSIS technologies and identified key software and methodologies to raise overall group capabilities:

- 1. Agile project management methodology: 17 team members involved in workshops.
- 2. Design Thinking methodology: 9 team members attended two separate training events
- 3. Salesforce platform training (low-code): 24 team members participated in training or workshops
- 4. OutSystems (low-code): 2 attended conference and 6 team members are scheduled for training in early FY24/
- 5. Power Bi: Cross-team mentorship to deepen skills, develop templates, simplify report development, reduce development timelines.

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Increase professional growth opportunities team-wide	Introduce job shadowing/peer coaching, standardize onboarding/training pathways
Accomplishments	

- 1. Created Training Advisory Group led by front-line support providers to define essential onboarding knowledge for new team members.
- 2. Identified essential technical support tools & references building on the ITS Help Desk training model.
- 3. Finalized training plan and piloted with recent hires.
- 4. Scheduled department-wide customer service workshop with external trainer in early FY24.

Objective	Planned Strategic Actions
Simplify application development & data integration	Increase professional growth opportunities
Accomplishments	

- 1. Represented Yale at national IT or health conferences, including AAMC, Gartner, and Educause.
- 2. Hosted 2-day workshop on extended reality technologies for clinical education with 15 Yale medicine/nursing/physician assistant online faculty and staff joined 35 higher ed and industry attendees
- 3. Increased formal training and certification prep for business analysis through PluralSight and International Institute of Business Analysis.
- 4. Deepened leadership skills of managers through continuous improvement coaching available to managers and formal training with: MOR, AAMC, Emerge at Yale, and Managing at Yale.
- 5. Created self-paced and small group team learning opportunities, such as a session on Psychological Safety and Emotional Intelligence.

Summary

HSIS made significant, measurable progress across the 8 strategic objectives in FY23.

We will further advance each of these objectives with new strategic actions in FY24.

For more information about FY23 activities, please out to Kathleen Omollo or John Eberhart.