Leveraging Partnerships, Policy, and Programs to Advance the Capacity and Infrastructure of Statewide Health Information Technology

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Navigating Federal Policy and Regulations and State Actions

Workshop Agenda

1. Welcomes and Overview
2. Federal Policy and Regulatory Landscape
3. Top 1-2 policies
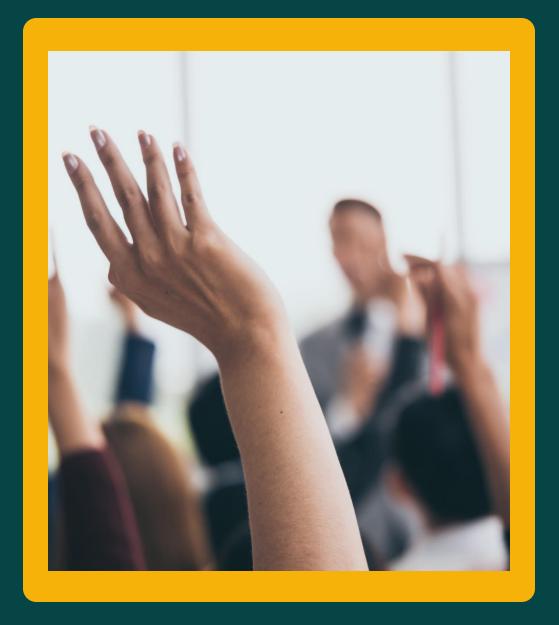4. Discussion – State Impacts, Resources, Readiness, and Actions
5. Workshop close out

Workshop Overview & Objectives

Overview

- Discuss **federal** policy landscape impacting health technology – data, interoperability, and infrastructure
- Understand compliance requirements, **impacts**, and resources

Objectives:

- To equip state health technology leaders with the knowledge to identify key federal policies and regulations impacting states and state agencies

- To understand timelines and compliance requirements

- To understand an assess their state's current standing

- To explore resources for planning and implementation

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Who or what type of organization do you represent?

- States/state agencies
- HIEs/HDUs
- APCDs/QIOs/RHICs
- Providers/Payers
- Others?

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Group Discussion

Federal Policy and Regulatory

CMS – Medicaid & Medicare

• O/IPPS
• Patient Access and Interoperability Rules
  • Patient access API
  • Provider access API
  • Payer to payer API
  • Prior Auth API
• CMS Advancing Interoperability and Improving Prior Authorization Processes Final Rule (CMS-0057-F) 3 – Prior Authorization
  • FHIR requirement
  • Provider Directory

CDC

• Implementing Public Health Information Grant and Implementation Centers
• Partners - Implementation Centers
• Standards
  • USCDI+
  • FHIR
• Others

ASTP

• 21st Century Cures Act – Information Blocking and Interoperability
• TEFCA
  • FHIR
  • QHINs
• HTI-1 Final and HTI-2 (proposed rule)
• Draft FHIR Action Plan
• USCDI and how to use it and implement it (v6)
  • USCDI + (public health)
  • USCDI + (quality)
• HHS Alignment for health IT investments (proposed rule)

Other agencies

• SAMHSA – Part 2
• ACL - AAAI&R/A
• OCR – HIPAA (sharing HRSN/SDOH with non-covered entities/CBOs)
• OCR – HIPAA NPRM Rule to Support Reproductive Health Care Privacy
• OMB - SB15
• Others?

Federal Funding and Initiatives

Funding and Initiatives

- CMS MES Certification
- AHRQ Extension Service – <u>State based solutions to healthcare improvement</u>
- CDC Public Health Improvement Grant
- CDC Implementation Centers
- President's Budget 2025 – BH Incentives for EHRs*
- CMMI models - AHEAD model
- USDA – WIC modernization
- ACL – AAAs, CCHs, Disability Network integration
- Others

Anticipated Guidance

- New CMS MES Certification updates
- Others

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Prioritization Activity

1. Get 3 dots for who you represent:
   - ● States
   - ● HIEs/data organizations
   - ● Providers/payers
   - ● Others
2. Place the dots next to the policies/regulations that are most important to your organization/agency
3. Add new policies with post-it notes to the appropriate board

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Top Policy – Deep Dive (part 1)

1. Confirm scope of top policy

2. Impacted partners and roles:
   - Statewide
   - State Medicaid agencies
   - Public health
   - Partners agencies
   - HDUs/HIEs/APCDs/QIOs/other data orgs
   - Providers (care and services)
   - Managed care organizations (MCOs)
   - Vendors
   - Others

3. Compliance timelines and important deadlines

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Top Policy – Deep Dive (Part 2)

Impacts, Readiness, and Actions

- States role(s)
- Impact
  - Strategies to address impacts
  - State approaches for federal regulations
    - <u>Planning stage</u>
    - <u>Implementation</u>
    - <u>Operationalizing</u>
- Challenges

Resource Review

- Identify available federal resources, technical assistance programs, grants, and peer support

Wrap-Up and Next Steps

- Final questions

- Summarize key points

- What additional resources or activities would be helpful to continue this conversation?

- What would be most useful for states?

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