

# Accelerated Health Information Interoperability

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# The Need for Progress

- Accessible, reliable health data will improve care quality, population health, healthcare cost-efficiency
- Billions of dollars being invested in new payment, delivery systems
  - Nationwide information sharing critical to optimizing systems, achieving high-value care
- As of 2013, less than 2/3 of hospitals could exchange data outside their organizations

# Barriers to Advancement

- Workgroup identified challenges to full system interoperability, including:
  - Conflicting and competing standards
  - Need to disseminate best practices in patient identification and matching
  - Lack of consensus on clinical workflow and payment reform best practices
  - Complex provider collaborations in new delivery, payment models

# The NDHI Recommendations

- Establish a hard deadline – December 31, 2018 – for nationwide interoperable health information exchange
- Private sector must lead progress with a limited role for government
- Support an open IT platform
- Information blocking must be prohibited