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## **RCE Monthly Informational Call**

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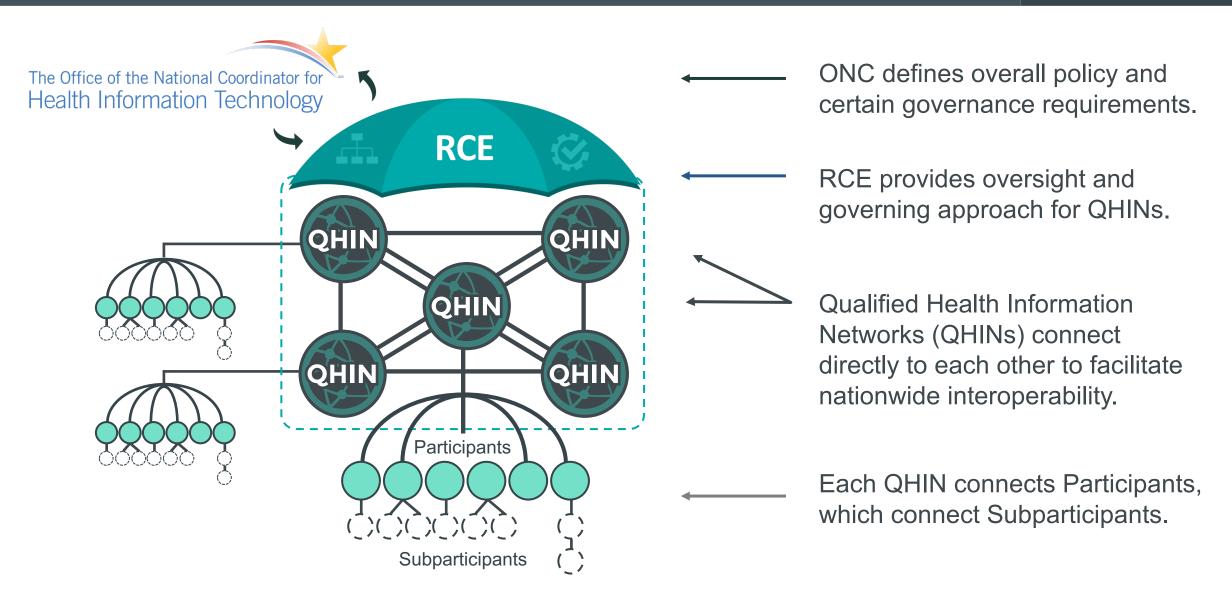
## Agenda



- How will Exchange Work under TEFCA?
- What are the TEFCA Components?
- Status Updates
  - » HIMSS
  - » Onboarding & Designation
  - » TEFCA Facilitated FHIR Implementation Guide Testing
  - » Payment & Healthcare Operations
  - » Public Health
  - » Common Agreement v2
- Questions & Answers

### How will exchange work under TEFCA?





## TEFCA Components







# HIMSS 2023 Debrief

#### HIMSS TEFCA RCE Activities



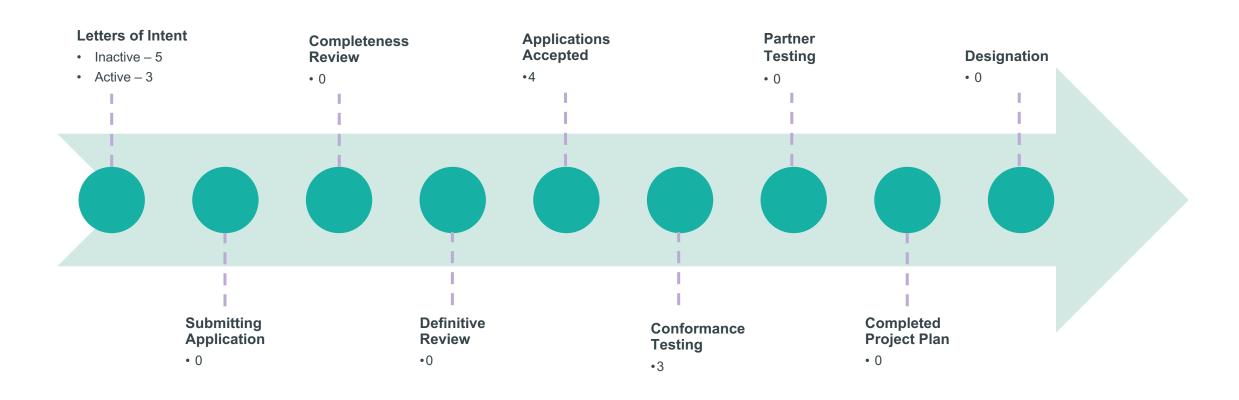
- ONC TEFCA Update from the RCE
- Securing TEFCA: Security Practices Promoting Nationwide Health information Exchange
- Payment & Healthcare Operations SOP Feedback Session
- Candidate QHIN Feedback Session with HHS
- Multiple panel discussions with candidate QHINs



# Onboarding & Designation

## QHIN Application and Onboarding & Designation







# TEFCA Facilitated FHIR Implementation Guide Testing

### FHIR Pilot



- TEFCA Facilitated FHIR Implementation Guide Testing
  - » HL7 FHIR Connectathon
    - May 6-7 New Orleans, Louisiana
    - Nine Organizations participated:
      - CareEvolution, eClinicalWorks, eHealth Exchange, EMR Direct, Evernorth, Health Gorilla, Infor, MEDITECH, Surescripts
    - Continued validation
      - UDAP and TEFCA extension requirements
      - RCE Directory submission/queries
      - Defined clinical scenarios
    - Further clarity of extensions, and simplification of document and references
    - Clarification around certificates



## Payment & Healthcare Operations

## Payment & Health Care Operations SOPs



Collect stakeholder input to inform the first version of the TEFCA Payment & Health Care
 Operations Exchange Purpose Implementation SOPs to be published in 2023.

Date	Activity
Jul 2022 – Nov 2022	1:1 SME Interviews & Small Group Meetings
Dec 2022	Focus Groups with ONC
Jan 2023- March 2023	Refine Draft SOPs with ONC
March 2023	Publish SOPs for Stakeholder Comment
June 2023	Publish SOPs for Production

### Two SOPs: Use Case Definitions



- Health Care Operations: Limited means any of the following activities to the extent permitted by Applicable Law and the Common Agreement:
  - » Conducting quality assessment and improvement activities, including outcomes evaluation and development of clinical guidelines, provided that the obtaining of generalizable knowledge is not the primary purpose of any studies resulting from such activities; patient safety activities (as defined in 42 CFR 3.20); population-based activities relating to improving health or reducing health care costs, protocol development, case management and care coordination, contacting of health care providers and patients with information about treatment alternatives; and related functions that do not include treatment
- Payment: Risk Adjustment means the following:
  - » Risk adjusting amounts due based on individual and/or enrollee health status and demographic characteristics.

## Stakeholder Input



- General support for proposed HCO: Limited definition
- General unease with Risk Adjustment definition
- Split feedback regarding expanding use case definitions versus providing further specificity
- Consideration for entities that serve both payer and provider functions
- Align with ONC NPRM to move to USCDI v3
- General support for waiting for FHIR to require responses
- Additional clarity requested on "on Behalf of" entities
- Add more specificity to purpose of use codes



# Public Health Implementation SOP

## Public Health Exchange Purpose



- Initial public health agency input group completed final review of Public Health Educational Document
- Kicking off a drafting team to develop the PH Exchange Purpose Implementation SOP – June 1, 2023 – August, 2023



## Common Agreement and QTF v2



- Updating Common Agreement and QTF to support FHIR
- Considering changes based on stakeholder feedback
- Streamlining Common Agreement for efficiency and flexibility

### **Educational Resources**



#### Resources

- Common Agreement v. 1
- QHIN Technical Framework
- FHIR® Roadmap for TEFCA
- Standard Operating Procedures
- QHIN Application
- Communication Protocols
- User's Guide
- Benefits of TEFCA by Stakeholder Factsheets
- FAQs

https://rce.sequoiaproject.org/tefca-and-rce-resources/

Additional Resources:

https://www.healthit.gov/tefca

Upcoming Monthly Informational Call: Tuesday, June 20 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. ET

All Events Registration and Recordings: <a href="https://rce.sequoiaproject.org/community-engagement/">https://rce.sequoiaproject.org/community-engagement/</a>



# Questions & Answers

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