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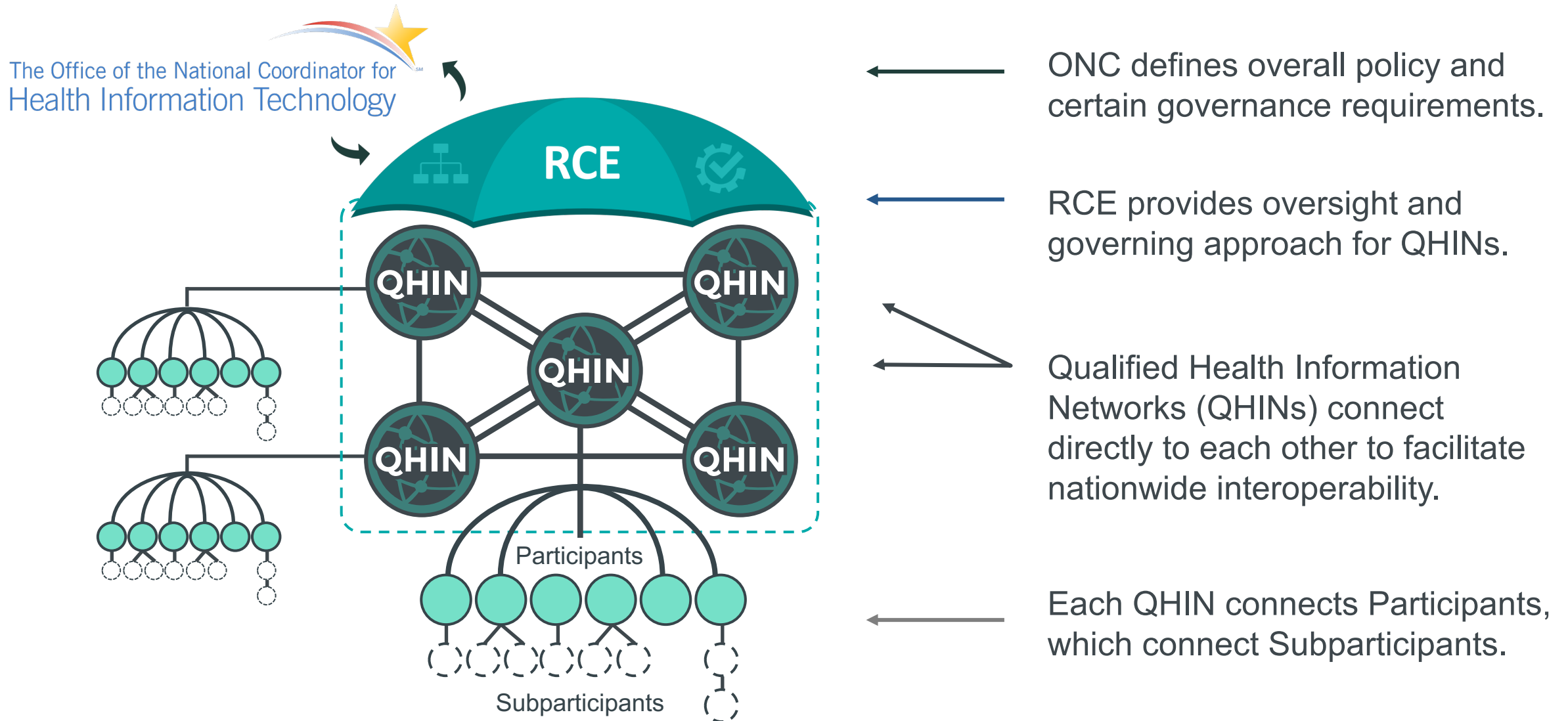
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# How will exchange work under TEFCA?



# TEFCA Components



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Trusted  
Exchange  
Framework



Common  
Agreement



Standard  
Operating  
Procedures



QHIN  
Technical  
Framework



QHIN  
Onboarding



Metrics



Governing  
Approach



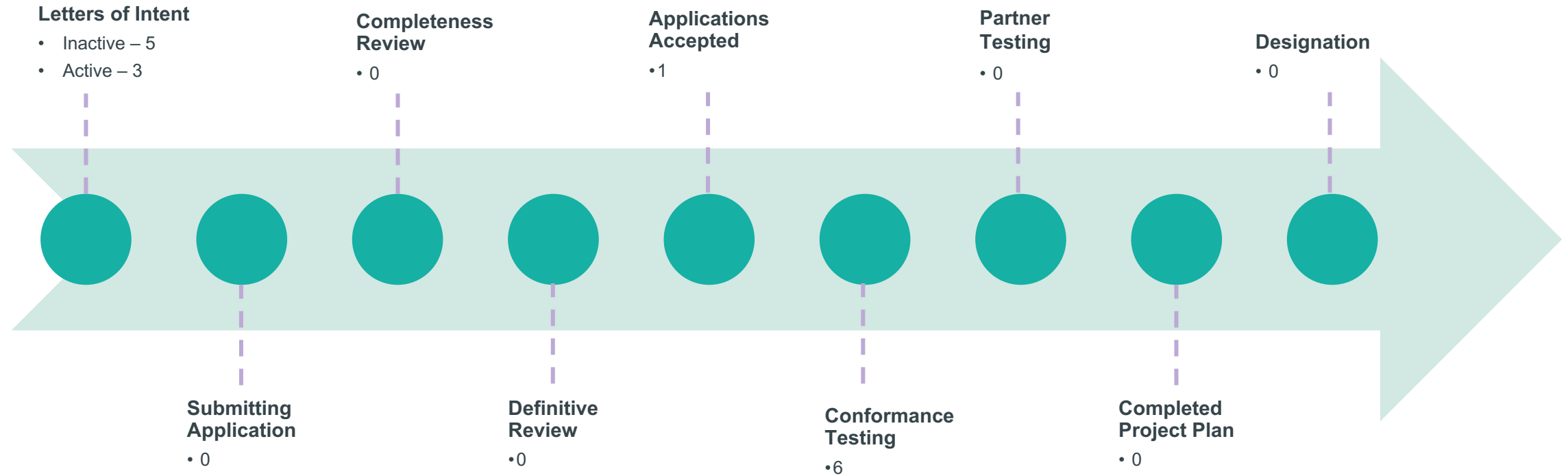
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# Onboarding & Designation

# QHIN Application and Onboarding & Designation



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# Payment & Healthcare Operations



# Payment & Health Care Operations SOPs



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- 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
July 2023	Publish SOPs for Production



- **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.



- 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



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# Public Health Implementation SOP

# Public Health Exchange Purpose



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- Initial public health agency input group completed – final review of Public Health Educational Document
- Kicked off a drafting team to develop the PH Exchange Purpose Implementation SOP – June 1, 2023 – August 2023
- Plan to collect additional stakeholder feedback on draft



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# TEFCA Facilitated FHIR Implementation Guide Testing



- 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



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# Common Agreement and QHIN Technical Framework v2



# Common Agreement v2 and QTF v2 Timeline



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Activity	Targeted timeline
TEFCA Task Group with QTF subgroup	<b>Early Q4 2023</b>
Publish drafts for stakeholder feedback	<b>Late Q4 2023</b>
Publish final CA v2 and QTF v2	<b>Q1 2024</b>



## 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, July 18 | 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. ET

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



# Questions & Answers

For more information:  
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