

Health IT Advisory Council

October 20, 2016

Session 7

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions	1:00 pm
Public Comment	1:05 pm
Review and Approval of Minutes – 9/15/16	1:10 pm
Review of Previous Action Items	1:15 pm
Updates	
• Appointments	1:20 pm
• HITO Search	
Federal Context for Delivering HIE Services in Connecticut	1:30 pm
Implementing HIE Services in Connecticut	
• Alert Notification Services	1:50 pm
• eCQMs	
Federal Financing Information	2:30 pm
Wrap-up and Next Steps	2:45 pm



Public Comment



Review and Approval of September 15, 2016 Minutes

Review of Action Items

Action Items	Responsible Party	Follow Up Date
SIM HIT Council Report	Sarju Shah	9/15/2016- COMPLETED
Overview of MACRA	Faina Dookh	9/15/2016 - COMPLETED
Overview of Alert Notification Strategy	CedarBridge Group	10/20/2016
eCQM Learning Experience	CedarBridge Group	11/17/2016
eCQM RFI/RFP Process	CedarBridge Group	11/17/2016

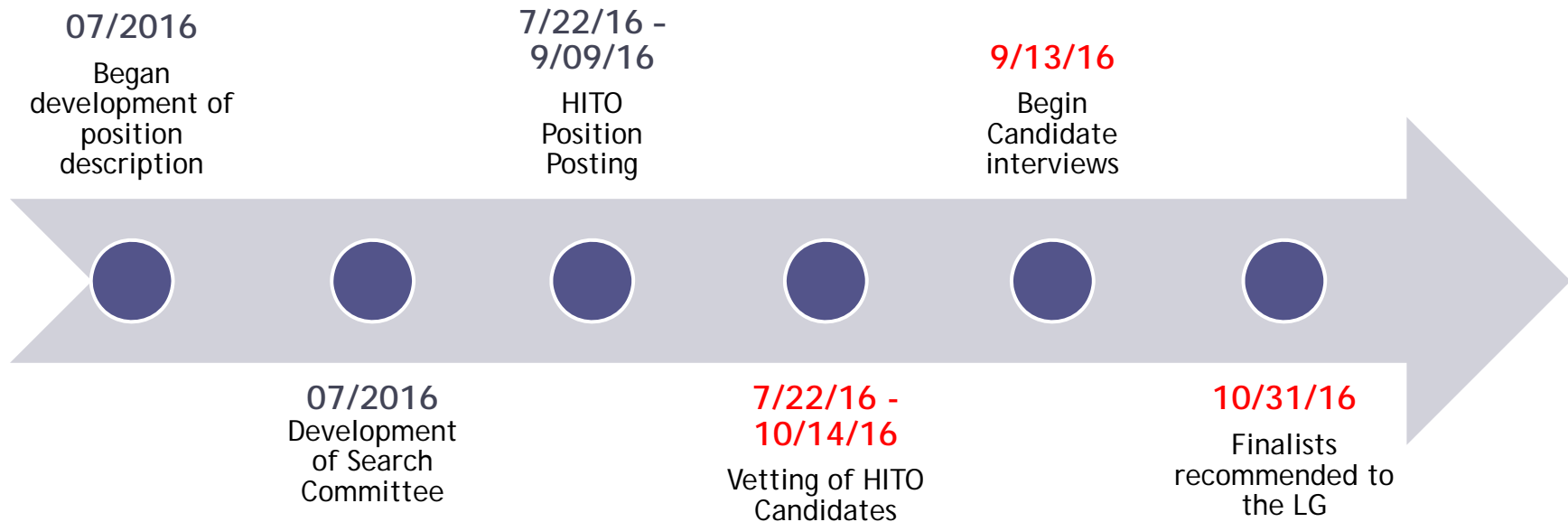


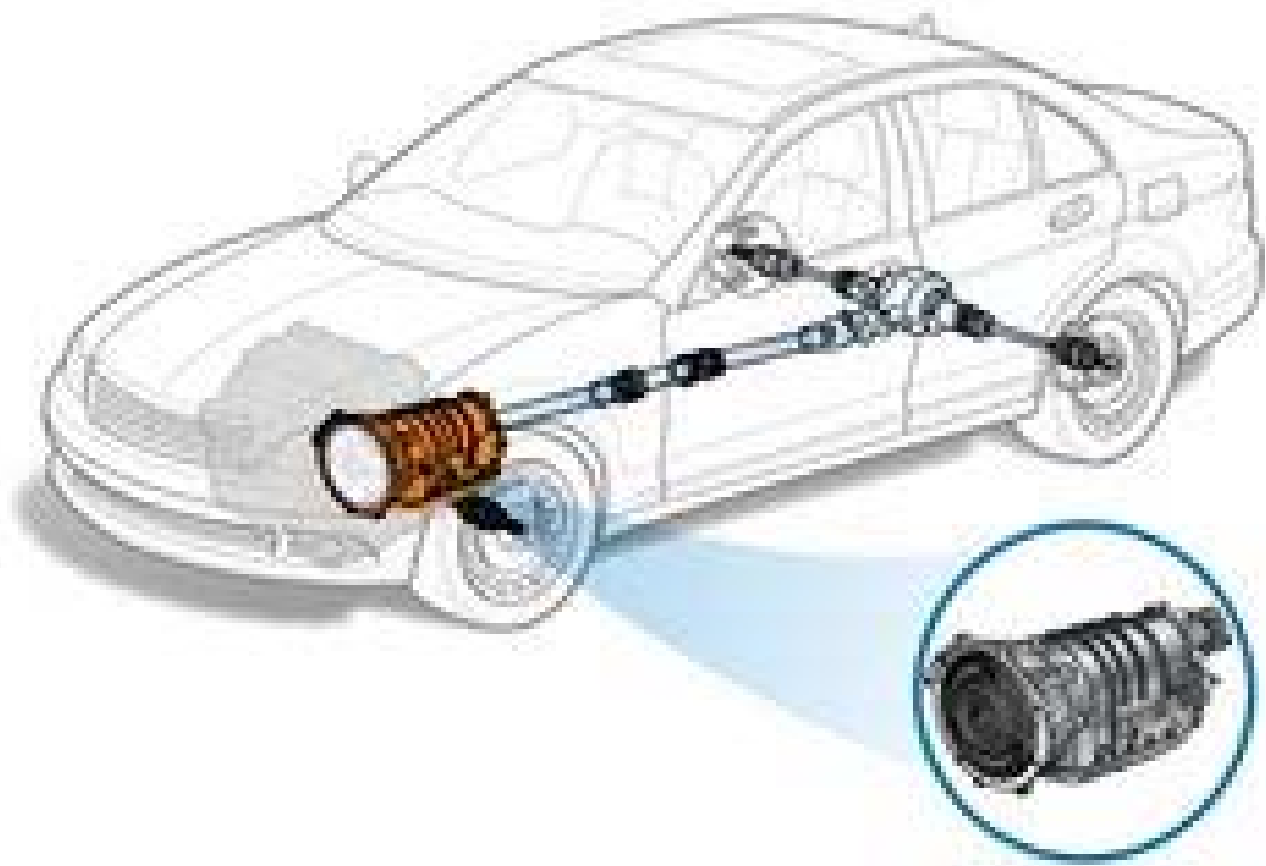
Updates

Pending Appointments

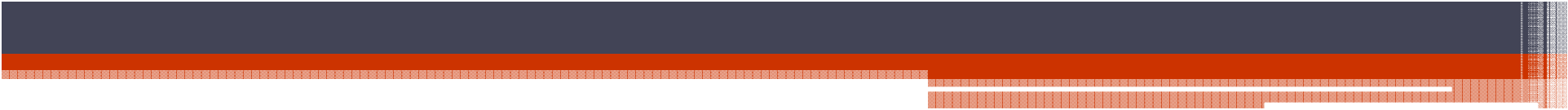
Name	Represents	Appointment by
Robert Rioux	An FQHC	Sen. Looney
TBD	Technology expert who represents a hospital system	Rep. Sharkey
TBD	Provider of home health care services	Rep. Sharkey
TBD	Health care consumer or health care consumer advocate	Rep. Sharkey

HITO Search









Federal Context: Delivering Services to Exchange Health Information in Connecticut

Federal Technical Assistance for Connecticut's State Innovation Model Provided by ONC / CMS



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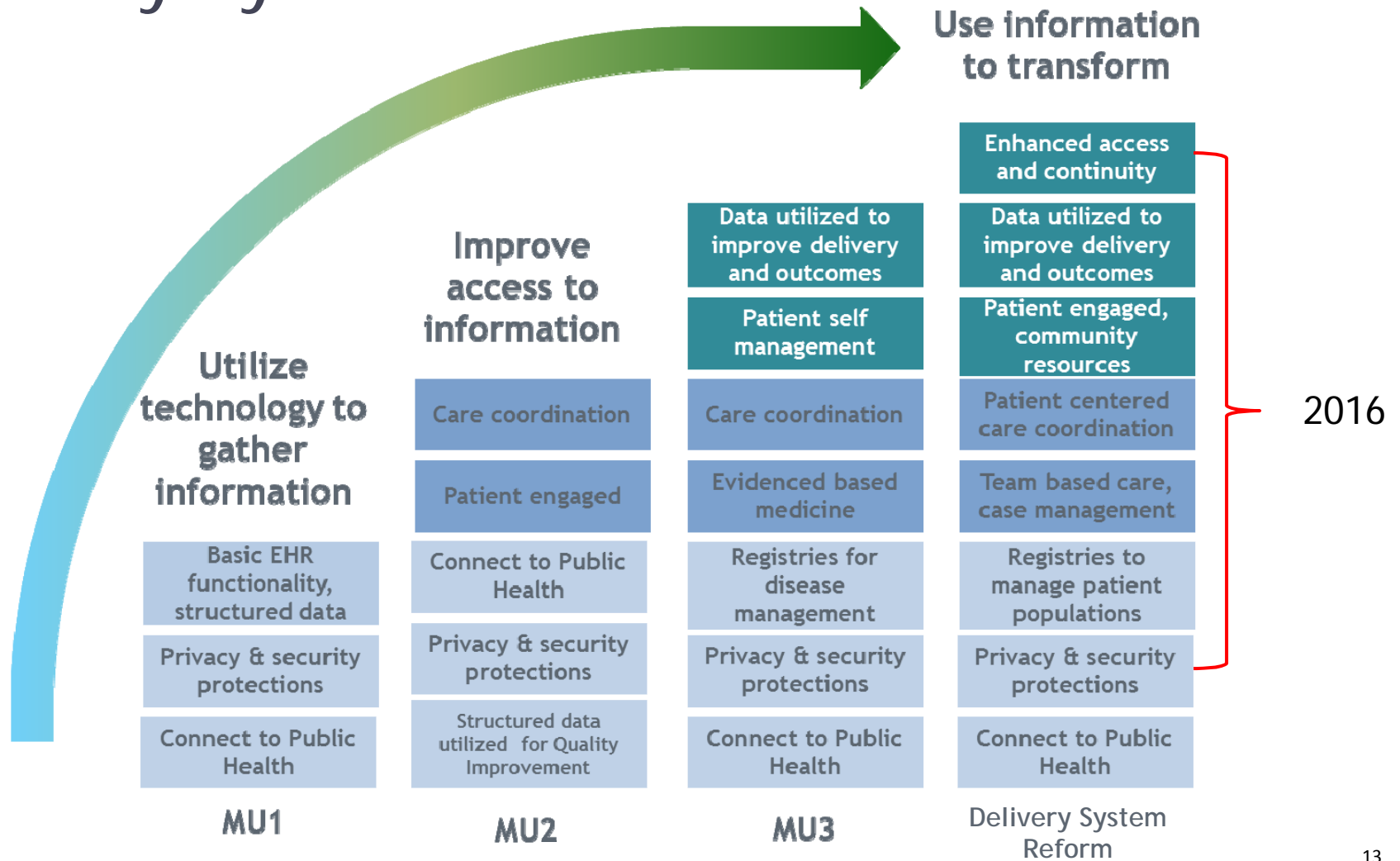


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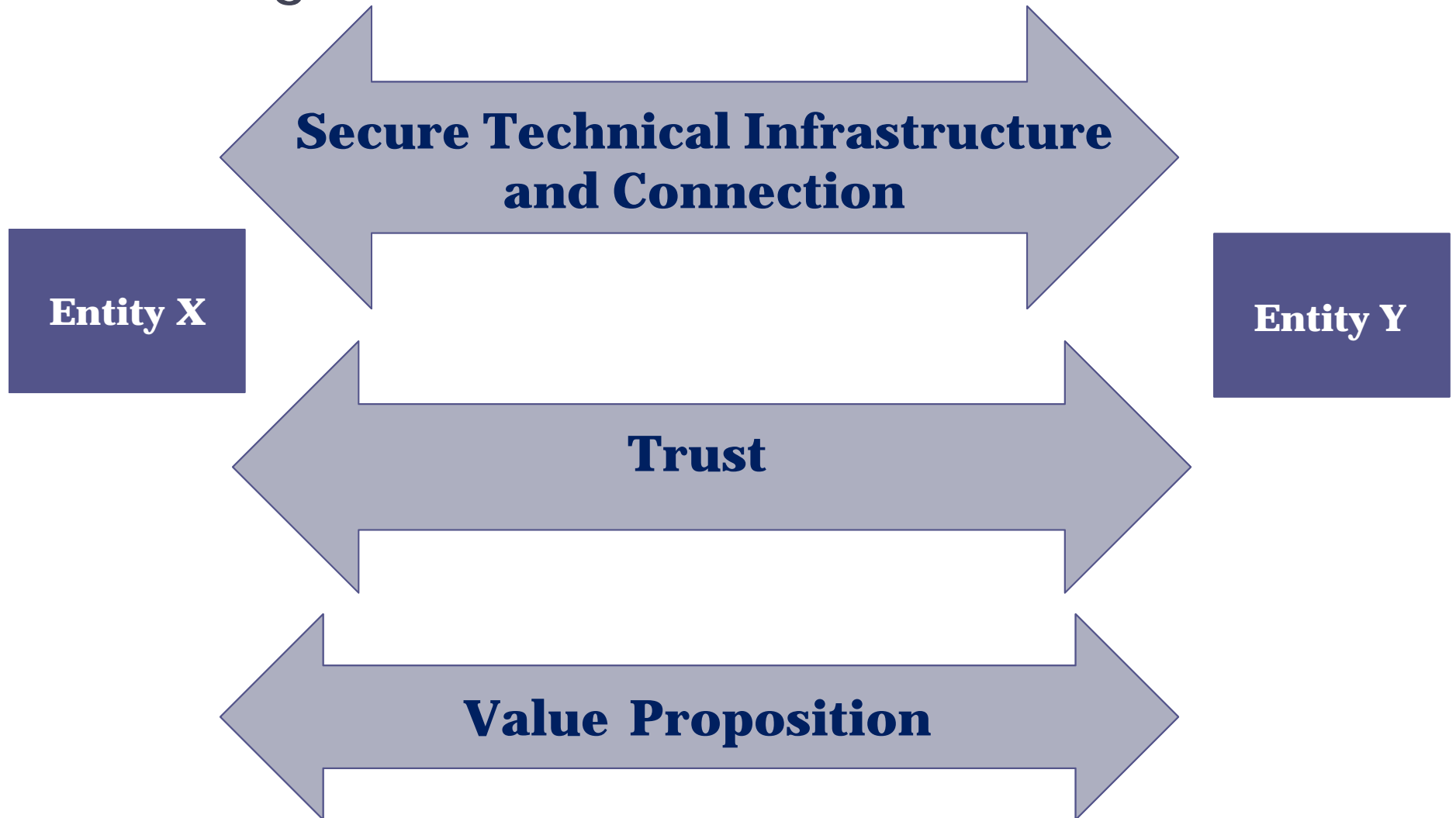


Tom Novak
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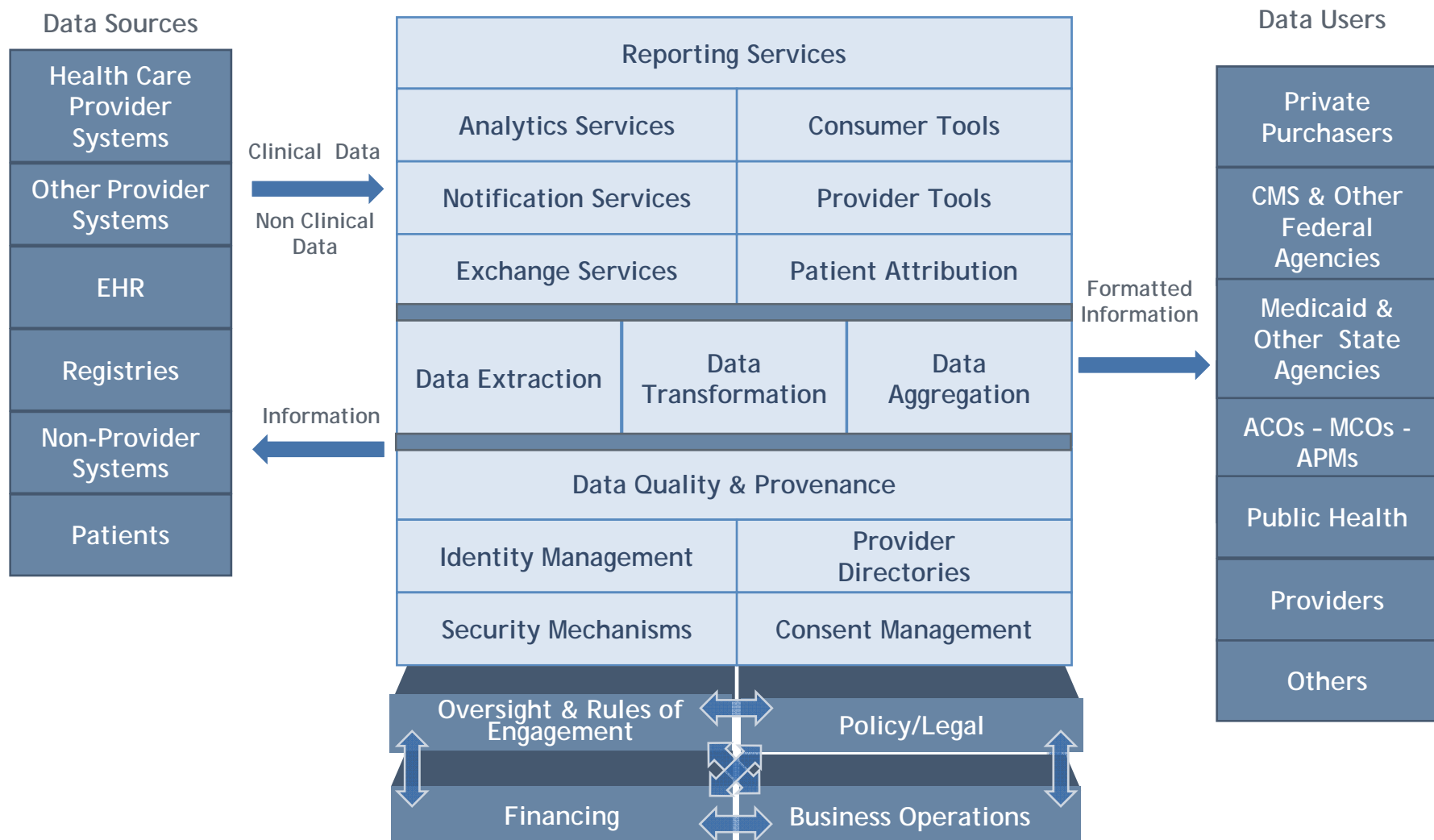
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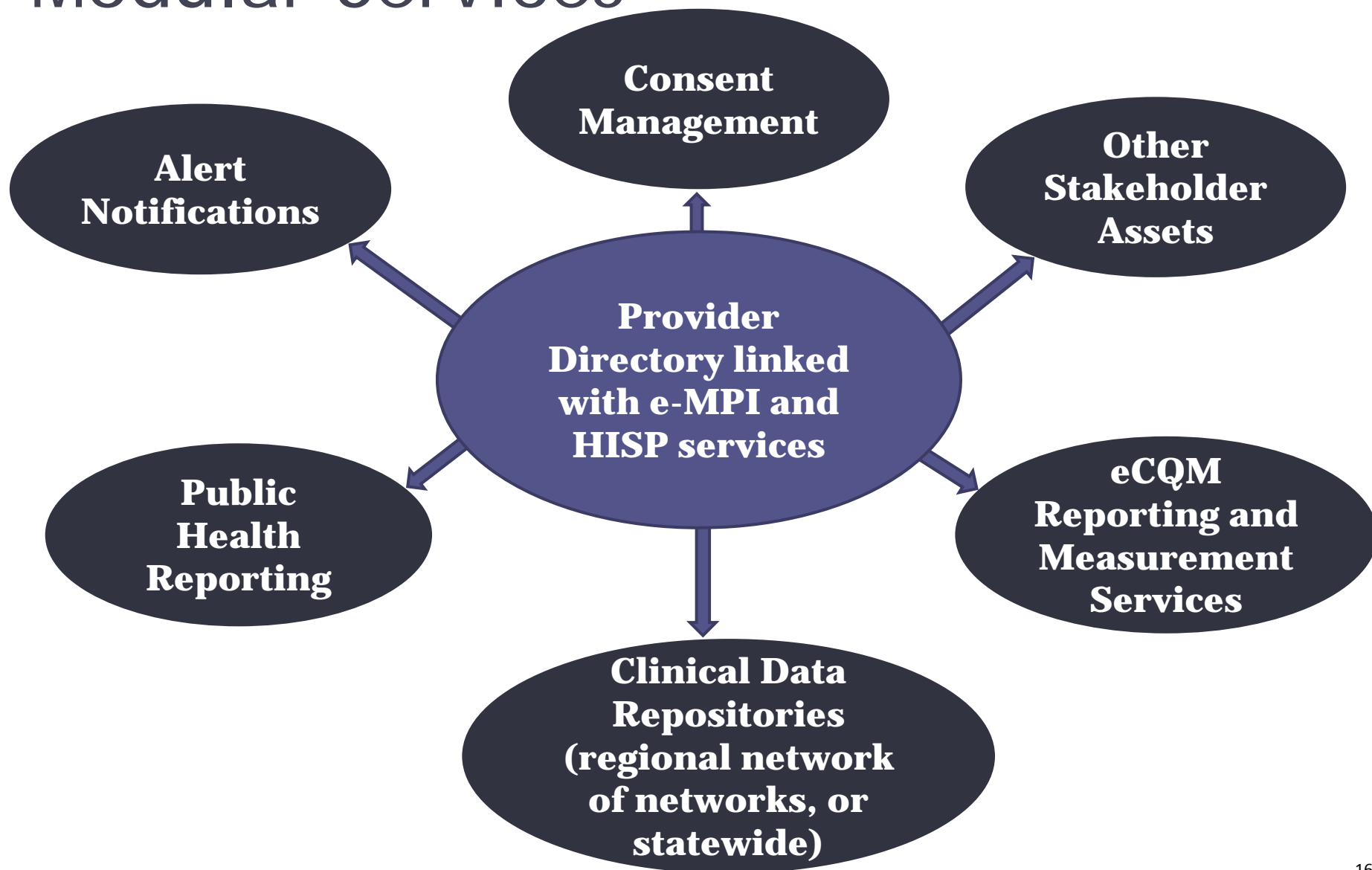
Three Requirements for Exchange of Information



Modular Functionalities and Foundation Elements to Operationalize the Exchange of Information



Modular Services





Policy and Program Drivers

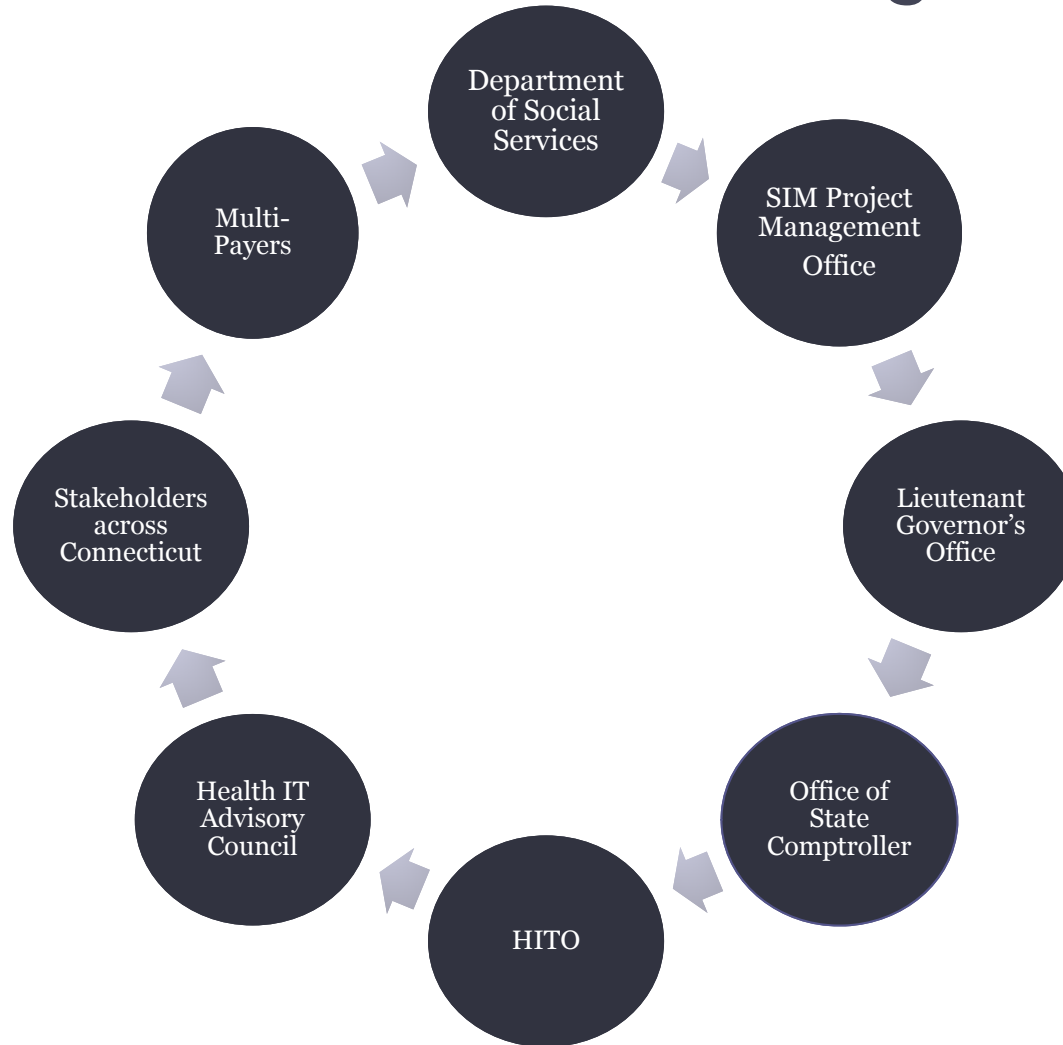
- Connecticut's SIM award commits the state to support multi-payer participation in value-based payment models to achieve “Triple Aim” care transformation goals.
- Legislative Acts: 15-146 and 16-77 support these efforts.
- Health IT supports healthier people, healthier communities and improved health equity.



Timing Drivers

- SIM award requires the implementation of PCMH+, Advanced Medical Home and CCIP using robust statewide exchange of health information by 9/27/2017
- Medicaid funding requires accommodating IAPD-Us, etc.

Collaborative Planning Needed





Implementing Health Information Exchange Services in Connecticut

Council Discussion



Alert Notification Services: Council Discussion

Use Case Proposal

Begin with an initial use case for hospital alert notifications to a subset of providers for individuals on Medicaid

Establish a schedule of activities to support production of additional alert notification messages

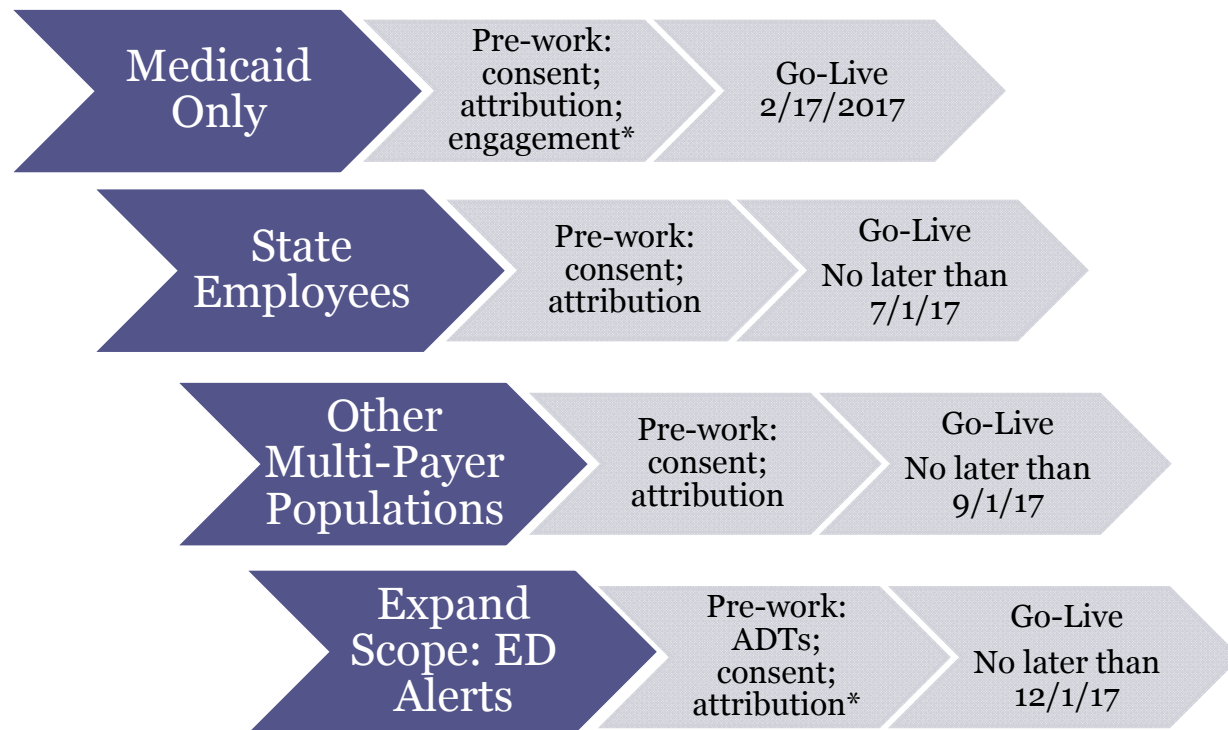
Expand to additional notifications to providers for individuals covered by multi-payers

Initial Use Case Approach

- Population: Begin with Medicaid patient-provider attribution and include only Medicaid patients and physician providers for 2/17/17 go-live
 - Current Medicaid strategy to begin with one FQHC (13 sites)
 - Through HITO-led engagement of payers/providers/consumers to begin once the HITO is on board, explore timetable to expand this strategy to include all FQHCs and Advanced Networks
- Scope: Begin with hospital ADT-based alert notifications for admissions, discharges, and transfers
 - Key areas of focus:
 - Accurate patient matching
 - Transitioning from manual to automated workflows
 - Timely receipt of alerts
 - Provider follow-up workflows
 - Demonstrating cost savings to participants

Use Case Approach:

First and Subsequent Populations & Expanding Scope of Notifications



* HITO-led engagement of hospitals and provider networks in Connecticut to evaluate existing private-sector technology assets, in order to determine how those can be leveraged, where possible

Process to Select Use Case Strategy for Alert Notification Services

As part of the state's strategy, HITO will support engagement of hospitals and providers to align and leverage strategies:

Identify and evaluate health IT needs related to alert notifications	Understand current alert notification solutions that have been invested in by hospitals and provider groups	Determine if current hospital/provider alert notification solutions can easily interoperate with Medicaid alert notification strategy	Determine if enhancements of current hospital and/or provider solutions are needed to meet alert notification needs of providers
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Use Case Proposal Timeline

**October 20, 2016
Advisory Meeting**

- **Mutual understanding of**
 - Medicaid use case no later than 2/17/17
 - Expansion of Medicaid use case to state employees no later than 7/1/17
 - Expansion of Medicaid use case to general population no later than 9/1/17

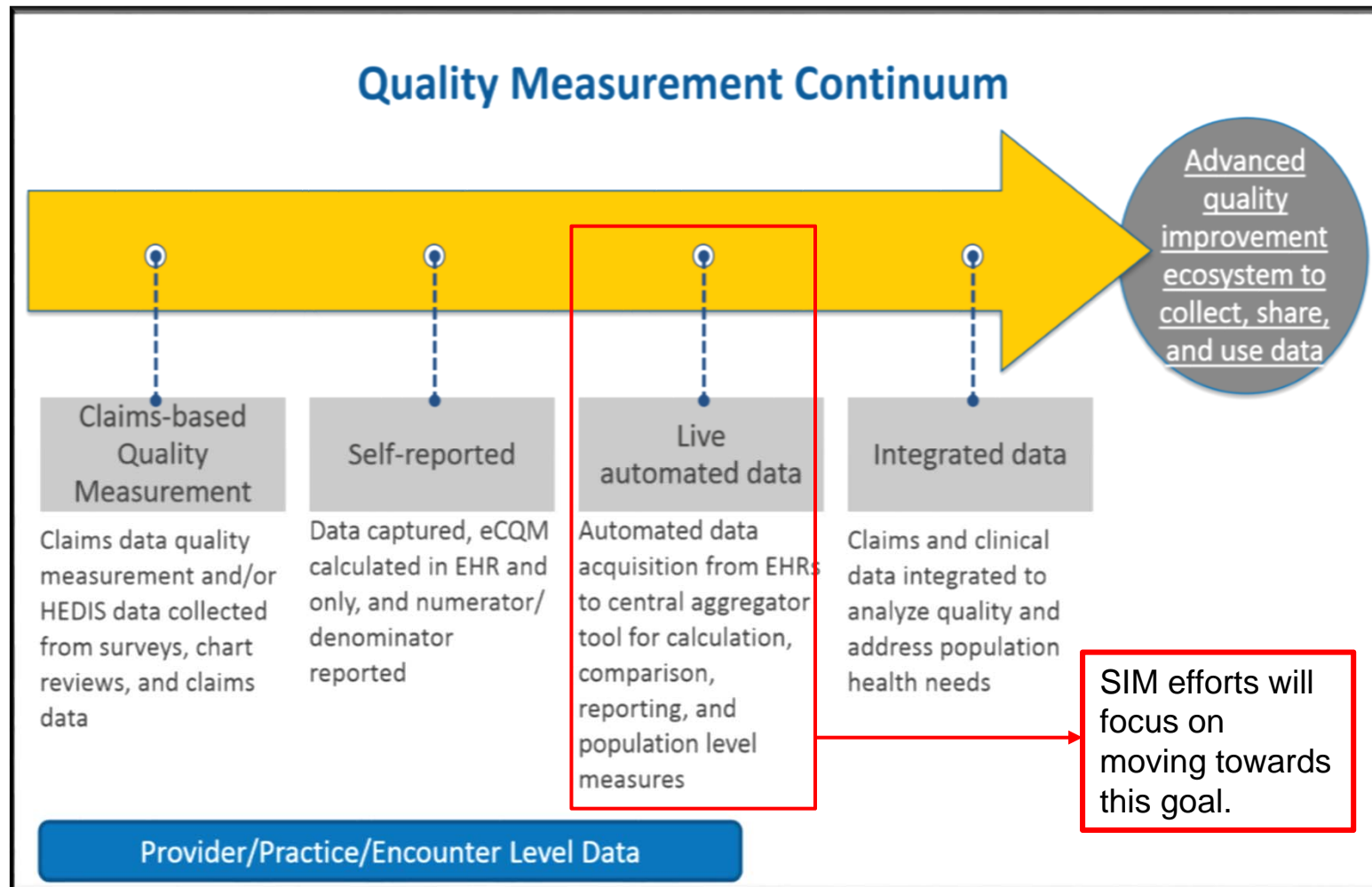
**November 17, 2016
Advisory Meeting**

- **Mutual understanding of**
 - Identify additional work required to support the expanded use case
 - Identify incremental support requirements for multi-payer individuals and providers



eCQM Planning

ONC Guidance: Developing eCQMs



Background on eCQMs

- Measuring and reporting CQMs has been shown to ensure care is delivered safely, effectively, equitably and timely
- Electronic CQMs (**eCQMs**) use data from EHRs, registries, and/or HIT clinical systems to measure health care quality
- Four federal agencies are supporting as well as driving the adoption of eCQMs:
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS),
 - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ),
 - National Library of Medicine (NLM), and
 - Office of the National Coordinator (ONC)

eCQM Planning Activities for November Council Meeting

- In planning for the November meeting, would the Council be interested in:
 - eCQM educational webinars with other states?
 - Invited guest speaker for the November meeting?
- Discussing the timeline for development of an RFI/RFP for a Connecticut eCQM Reporting System?
- What else would you like to see?



Federal Financing for Health IT to Support Medicaid Providers

Federal Financial Participation

There are two primary federal funding streams for state-led health information technology initiatives.

These funds are administered through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and are designed to support health transformation initiatives and improvements to state Medicaid programs.

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ARRA HITECH Act* funding is available through 2021 to support Medicaid providers' participation in value-based payment models with an enabling health IT infrastructure and technical assistance

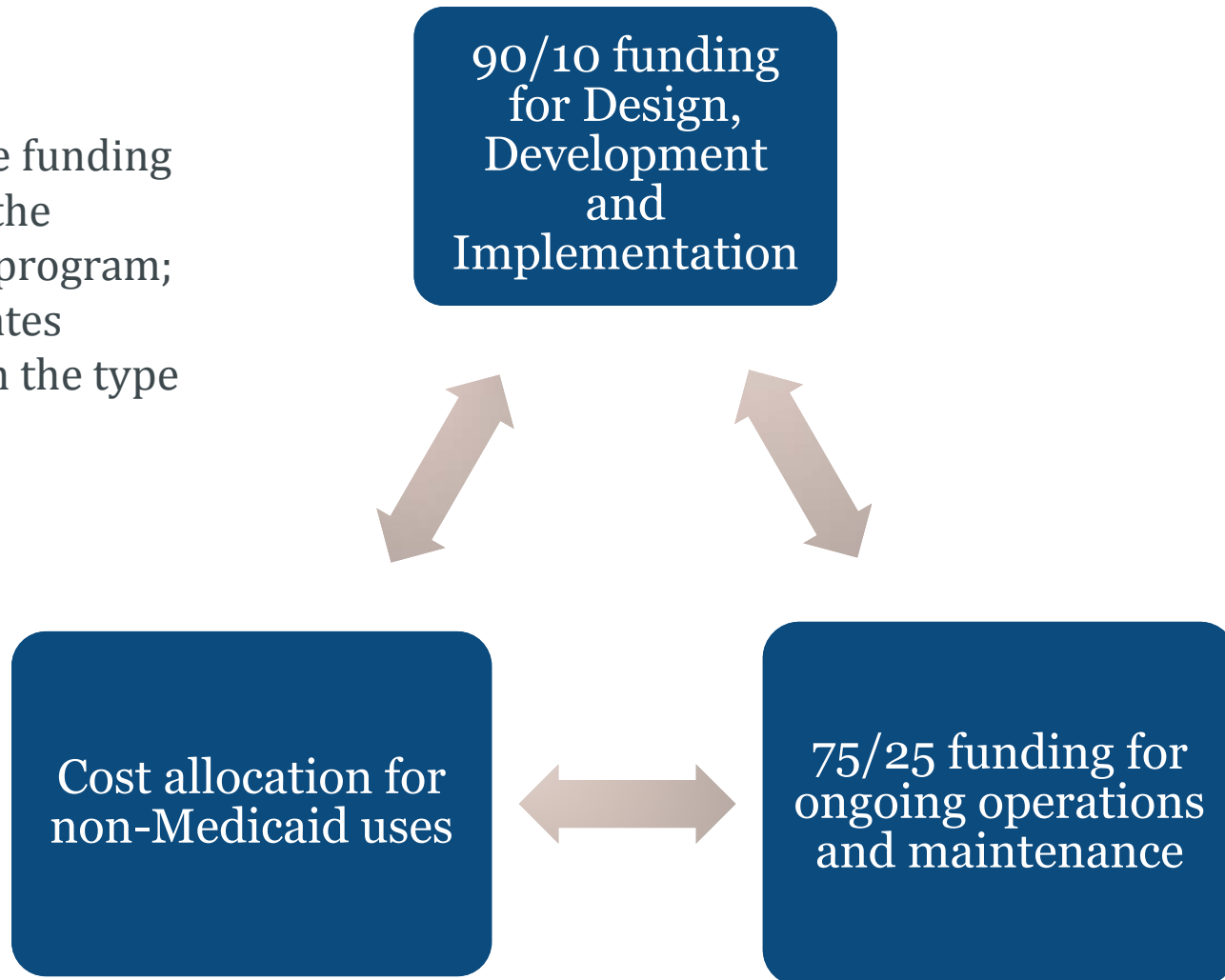
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Medicaid Enterprise funding relates to the Medicaid program and is available in perpetuity

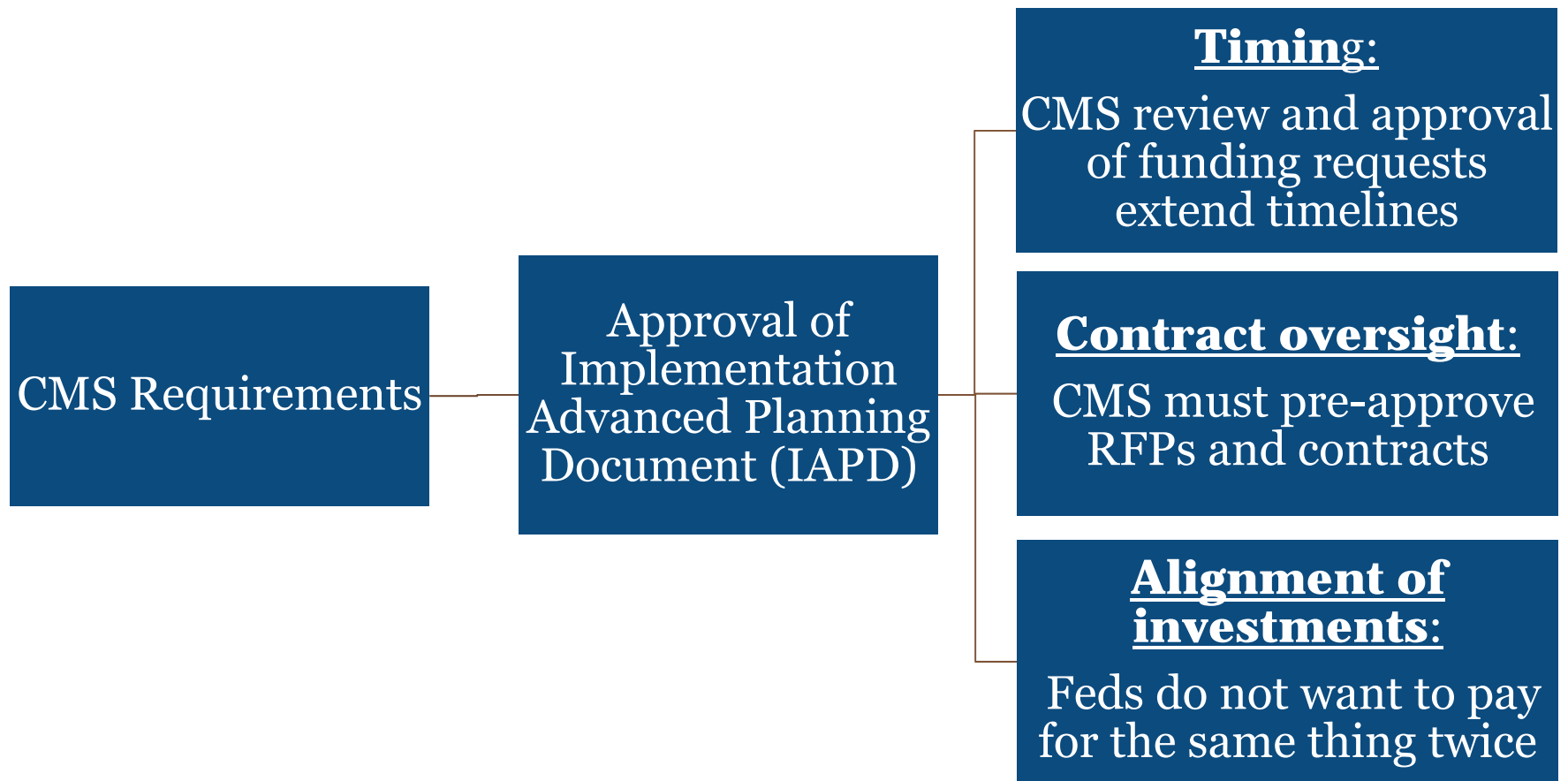
* ARRA is the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The Health Information Technology for Clinical and Economic Health (HITECH) Act is a section of ARRA.

Medicaid Enterprise Funding

Medicaid Enterprise funding supports the Medicaid program; funding rates depend on the type of activity



Further Considerations



Implementation Advanced Planning Documents (IAPD/IAPD-U)

- Careful alignment and coordination with other funding sources
 - To include discussions with CMS and addressed in an Implementation Advance Planning Document Update (IAPD-U)

- Collaboration to draft an IAPD-U for submission to support *planning activities* for the implementation of Alert Notifications and eQMs to Medicaid (first) and non-Medicaid Providers (subsequently) between:
 - Office of Lieutenant Governor
 - SIM Project Management Office
 - Office of State Comptroller
 - Dept. of Social Services

Implementation Advanced Planning Documents (IAPD/IAPD-U)

- The Planning IAPD will include a strategy for engaging stakeholders in the development of future use cases, including:
 - Payer populations
 - Provider populations (e.g., behavioral health, long-term post acute care, home health, etc.)
 - Consumers and caregivers
- Strategy will outline a process for determining timing and scope of future alert notification services (e.g., ED, transitions of care, others)
- Targeted submission date to CMS 11/1/2016



Next Steps



Wrap up and Next Steps

- Upcoming Meetings
 - November 17, 2016
 - December 15, 2016
- Future Agenda Item Requests

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