# 2020-2025 Federal Health IT Strategic Plan

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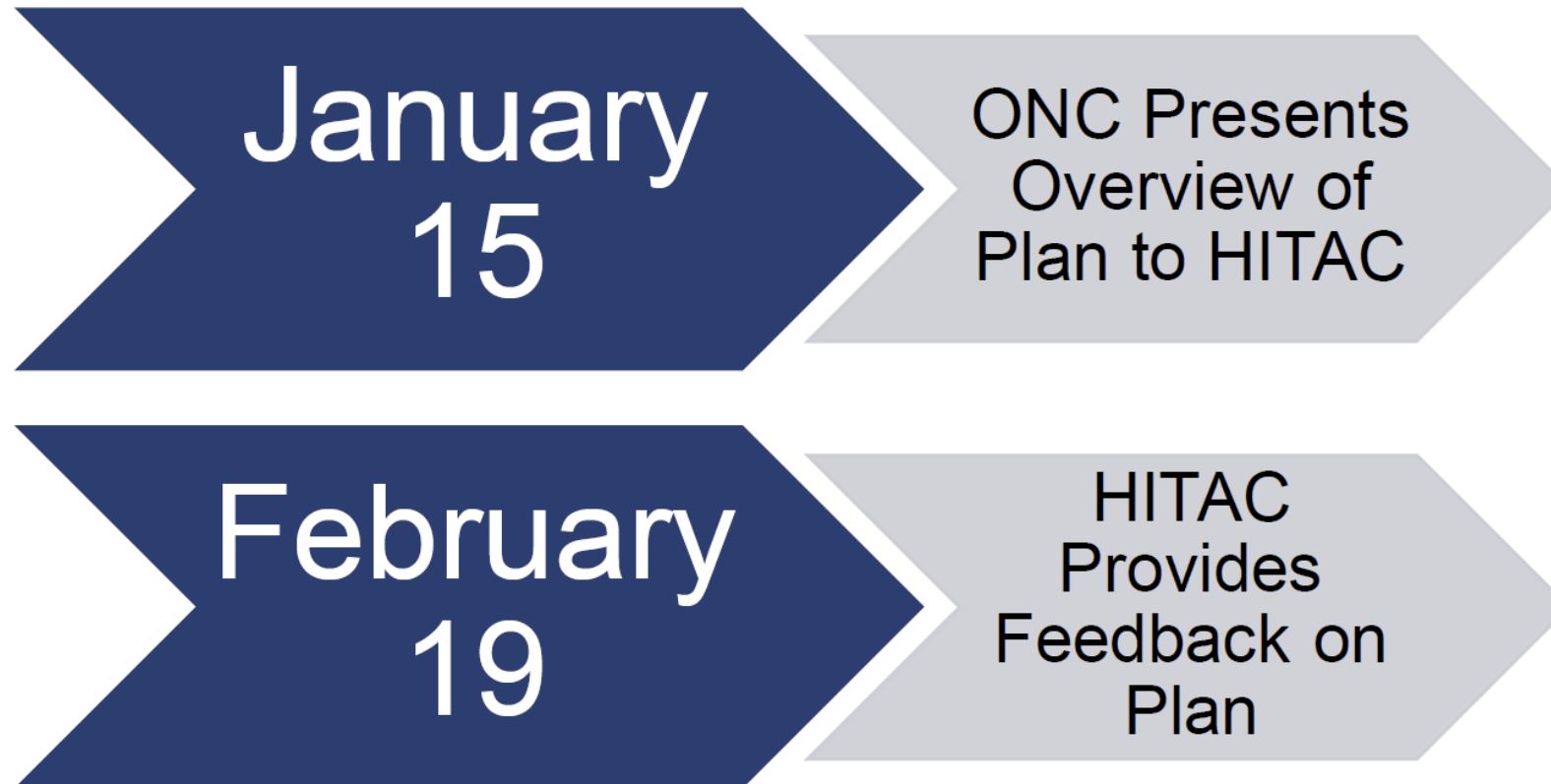
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# HITAC Engagement

Process for HITAC feedback on draft Plan

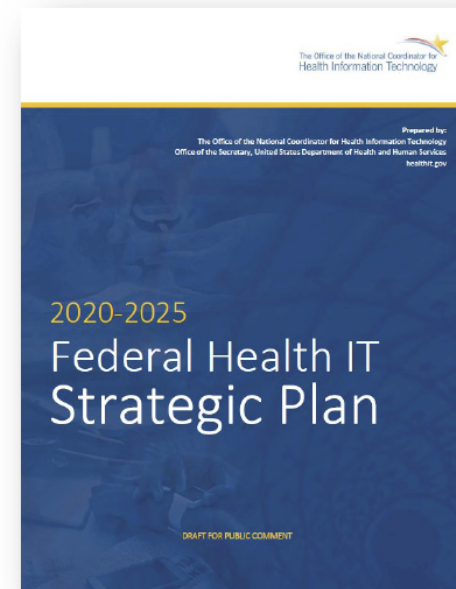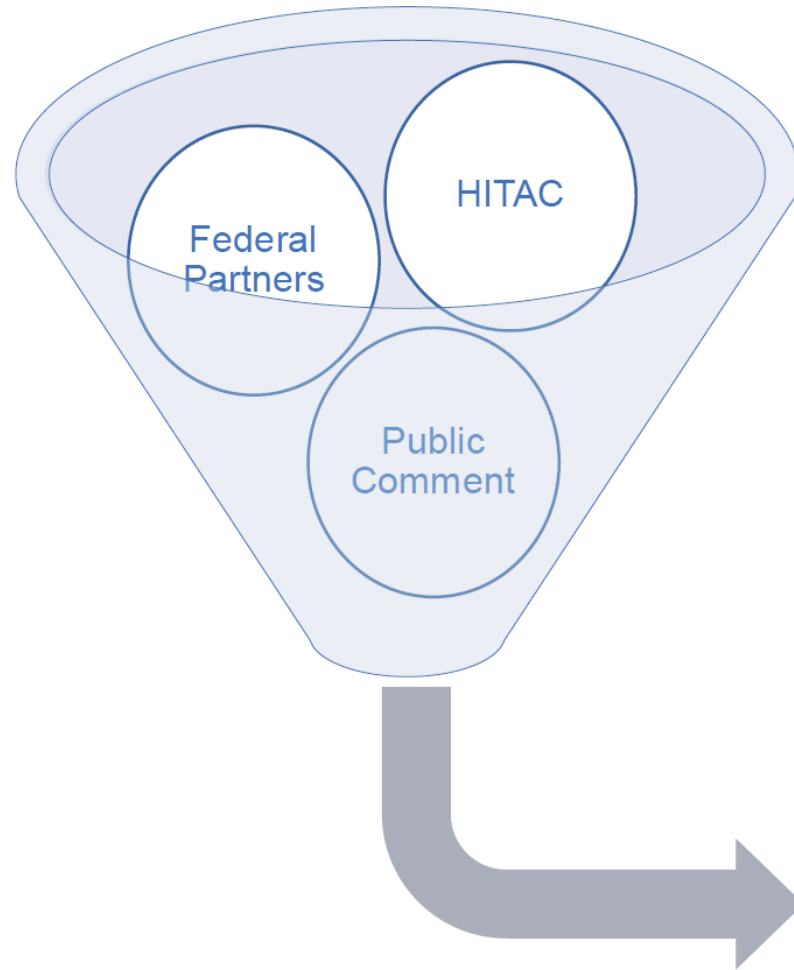| January 15 | ONC Presents Overview of Plan to HITAC |
| February 19 | HITAC Provides Feedback on Plan |

# Why we are Updating the Plan

The HITECH Act requires ONC, in consultation with other appropriate federal agencies and the private sector, to update the Federal Health IT Strategic Plan.

Technology in the health care environment and market is constantly evolving.

21$^{st}$ Century Cures Act sets in motion the need to move towards improved access, exchange, and use of electronic health information.

Federal agencies' health priorities increasingly rely on health IT and the access, exchange, and use of electronic health information.

# Key Sources of Input in Plan Development

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# Participating Federal Contributors

# Federal Health IT Strategic Direction

- Through the Federal Health IT Strategic Plan, ONC aims to:
    - Ensure that individuals have access to their electronic health information to enable them to manage their health and shop for care

    - Create new business models made possible through the use of APIs that benefit individuals and providers

    - Establish data sharing practices that are in use by the healthcare industry

    - Serve as an operational tool to manage federal activity and collaboration through Plan implementation and continual assessments

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# Strategic Plan Framework

**Promote Health and Wellness**

GOAL
1

**Enhance the Delivery and Experience of Care**

GOAL
2

**Build a Secure, Data-Driven Ecosystem to Accelerate Research and Innovation**

GOAL
3

GOAL
4

**Connect Healthcare and Health Data through an Interoperable Health IT Infrastructure**

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# Outcomes-Driven Plan

## FOCUSED ON MEETING THE NEEDS OF

Individuals

Caregivers
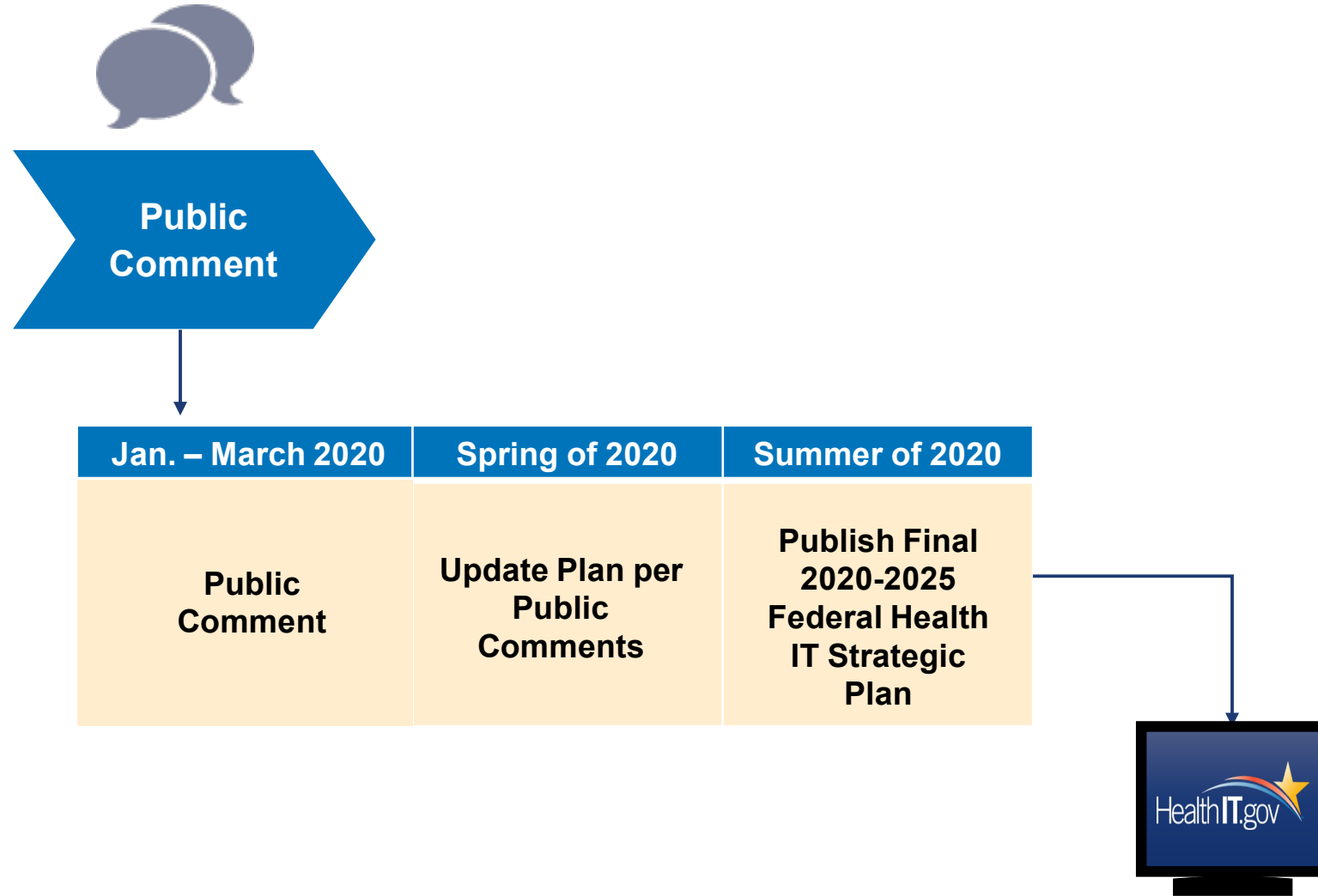
Healthcare Providers

Payers

Researchers

Developers

Innovators

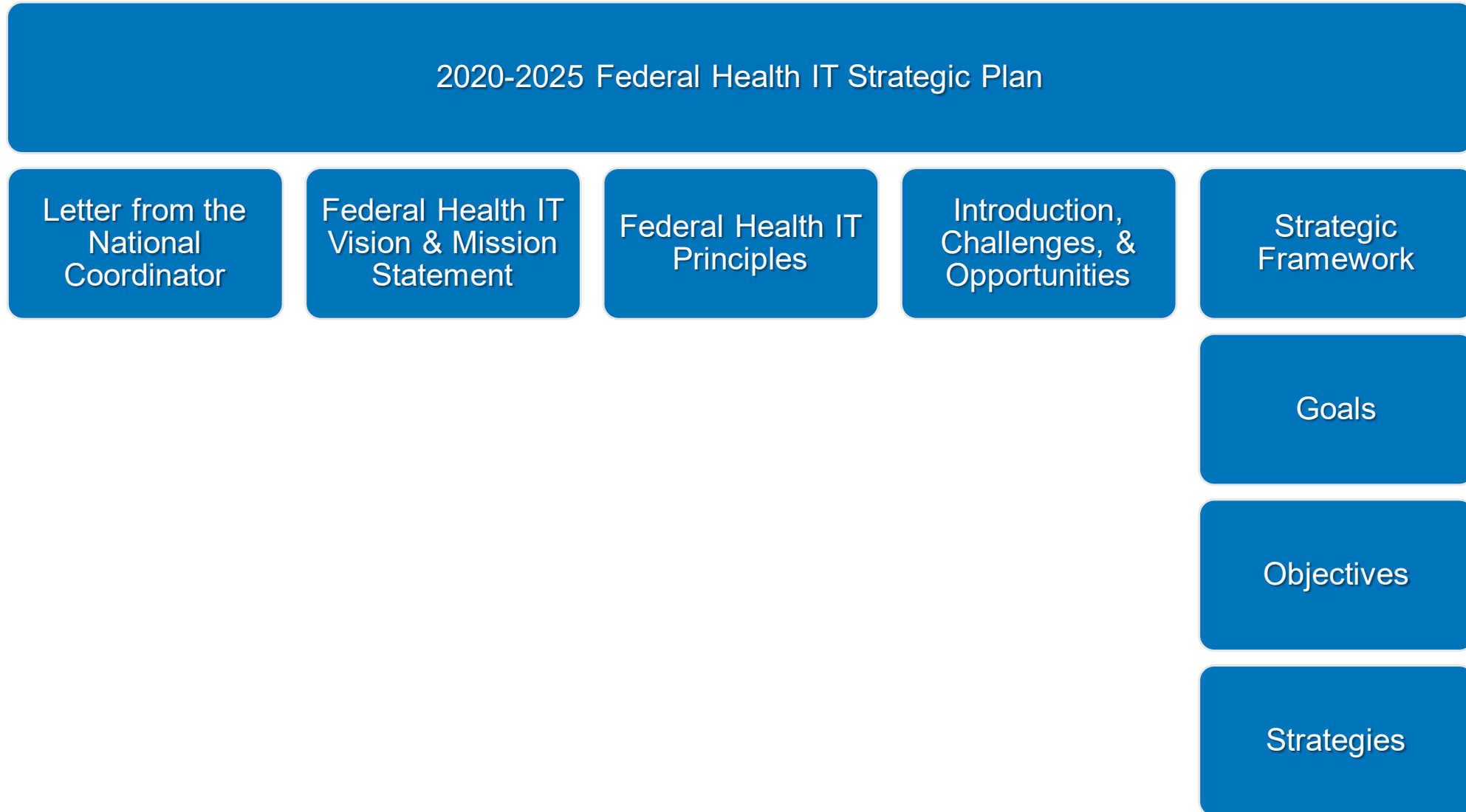# Timeline for Plan Publication

**Public Comment**

| Jan. – March 2020 | Spring of 2020 | Summer of 2020 |
|---|---|---|
| Public Comment | Update Plan per Public Comments | Publish Final 2020-2025 Federal Health IT Strategic Plan |

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# Nuts and Bolts of the Plan

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# Vision and Mission

## FEDERAL HEALTH IT
# Vision

A health system that uses information to engage individuals, lower costs, deliver high quality care, and improve individual and population health.

## FEDERAL HEALTH IT
# Mission

Improve the health and well-being of individuals and communities using technology and health information that is accessible when and where it matters most.

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# Federal Health IT Principles

### Focus on value.

Promote and pursue activities that improve health and care quality, efficiency, safety, affordability, equity, effectiveness, and access.

### Put individuals first.

Embrace person-centered care that values the whole individual, including their goals, values, culture, and privacy.

### Build a culture of secure access to health information.

Support secure health information access, exchange, and use by individuals, caregivers, healthcare providers, and other stakeholders.

### Put research into action.

Strengthen feedback loops between scientific and healthcare communities to efficiently translate evidence into clinical practice and improvement.

### Encourage innovation and competition.

Support and protect innovation and competition in health IT that result in new solutions and business modules for better care and improved outcomes.

### Be a responsible steward.

Develop health IT policies through open, transparent, and accountable processes; use federal resources judiciously; and, when possible, rely on the private sector.

# Challenges in Healthcare



**Increasing Healthcare Spending**

**Poor Health Outcomes**

**Increasing Rates of Mental Illness and Substance Disorders**

**Access to Care**
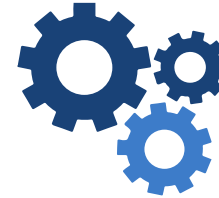
**Access to Technology**

# Opportunities in a Digital Health System

Patient Empowerment

Movement to Value-Based Care

Achieving Interoperability

New Technologies and Available Data

Reducing Regulatory and Administrative Burden

Privacy of Health Information

Security of Health Information

# Goal 1

## Promote Health and Wellness

**GOAL 1**

**Objective 1a:** Improve individual access to health information

**Objective 1b:** Advance healthy and safe practices through health IT

**Objective 1c:** Integrate health and human services information

# Goal 2

## Enhance the Delivery and Experience of Care

**GOAL 2**

**Objective 2a:** Ensure safe and high-quality care through the use of health IT

**Objective 2b:** Foster competition, transparency, and affordability in healthcare

**Objective 2c:** Reduce regulatory and administrative burden on providers

**Objective 2d:** Enable efficient management of resources and a workforce confidently using health IT

# Goal 3

**Build a Secure, Data-Driven Ecosystem to Accelerate Research and Innovation**

GOAL
3

**Objective 3a:** Advance individual-and population-level transfer of health data

**Objective 3b:** Support research and analysis using health IT and data at the individual and population levels

# Goal 4

**Connect Healthcare and Health Data through an Interoperable Health IT Infrastructure**

GOAL
4

**Objective 4a:** Advance the development and use of health IT capabilities

**Objective 4b:** Establish transparent expectations for data sharing

**Objective 4c:** Enhance technology and communications infrastructure

**Objective 4d:** Promote secure health information that protects patient privacy

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# **Questions for Consideration**

- Questions to consider when reviewing the Plan ahead of the February 19 HITAC Meeting:
  - Challenges / factors that could impact achievement of Plan's goals?

  - Other opportunities to leverage health IT for consideration in the Plan's strategy?

  - Gaps – specifically in Goal 4. Connect Healthcare and Health Data through an Interoperable Health IT Infrastructure – that could limit progress in goals 1-3?
    - Goal 1. Promote health & wellness

    - Goal 2. Enhance the delivery & experience of care

    - Goal 3. Build a secure, data-driven culture to accelerate research & innovation

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# Thank you!

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