

# NCVHS – Standards Subcommittee

Outline and Plan

November 2015

# Outline

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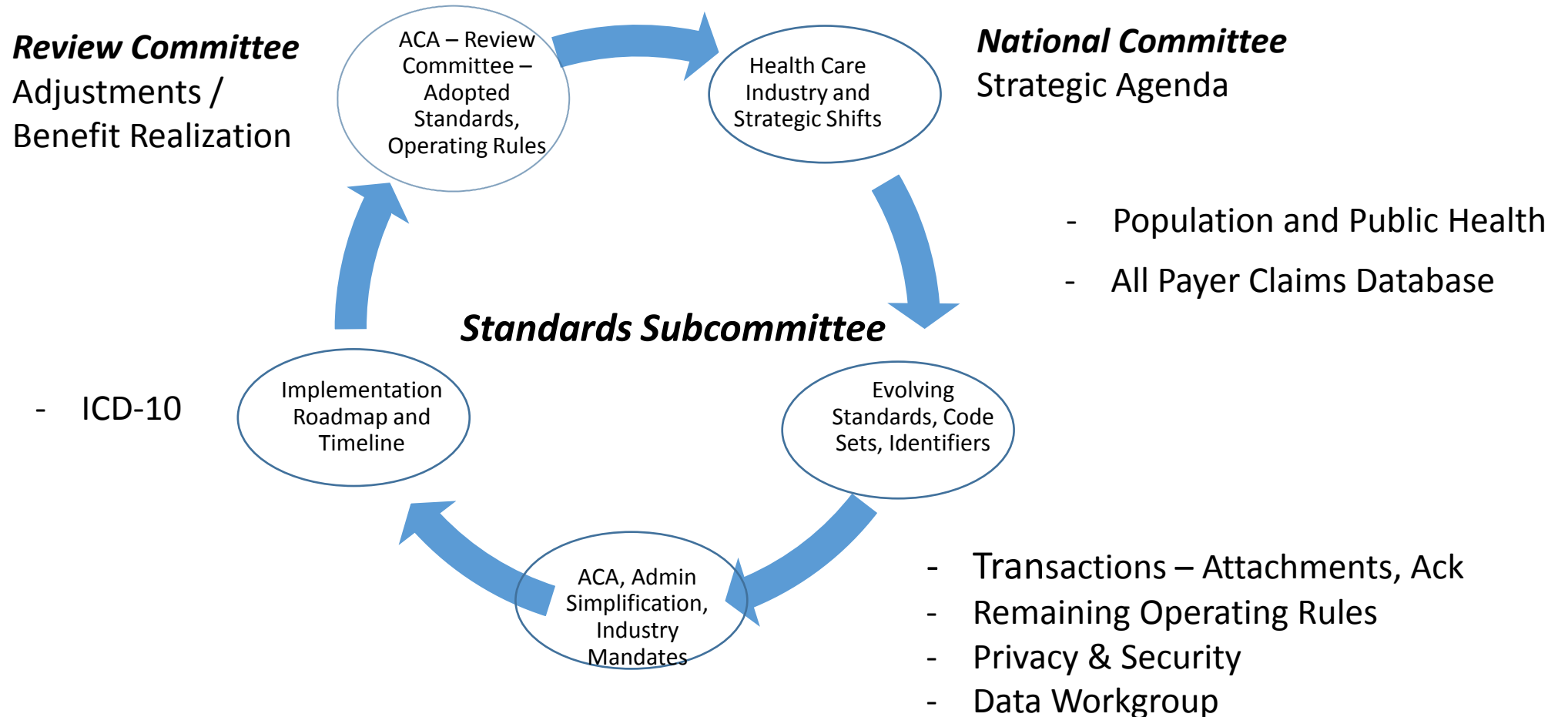
# Standards Subcommittee Background

Scope of Work

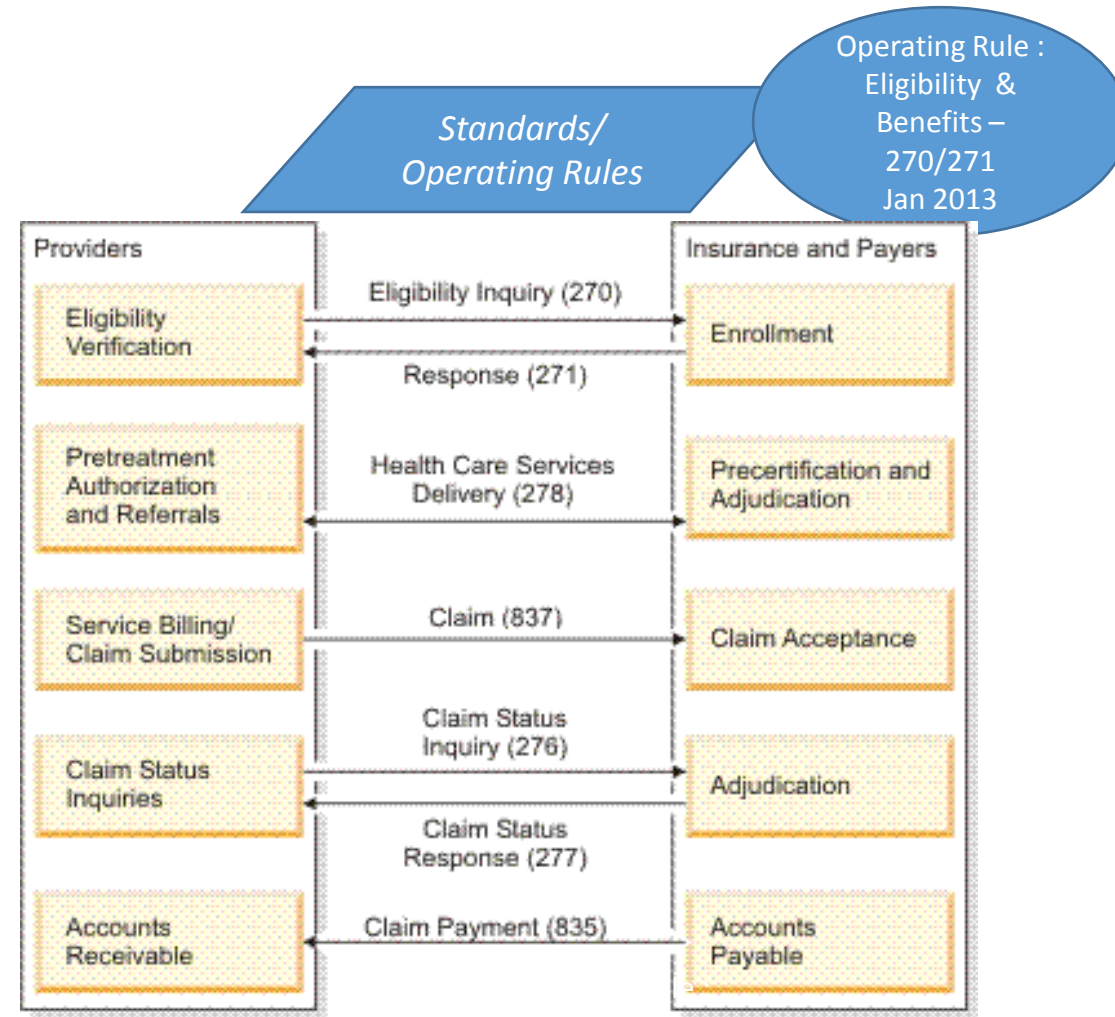
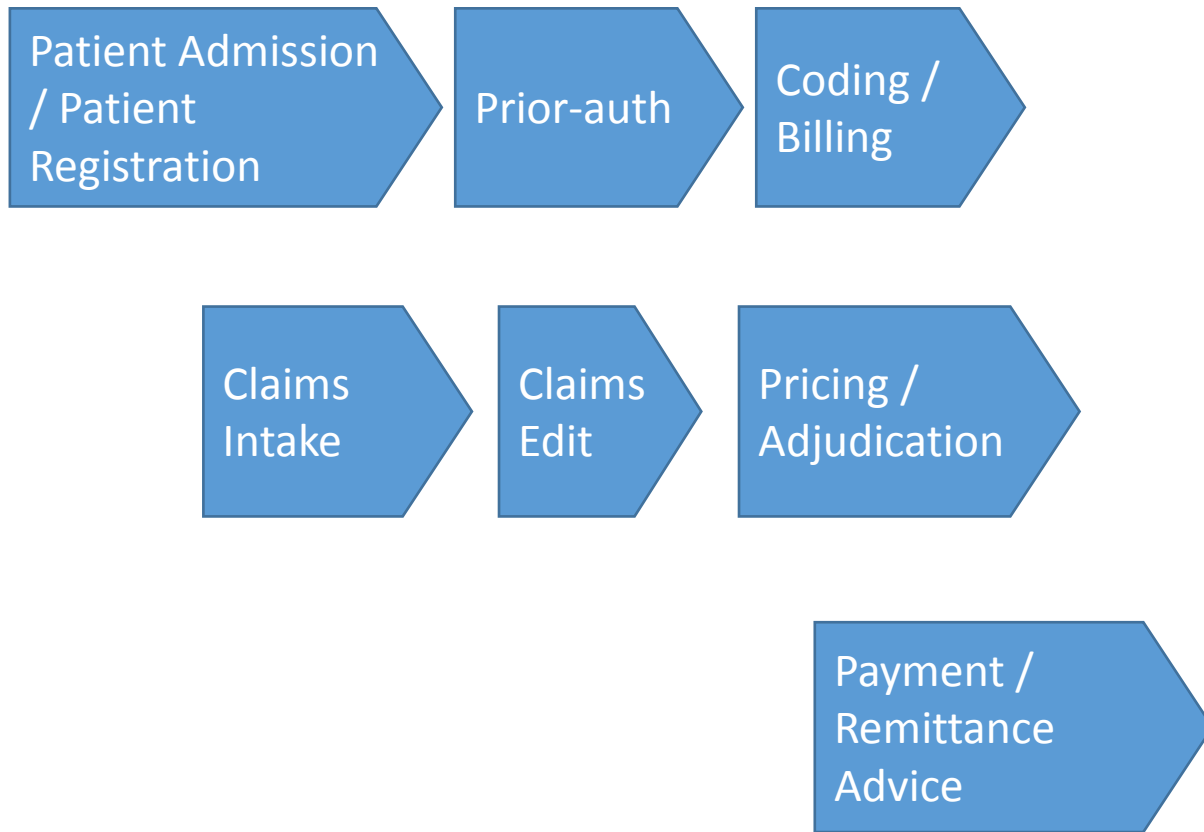
# I. Standards Subcommittee Focus Areas

- Legislative drivers
  - Administrative Simplification – HIPAA
    - Health care transactions, identifiers, code sets
    - Report to Congress
  - ACA
    - Operating Rules
    - Review Committee
- Advancements and evolution of standards - Convergence
  - Standards for health care administrative message payload, e.g. administrative transactions (X12), HL7 clinical messages, etc
- Convergence of Health and Healthcare
  - Public health data standards
  - All-payer claims database
  - Population health
  - Pay for Performance

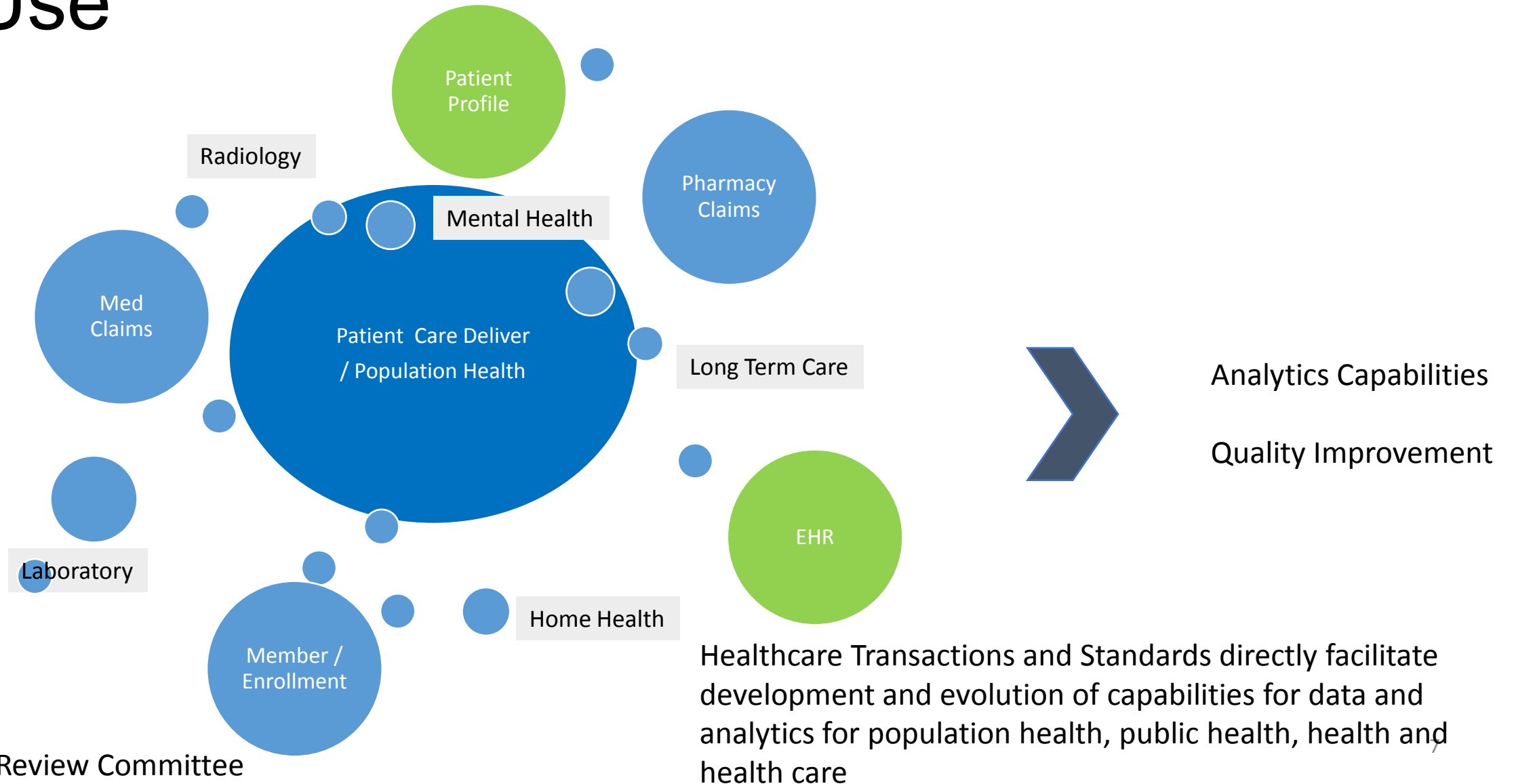
# I. SCOPE – NCVHS Standards Subcommittee



# I. Healthcare Transactions and Standards



# I. Healthcare Transactions & Secondary Use



# Standards Subcommittee: Current Activities

Current Body of Work other than the Review Committee



# Operating Rules - Phase 4

## Background

- Scope of Phase 2 / 3
  - Adopted Jan 2013 – Eligibility and Benefits
  - Adopted Jan 2014 – Electronic Fund Transfer and Electronic Remittance Advice
- Scope of Phase 4
  - Health care claim (X12 837)
  - Health care service review (X12 278)
  - Benefit Enrollment (X12 834)
  - Premium payment (X12 820)
- 2014 NCVHS Letter – no recommendations for remaining ORs
  - Health claim attachment standard has not been developed
  - Future operating rules should be developed based on ROI, industry readiness and constraints

# Operating Rules Phase 4

- CAQH CORE announced the release of OR phase IV in October 2015
  - Letter to NCVHS
  - Operating Rules Phase IV focus on
    - Infrastructure Rule for each of the 4 transactions
    - Connectivity Rule for the transactions
- Next Step
  - NCVHS Standards Subcommittee to gather feedback from stakeholders and a hearing in or around February 2016

# Attachments

## Background

- 2013 NCVHS Letter
  - Focus on attachments and not claims attachment due to convergence and usage of clinical and administrative data
  - Clear purpose should be defined; not duplicative of other adopted standards
  - Attachment-related transactions
    - Message Content / Format – HL7 implementation guide for CDA
    - Attachment Type Value Set - LOINC
    - Routing Envelope – X12 275 – information to support health care claims
    - Request for Attachments – X12 277 – health care claim request for additional information
    - Request for Attachments – X12 278 – health care service review – non-claim-related information requests
    - Acknowledgement – X12 TA and 999
    - Pharmacy Prior-Auth – NCPDP Script and X12 278
  - Other guiding principles and recommendations around; security / privacy, solicited / unsolicited usage, structured / unstructured data, etc.

# Attachments

- Update from Walter Suarez

# NCVHS Strategy Plan

Alignment with the National Committee

Strategic Goals	Objectives	Standards
<p><b>Strategic Goal 1:</b></p> <p>Strengthen the health system’s data and analytic capacity to sustain continuous improvement in health and well being</p>	<p><b>Objective 1.1:</b></p> <p>Continuously assess capacity to use data to improve health and well being</p>	<p>Administrative Simplification responsibility to advise on adoption of standards, identifiers, code sets for admin/fin transactions. (HIPAA 1996)</p> <p>Advise on ePrescribing standards (MMA 2003)</p> <p>Review Committee responsibilities (PPACA 2010)</p> <p>(If 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act passes, additional EHR related duties may need to be added)</p> <p>Cross domain coordination to inform robust data standards by aligning business, policy, legal, and data needs</p>
	<p><b>Objective 1.2</b></p> <p>Identify opportunities to enhance data and analytic resources and reduce redundancy to accelerate improvement in health and well being</p>	<p>Through industry testimony and collaboration inform through the development of: NCVHS’ biennial HIPAA report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Committee Recommendations and Report</li> <li>• Reports on specific topic(s)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Objective 1.3</b></p> <p>Recommend actions to HHS, other federal agencies, Congress, and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Strategic coordination and alignment to support submission of letters and reports on topics such as: administrative simplification standards, operating rules, identifiers and code sets; Public health standards; ICD-10 post implementation; APCD;</p>

<p><b>Strategic Goal 2:</b></p> <p>Accelerate the adoption of standards to achieve the purpose of efficiency, effectiveness, privacy, security and interoperability of health data and systems</p>	<p><b>Objective 2.1:</b></p> <p>Assess the adoption and implementation of standards to achieve interoperability, operating efficiency, health system effectiveness, information security, and protection of privacy and confidentiality.</p>	<p>Leverage work from strategic goal 1 (Admin Simp, MMA, RC, (EHR?), Industry Collab) to enable assessing capacity of industry adoption</p> <p>Conduct hearings on Phase IV operating rules; identified issues (e.g. virtual cards); future standards and operating rules</p>
	<p><b>Objective 2.2</b></p> <p>Identify opportunities to enhance interoperability, compliance, and operating efficiency through alignment of standard development, regulation and industry adoption and implementation</p>	<p>Leverage work from strategic goal 1 and 2.1 (Admin Simp, MMA, RC, Industry Collab) to enable inform specific recommendations (e.g. Public Health Standards, APCD, and emerging business models)</p> <p>Provide recommendations to HHS based on findings from hearings to assist them in their roadmap development</p>
	<p><b>Objective 2.3</b></p> <p>Recommend actions that HHS, other federal agencies, Congress, and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Develop recommendations to applicable entity and for industry awareness</p>

<p><b>Strategic Goal 3:</b></p> <p>Increase access and use of data while ensuring appropriate safeguards</p>	<p><b>Objective 3.1:</b></p> <p>Engage relevant stakeholders to assess current capacity and identify opportunities for improvement</p>	<p>Provide standards view and considerations in NCVHS efforts to promote appropriate data use and access</p> <p>Continue to apply principles for access, use and confidentiality in discussions and development of key questions for the health care industry and recommendations to HHS</p>
	<p><b>Objective 3.2</b></p> <p>Identify strategies to improve access and use of federal data resources</p>	<p>Hold hearings and solicit commentary from representative stakeholders to present testimony on metrics, best practices and opportunities. For example, Public Health Standards, ACO / Population Based Reimbursement and Data Usage</p>
	<p><b>Objective 3.3</b></p> <p>Recommend actions that HHS, other federal agencies, Congress, and other stakeholders</p>	<p>Leveraging 3.1 and 3.2, produce and distribute recommendations to applicable entity and for industry awareness</p>



<p><b><u>Strategic Goal 4:</u></b></p> <p>Recommend long term strategies in health information policy</p>	<p><b>Objective 4.1:</b></p> <p>Identify and assess emerging trends in population health, health care, business processes, information technology, interoperability, data management, statistics, ethics and cultural norms</p>	<p>Through collaborative efforts with HHS and the industry collaborative through hearings and workshop to identify emerging trends</p>
	<p><b>Objective 4.2</b></p> <p>Identify and define opportunities and threats from emerging trends that will enable, or require change, to health information policies, standards, or regulatory frameworks.</p>	<p>Recommendations identified through HIPAA and ACA assessment and reporting efforts will support cross-domain coordination and roadmap development</p>
	<p><b>Objective 4.3</b></p> <p>Formulate agile, flexible and converging recommendations and long-term strategies to improve health and well-being</p>	<p>Recommendation development will consider if standards, operating rules, code sets and identifiers are agile and flexible to accommodate emerging trends and support the triple aim</p>