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To guide in future deliberations; assessments of options; development of recommendations related to naming, adopting and implementing future standards; and development of a roadmap to aid in determining the timing and sequencing adoption of new standards, NCVHS has identified ten principles to guide future NCVHS projects. Future NCVHS projects will:

- 1. Foster alignment with the triple aim of quality health care, improved health and cost effectiveness;
- 2. Be actionable by the Secretary and the health care industry;
- 3. Improve the data infrastructure;
- 4. Ensure the privacy, confidentiality and security of individually identifiable health information;
- 5. Not being undertaken elsewhere and require NCVHS to do it;
- 6. Have an identifiable audience;
- 7. Be directional and strategic;
- 8. Be consistent with NCVHS' scope and are appropriately scaled;
- 9. Be likely to have a measurable impact; and
- 10. Include a commitment and a plan for dissemination.

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NCVHS believes success will be measured if the recommended standards and initiatives result in:

- 1. Convergence of administrative and clinical data;
- 2. Collection of medical, environmental and survey data that results in improved health, quality of health care and lower costs;
- Creation of national databases with a network of local and state public health agencies working in collaboration with Federal agencies to establish the form and content of data submission;
- 4. Integration of data to identify common public health requirements;
- Improved public health data collection that includes improvement in completeness, timeliness and quality of data reported; efficient use of hospital discharge data and rapid investigation of disease outbreaks;
- 6. Development of public health data standards that define the electronic standards of structure, format, content, coding, vocabulary/terminology, transport and security;
- 7. Privacy and security of individually identifiable health information;
- 8. Demonstrated improvement in patient care;
- 9. Improved patient/consumer experience;
- 10. Development of effective quality measurements; and
- 11. Ability to adapt to changing technology.