



Colorado Health IT Roadmap 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Leading Change Today for a Healthier Tomorrow

The 2021 Colorado Health Information Technology Roadmap charts a path for harnessing and expanding the digital tools and services that support the health of all Coloradans. Known as health information technology (IT), these tools have the potential to significantly expand affordability, access, and equity in health care.

Health IT offers an opportunity to advance these goals by creating inclusive and equitable access to information and resources while improving the quality and value of care that individuals receive. Its widespread availability and use can support the coordination of whole-person care, public health response, and population health improvement. However, development and adoption must occur in a systematic, aligned, and intentional way.

This Roadmap sets a course for aligning efforts across a broad range of stakeholders to achieve three goals by 2024.

The 2021 Roadmap recommends needed policy, technology, and funding solutions to achieve the state's health priorities of affordability, equity, and access and defines a vision for transforming the state's current infrastructure into a more cohesive and integrated system that enables inclusion and equitable access to

data and information that can better serve all Coloradans. It builds on the successes achieved in Colorado's 2019 Health IT Roadmap as well as the work still in progress.

The 2021 Roadmap comes at a time of unprecedented opportunity for Colorado to strategically invest in health IT solutions. Colorado can potentially utilize a portion of federal funds for health IT across the state. Potential opportunities include investment in development, expansion, and modernization of Colorado's health IT ecosystem, including public health and behavioral health information systems, and expanded broadband connectivity.

Efforts will be stewarded over the next three years by the Office of eHealth Innovation, the eHealth Commission, state and local agencies, and community partners. Common values will guide the development, prioritization, and implementation of necessary strategies to achieve the three goals.

The figure on the back of this page illustrates the vision of the 2021 Health IT Roadmap in achieving affordability, access, and equity for all Coloradans.



Access • Affordability • Equity

CORE VALUES AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE WORK

Accountability • Alignment • Equity • Innovation • Reusability • Sustainability

STATEWIDE INITIATIVES

Care Coordination • Patient Access to Information • Public Health Response
Virtual and Remote Services • Value-Based Programs • Population Health

GOALS

- Shared data and equitable access to needed health and social information
- Access to coordinated and high-quality in-person, virtual, and remote health services
- Improved health equity through inclusive and innovative use of health IT and digital health solutions

STRATEGIES

Policy	Services	Funding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data sharing and consent agreements • Standardized processes and data standards • Access, availability of virtual and remote services • Clarification of Office of eHealth Innovation and eHealth Commission roles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core information services • Identity management • Provider directory • Community resource inventory • Consent management • Data-sharing management • Scalable data-sharing platform • Colorado Innovation Resource Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provider, community health IT adoption • Provider participation in health information exchange • State agency investments • Non-governmental funding

STEWARDING THE WORK

Community Partners	State and Local Agencies	Office of eHealth Innovation	eHealth Commission
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Alignment • Community Engagement • Governance • Operationalizing • Monitoring



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Go to www.oehi.colorado.gov to learn more about Colorado's health IT efforts and how to get involved or contact Carrie Paykoc, Director, Office of eHealth Innovation, Carrie.Paykoc@state.co.us for more information.