

# Health Information Exchange Steering Committee Meeting October 25, 2021

# Meeting Agenda

- VHIE Consent Education – Survey Findings & Proposed Next Steps
- Next Steps on Priority Areas (Committee Discussion)
  - SDoH Data
  - Claims on the VHIE
  - Clinically Sensitive/Part 2 Data
  - Provider Directory
  - Health Care Data Quality Improvement
- Final Notes on the HIE Plan Update
- Wrap Up

# VHIE Consent Policy Evaluation

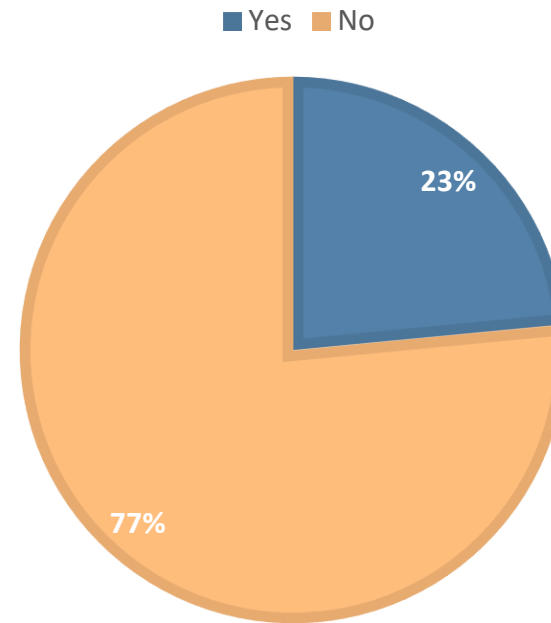
2020 Patient Experience VHIE Question Responses

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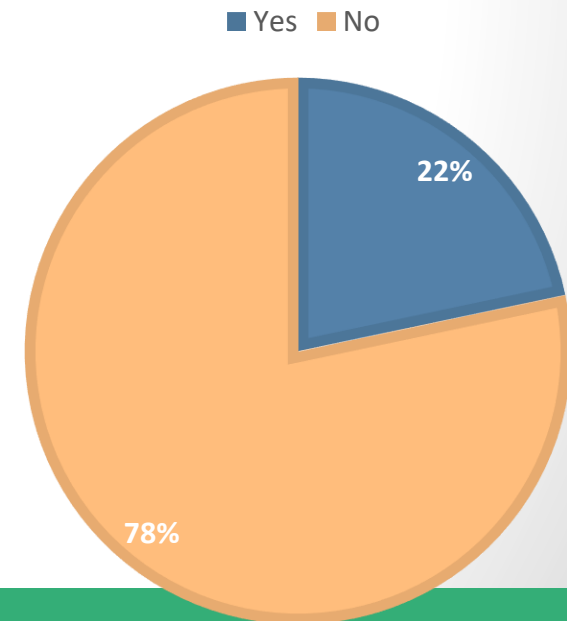
# Did you know that you can stop your health care providers from seeing your health information available in the Vermont Health Information Exchange?

Group	N	Yes	No
PCMH CAHPS – Overall	10,180	23.5%	76.5%
PCMH CAHPS – Adult	8,608	23.8%	76.2%
PCMH CAHPS – Child	1,572	21.7%	78.3%
Medicaid 5.0 – Overall	825	21.7%	78.3%
Medicaid 5.0 – Adult	410	21.2%	78.8%
Medicaid 5.0 – Child	415	22.2%	77.8%

PCMH – OVERALL



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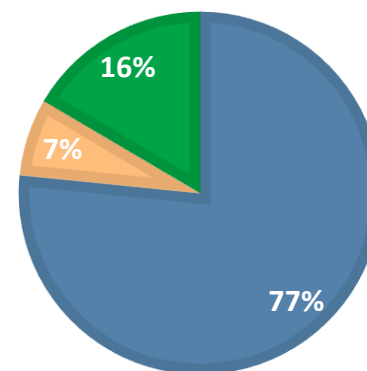
If the respondent answered yes to the question “Did you know that you can stop your health care providers from seeing your health information available in the Vermont Health Information Exchange?” they were asked:

## Do you have enough information about the Vermont Health Information Exchange to decide whether you want your providers to see your health information available in the Exchange?

Group	N	Yes	No	Don't know
PCMH CAHPS – Overall	2174	76.6%	6.9%	16.5%
PCMH CAHPS – Adult	1856	76.0%	6.7%	17.3%
PCMH CAHPS – Child	318	79.9%	8.2%	11.9%
Medicaid 5.0 – Overall	172	80.2%	8.1%	11.6%
Medicaid 5.0 – Adult	84	81.0%	9.5%	9.5%
Medicaid 5.0 – Child	88	79.5%	6.8%	13.6%

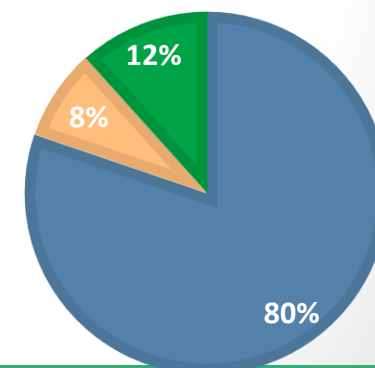
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■ Yes ■ No ■ Don't Know

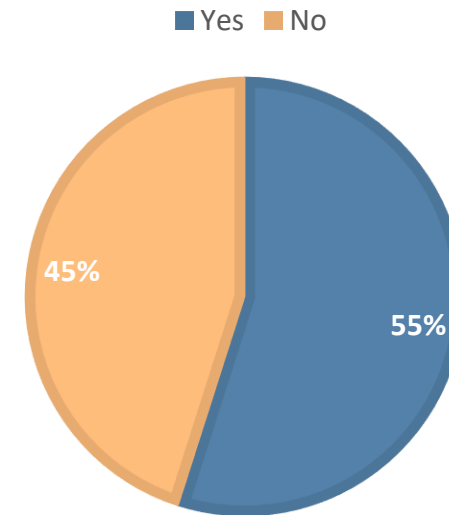


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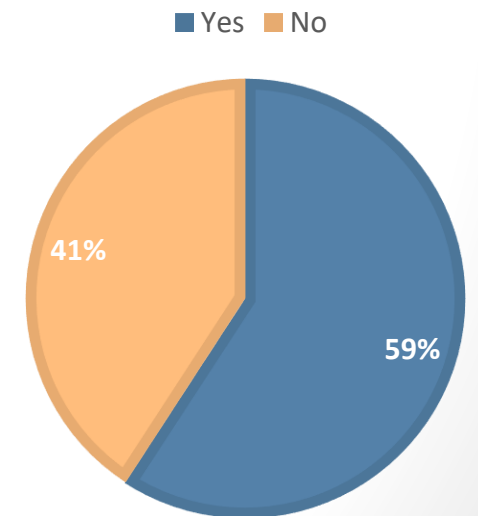
## Do you know how to stop your providers from seeing your health information available in the Vermont Health Information Exchange?

Group	N	Yes	No
PCMH CAHPS – Overall	2151	54.9%	45.1%
PCMH CAHPS – Adult	1834	54.4%	45.6%
PCMH CAHPS – Child	317	57.7%	42.3%
Medicaid 5.0 – Overall	169	59.2%	40.8%
Medicaid 5.0 – Adult	82	58.5%	41.5%
Medicaid 5.0 – Child	87	59.8%	40.2%

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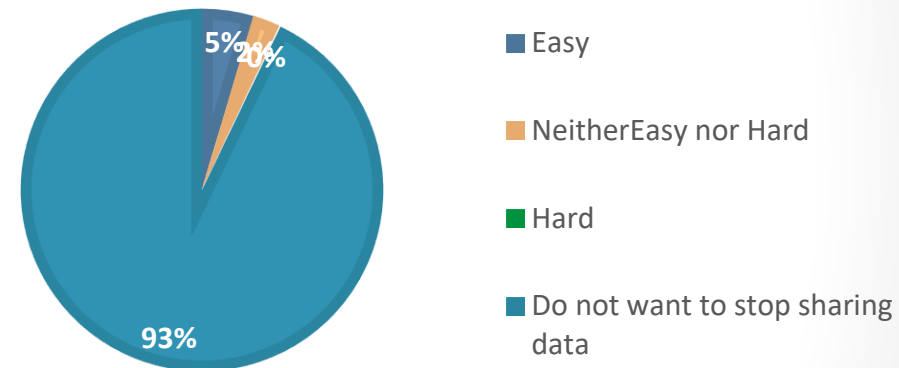


If the respondent answered yes to the question “Did you know that you can stop your health care providers from seeing your health information available in the Vermont Health Information Exchange?” and answered yes to the question “Do you know how to stop your providers from seeing your health information available in the Vermont Health Information Exchange?” they were asked:

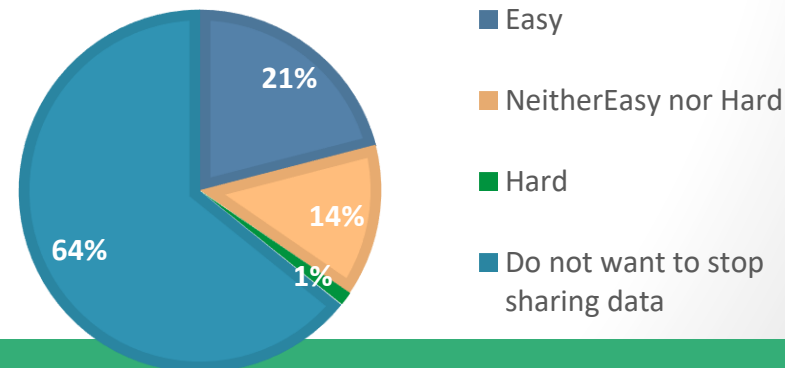
## If you already stopped your health care providers from seeing your information, how easy was it to do?

Group	N	Easy	Neither Easy nor Hard	Hard	Do not want to stop sharing data
PCMH CAHPS – Overall	1066	4.6%	2.4%	0.1%	92.9%
PCMH CAHPS – Adult	893	4.8%	2.5%	0.1%	92.6%
PCMH CAHPS – Child	173	3.5%	2.3%	0.0%	94.2%
Medicaid 5.0 – Overall	81	21.0%	13.6%	1.2%	64.2%
Medicaid 5.0 – Adult	42	21.4%	9.5%	2.4%	66.7%
Medicaid 5.0 – Child	39	20.5%	17.9%	0.0%	61.5%

PCMH - OVERALL



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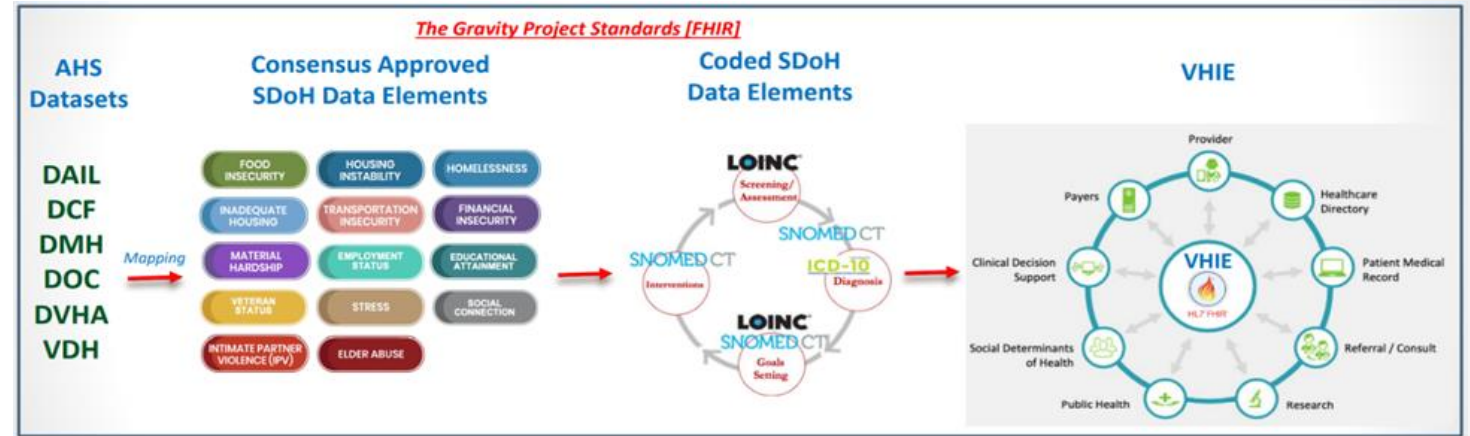
# Next Steps on Priority Areas



# Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) Data

## What is happening now?

- AHS is developing a SDoH Data Dictionary to identify and map data elements to be ingested on the VHIE



## What is planned?

- AHS to work with VITL to define mechanisms for ingesting AHS' SDoH data elements onto the VHIE
- AHS to formalize data governance efforts to ensure appropriate disclosure of and access to Agency's SDoH data
- HIE Steering Committee to establish the Population Health Subcommittee to:
  - Develop a stakeholder informed data governance model for the aggregation and exchange of SDoH data on the VHIE
  - Discuss data sources, data standards, data access, and needed policies and procedures such as SDoH Connectivity Criteria, consent policies, and data sharing agreements to facilitate aggregation and exchange of SDoH data through the VHIE
  - Prioritize SDoH data exchange efforts

# Claims Data

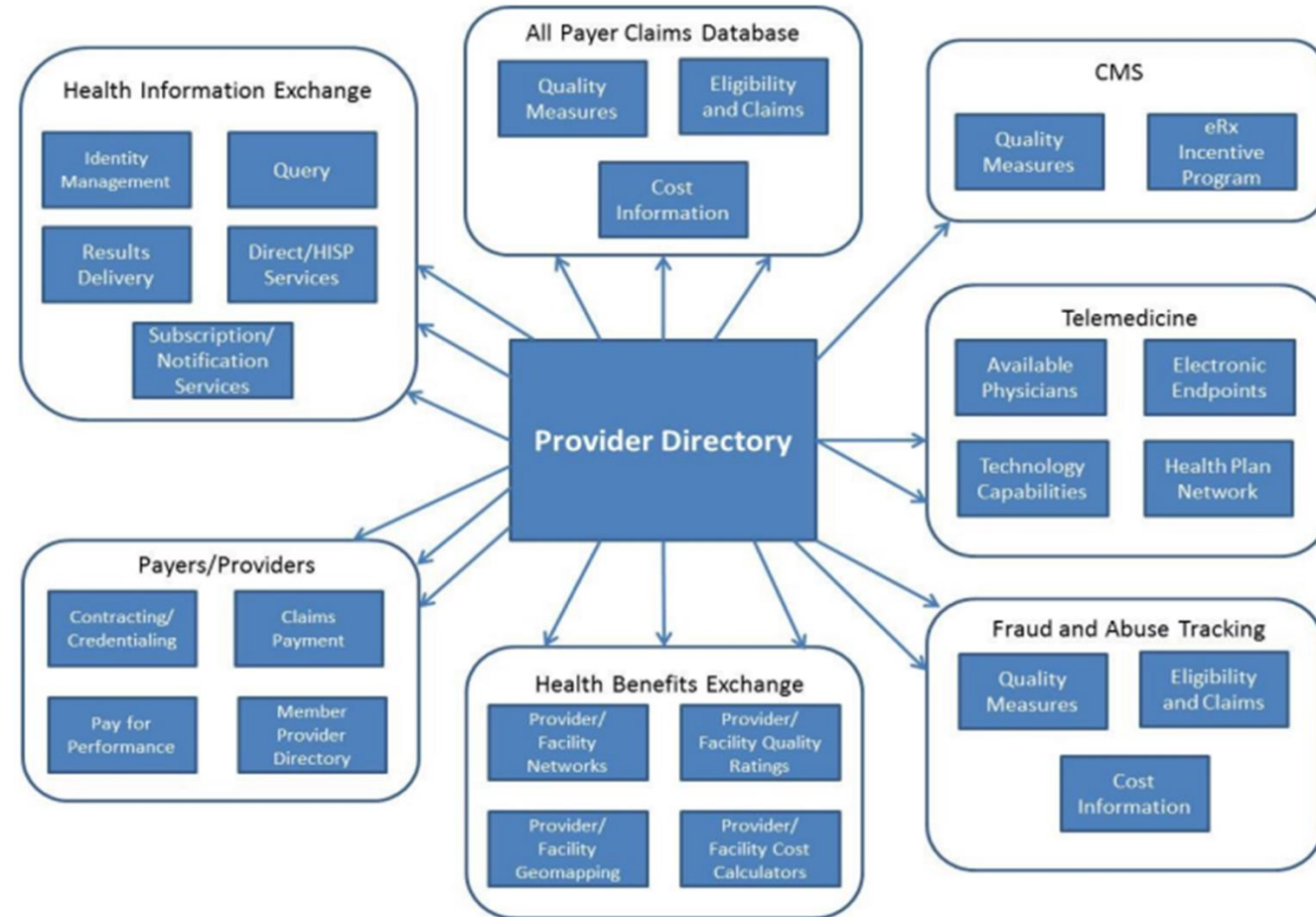
- *What has already happened/is happening now?*
  - The Claims Subcommittee articulated use cases for a linked clinical and claims data set from the perspective of a variety of users
    - Outstanding: how claims data may be used at the point of care
  - VITL successfully launched its new Data Platform
    - VHIE ingested Medicaid claims
      - December: Complete report on linked Medicaid claims and clinical records (patient level)
    - VITL developed a Commercial Claims “Playbook” (requirements for commercial claims)
- *What’s planned?*
  - Medicaid to continue to define needs for a linked clinical and claims data set
  - Medicaid exploring use of VHIE for data warehousing services
  - VITL continuing discussions with commercial payers

# Clinically Sensitive/Part 2 Data

- *What has already happened/is happening now?*
  - SAMHSA announced revisions to the *Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records regulation, 42 CFR Part 2* to expand care coordination and quality. **The rules governing this new regulatory framework have not yet been released.**
  - The PartII+ group, facilitated by VITL, has begun engaging providers in the development of consent and data management processes for SUD and other clinically sensitive data
  - VITL successfully launched its new Data Platform with capabilities to aggregate new data types
- *What's planned?*
  - The Part II+ Group will continue their work to develop universal policies and procedures for sharing data governed by 42 CFR Part 2 (substance use disorder data) and other sensitive data types
  - The group may propose to the HIE Steering Committee an update to Vermont's policy for sharing VHIE data to reflect the consent process for exchanging Part 2 and other clinically sensitive data through the VHIE

# Provider Directory

- Multiple stakeholders, including HIE Steering Committee members and participants, have articulated a need for a state-wide Provider Directory
- The GMCB planned to release a Request for information (RFI) on Provider Directory services
- *How can we collaborate and ensure vendors respond to all use cases? Subcommittee to support RFI development?*



Source: HealthIT.gov

# Health Data Quality Improvement

- Ideas for Discussion:
  - VHIE hopes to become a HEDIS certified data set to automate eCQM/HEDIS reporting (becoming more expensive for individual providers because certification required at provider level)
  - VHIE to offer data dashboard based on eCQMs, US Core Data Set compliance, etc.
  - Terminology Services – standardization and mapping to enrich data with context and meaning
    - *Additional terms to map/standardize for broad or organizational use?*

# Subcommittees

## 2021

- *Interface Prioritization Subcommittee*
- *Connectivity Criteria Subcommittee*
- *Part II+ Group*
- *Collaborative Services Subcommittee*
- *Claims Subcommittee*

## 2022

- *Connectivity Subcommittee*
- *Part II+ Group*
- *Population Health Subcommittee*
- *Medicaid Data Aggregation & Access Program Subcommittee*
- ~~*Collaborative Services Subcommittee*~~
- ~~*Claims Subcommittee*~~

# HIE Steering Committee Membership

Name	Role
<b>Ena Backus</b> , <i>Office of Health Care Reform, Agency of Human Services</i>	Vermont's Agency of Human Services
<b>Jessie Hammond</b> , <i>Vermont Department of Health</i>	Vermont's Department of Health
<b>Jimmy Mauro</b> , <i>Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont</i>	Payer Representative
<b>Simone Rueschemeyer</b> , <i>Vermont Care Partners</i>	Mental Health & Substance Use & Intellectual Developmental
<b>Georgia Maheras</b> , <i>Bi-State Primary Care Association</i>	Disabilities Representative Primary Care Representative
<b>Emma Harrigan</b> , <i>Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems</i>	Hospital Care Representative
<b>Vacant</b>	Representative of people who engage with the health care system
<b>Josiah Mueller</b> , <i>OneCare Vermont</i>	Accountable Care Organization Representative
<b>Vacant</b>	The Blueprint for Health Program
<b>Sandy Rouse</b> , <i>Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice</i>	Home, Health and Hospice Representative
<b>Laura Pelosi</b> , <i>Long Term Care Advocate</i>	Long Term Care Representative
<b>Kathryn O'Neill</b> , <i>Green Mountain Care Board</i>	The Green Mountain Care Board
<b>Kristin McClure</b> , <i>Agency of Digital Services</i>	The Agency of Digital Services
<b>Beth Anderson</b> , <i>VITL</i>	Vermont Health Information Exchange

# HIE Plan Update

- Final version to be distributed to the Steering Committee this week
- Submission to the GMCB on November 1
- Presentation on the HIE Plan, including Connectivity Criteria, on November 17
  - Steering Committee members are encouraged to attend and/or submit comments to the Board



# Wrap Up

- Next Meeting: November 22
  - *Would anyone like to present/share with the Committee?*
- December Meeting: Review of Collaborative Services Implementation & VHIE Value Added Services