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We, Legacy Health, share the principle that to achieve open, connected care for our communities, we all have the responsibility to take action. To further these goals, we commit to the following principles to advance interoperability among health information systems enabling free movement of data, which are foundational to the success of delivery system reform.

- **Consumer Access:** To help consumers easily and securely access their electronic health information, direct it to any desired location, learn how their information can be shared and used, and be assured that this information will be effectively and safely used to benefit their health and that of their community.
- **No Blocking/Transparency**: To help providers share individuals' health information for care with other providers and their patients whenever permitted by law, and not block electronic health information (defined as knowingly and unreasonably interfering with information sharing).
- **Standards**: Implement federally recognized, national interoperability standards, policies, guidance, and practices for electronic health information, and adopt best practices including those related to privacy and security.

To implement these commitments we will enhance participation in the exchange of CCD-As, direct messaging, and lab orders and results with local, regional and national partners through direct connections and/or exchanges and other third parties in support of improved patient care coordination, lower rates of readmissions, medication errors and unnecessary or duplicative procedures and tests.

We pledge to continue our recognized leadership in this area by maintaining our HIMSS 7 standing or better when available, by adding additional national HIE connections beyond our existing Surescripts, Care Everywhere, Carequality, Health-e Exchange and Veterans Administration connections as well as identified governmental and regional exchanges like Wellcentive, EDIE and state immunization exchanges.

We will continue to promote direct access to our clinical record for our patient care partners, numbering over 600 sites today, and to implement Open Notes through our patient portal.

Where clinical partnerships are created, such as under the auspices of Unity Behavioral Health Center or with clinics in our Community Connect program, we will ensure that providers, patients and affected community organizations are able to access records when needed and to coordinate care effectively.

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