

135.155 Iowa health information network — principles — goals.

1. Health information technology is rapidly evolving so that it can contribute to the goals of improving access to and quality of health care, enhancing efficiency, and reducing costs.

2. To be effective, the Iowa health information network shall comply with all of the following principles:

a. Be patient-centered and market-driven.

b. Be based on approved standards developed with input from all stakeholders.

c. Protect the privacy of consumers and the security and confidentiality of all health information.

d. Promote interoperability.

e. Ensure the accuracy, completeness, and uniformity of data.

f. Preserve the choice of the patient to have the patient's health information available through the record locator service.

3. Widespread adoption of health information technology is critical to a successful Iowa health information network and is best achieved when all of the following occur:

a. The market provides a variety of certified products from which to choose in order to best fit the needs of the user.

b. The network provides incentives for health care professionals to utilize the health information technology and provides rewards for any improvement in quality and efficiency resulting from such utilization.

c. The network provides protocols to address critical problems.

d. The network is financed by all who benefit from the improved quality, efficiency, savings, and other benefits that result from use of health information technology.

[2008 Acts, ch 1188, §24](#); [2012 Acts, ch 1080, §2, 3, 17](#); [2015 Acts, ch 73, §11, 17](#)

Referred to in [§135.156](#)

For future repeal of this section upon assumption of administration and governance of the Iowa health information network by the designated entity; notice by Iowa department of public health to Code editor upon assumption by the designated entity, see 2015 Acts, ch 73, §8, 9

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