

Governance

REPORT FROM GOVERNANCE

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KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

• Category 1: LHII (RHIO) governance as it relates to the organizational and technological infrastructure of the NHII.

DHHS should:

- Define the governing and functional relationships of the NHII to LHIIs
- Furnish the minimal functions and technological and interoperability standards of the NHII and LHIIs
- Establish a set of guiding principles for LHII governance, assuring appropriate community representation, and differentiating between governance (strategy) and administration (tactics)



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 Category 2: Resources to support people at the local level who will create and operate LHIIs.

DHHS should promptly:

- Establish a resource center (starter kit, white papers, funding guidelines, best practices, checklists, actual objective case studies of successes and failures, interactive portal for national collaboration among NHII and LHIIs)
- Establish a national database of NHII-LHII legal analyses
- Establish a program of LHII planning grants focusing on governance issues such as identification of stakeholder issues, trusted conveners, strategic and structural development
- Fund critical analysis of initiatives that can be used as models for LHIIs to identify governance and operating best practices and lessons learned