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# Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer PATH EHR Scope and Capabilities

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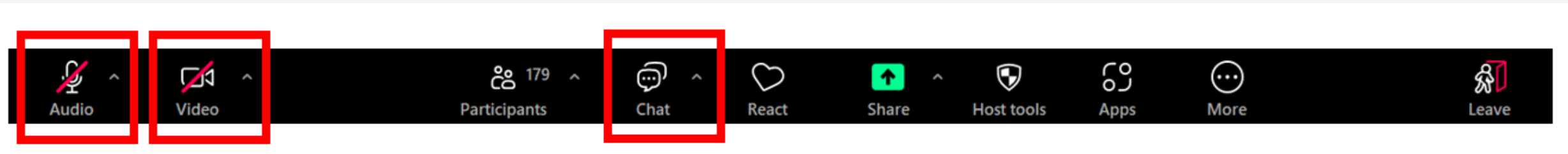
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Health Information Technology  
Modernization Program



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# Opening in a Good Way

Rebecca Liberty

*Ioway Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska*

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# Agenda

<b>Health Information Technology (IT) Modernization Overview &amp; Updates</b>	<b>Mitchell Thornbrugh</b> <i>Chief Information Officer</i>	<b>1:40 - 1:45 p.m. ET</b>
<b>Enterprise Collaboration Group (ECG) Update</b>	<b>Dr. Howard Hays</b> <i>Chief Medical Information Officer</i>	<b>1:45 - 1:50 p.m. ET</b>
<b>Modernization Focus: PATH EHR Scope and Capabilities</b>	<b>Jonathan White</b> <i>GDIT Clinical Informatics Lead</i> <b>Dr. Thomas Mahoney</b> <i>Oracle Director and Healthcare Executive</i>	<b>1:50 - 2:10 p.m. ET</b>
<b>Open Dialogue</b>	<b>Jeanette Kompkoff</b> <i>Director of Division of Health Information Technology Modernization and Operations</i>	<b>2:10 - 2:50 p.m. ET</b>
<b>Upcoming Engagement Opportunities</b>	<b>Kimberly Shije</b> <i>DHITMO Organizational Change Manager</i>	<b>2:50 - 2:55 p.m. ET</b>
<b>Closing</b>	<b>Mitchell Thornbrugh</b> <i>Chief Information Officer</i>	<b>2:55 - 3:00 p.m. ET</b>



# Health IT Modernization Overview & Updates

Mitchell Thornbrugh  
*Chief Information Officer*

# PATH EHR Overview



**PATH EHR uses Oracle Health technology to offer a secure, scalable, and configurable solution to support high-quality health care delivery across multiple organizations.**

## **Modern Commercial Solution**

Provides a proven configurable system with optimized workflows for patient care delivery

## **Cloud-Hosted and Centrally Managed**

Supports the logical configuration of organizations into a single, secure, and scalable cloud-hosted infrastructure for PATH EHR

## **Comprehensive Support Services**

Includes implementation, new functionalities, issue resolution, enterprise application support, and secure cloud management



# IHS and Lawton Service Unit Collaboration



*The Health IT Modernization Program team collaborated closely with leaders and staff across the Lawton Service Unit to build relationships, discuss upcoming deployment activities, and understand site-specific needs.*

## Site Leader Kick-off

*Hosted on June 10*



## Pathway to PATH Event

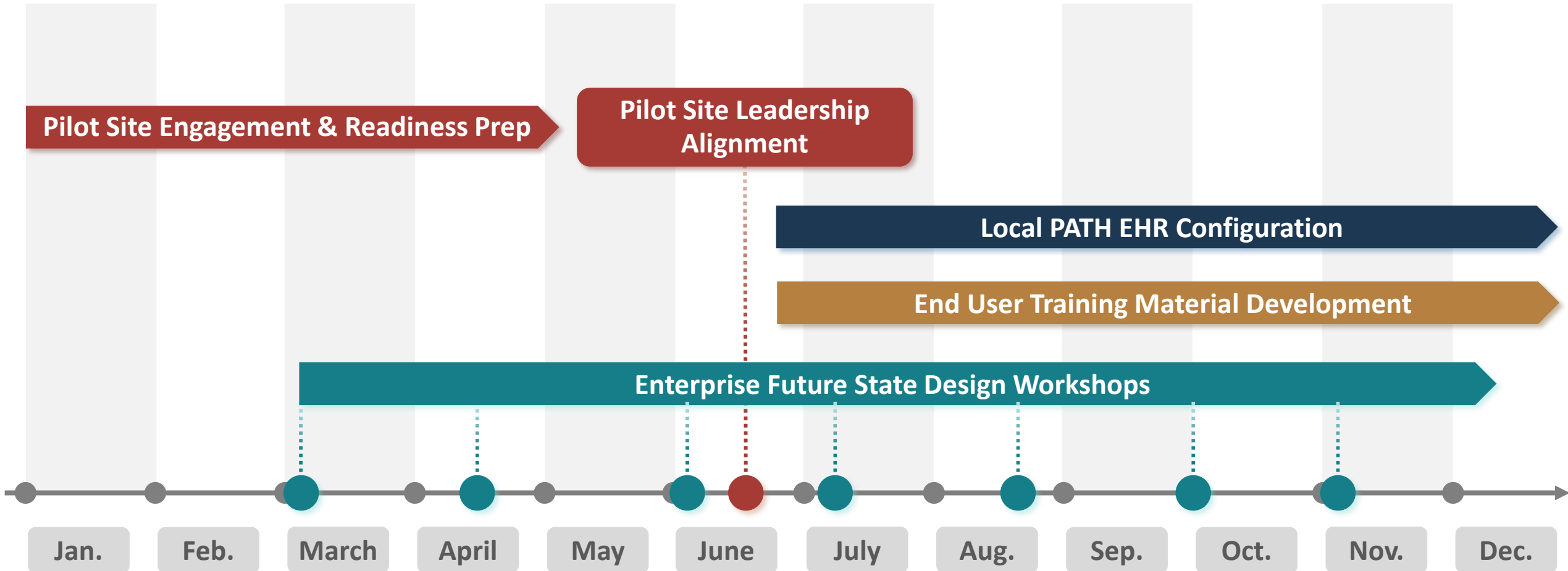
*Hosted on July 31-August 1*



# 2025 Program Timeline



*During 2025, the Program focuses on Enterprise Design Workshops and prepares for pilot site implementation*



# FY25 Recent Activities



Activities

Updates



## Enterprise Design Workshops

Hosted four enterprise design workshops, continued the iterative design approach, guiding participants through the design and build of future-state workflows



## Site Leader Kick-off

Hosted Lawton Service Unit Leader Kick-off on June 10 to begin preparing for PATH EHR implementation



## Current State Review

Held from June through August, the CSR is a combination of hybrid and on-site assessments that analyze a pilot site's operations and business processes to inform future implementation activities



## Pathway to PATH

Held in Lawton, OK on July 30-31, the event provided attendees with the opportunity to connect with Program staff and learn more about the modernization effort



# Enterprise Collaboration Group (ECG) Update

Dr. Howard Hays  
*Chief Medical Information Officer*

# Enterprise Collaboration Group

**The ECG is comprised of expert end-users of PATH EHR, drawn from IHS and participating tribal/urban Indian organizations, to:**

**Ensure that inputs for PATH EHR configuration and change management are coming from actual users of the solution**

**Prioritize patient safety and quality health care by building best practices into PATH EHR workflows, decision support, etc.**

**Address accreditation requirements to minimize risk of adverse findings**

15 ECG Domain Groups meet regularly during Enterprise Design Workshops to consider recommendations for PATH EHR configuration, based on their expertise.



# ECG Membership

*Structure and Composition*



## ECG Executive Committee

### Standing Members



Clinical and administrative  
leaders at IHS headquarters

*5 Standing Members*

### Rotating Members



Chairs of Domain Groups,  
two-year terms

*15 Domain Group Chairs*

## Domain Group Members

(I/T/U, two-year terms)



Domain-appropriate SMEs  
drawn from I/T/U tenants on  
the enterprise EHR solution

*98 Domain Group Members*

# ECG Activities Across the Lifecycle

## Pre-Enterprise Design

- **Key Design Decisions:**  
Regular meetings to discuss vendor-neutral EHR design choices before detailed implementation
- **Domain Preparation:**  
Virtual sessions for Domain Groups to understand processes, procedures, and review design workbooks



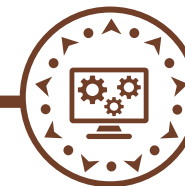
## Enterprise Design

- **Design Workshops:**  
Extensive workshops to finalize software packages and functional domains
- **Core Team Involvement:**  
ECG Chairs/Members, CMIO informatics and DHITMO staff meet regularly with vendor contractors to inform design decisions



## Post-Enterprise Design

- **Ongoing Reviews:** Regular Domain Group meetings to handle change requests, regular updates, and system upgrades
- **Executive Oversight:** The ECG Executive Committee will adjudicate escalated design issues and cross-domain changes





# Modernization Focus: PATH EHR Scope and Capabilities

Jonathan White, GDIT *Clinical Informatics Lead*

Dr. Thomas Mahoney, Oracle *Director & Healthcare Executive*

# Consultation and Confer Questions



- 1 What clarification do you need on PATH EHR capabilities?
- 2 What potential challenges do you foresee for staff or patients in implementing PATH EHR?
- 3 What capabilities and features of PATH EHR are most important to your organization?

# A Single Patient Record in PATH EHR

**Multi-tenancy allows multiple organizations to share a single software solution while keeping data secure.**



## Benefits

- Single patient health record
- Care coordination
- Sustainable
- Scalable
- Centralized maintenance
- Robust security
- Training and onboarding support



# Key Features and Capabilities of PATH EHR

*Comprehensive clinical, financial, and operational solution supporting the end-to-end continuum of care by fully replacing RPMS functionality and more.*

## CLINICAL

### Full Continuum of Care

Robust patient chart application, with a full suite of applications across the continuum of health and care

## FINANCIAL

### End-to-End Revenue Cycle

From registration to claims and beyond; revenue cycle capabilities are driven from clinical workflows

## OPERATIONAL

### Monitoring and Backend Support

End-user adoption, event and error logging, auditing, and performance improvement capabilities inherent within PATH EHR

## INTEROPERABILITY

### Data Interoperability

Data can be shared in multiple ways and multiple formats, securely, quickly, and through industry-standard methods

## REPORTING

### EHR and Enterprise-Wide

Pre-packaged reports, ad hoc queries, from single patient record; enterprise-wide analytics based on EHR and external data sources

# Value of PATH EHR for Clinicians



**Modernized User Interface**  
*Allowing for ease of navigation*



**Decreased No-Show Rates**  
*Timely appointment reminders allow for earlier cancellations and increased patients presenting*



**Increased Time with Patients**  
*Less time searching for disparate information and more time delivering care*



**Improved Efficiency & Interoperability**  
*Industry-standard processes, reduced administrative burden, and better resource utilization*



**Data-Driven Clinical Decisions**  
*Advanced analytics and population health insights for improved patient outcomes*



**Better Device & System Integration**  
*Oracle EHR connectivity, supply chain integration, and integrated ancillary systems*



**Modernized Patient Engagement for Clinicians**  
*Increased provider mobility through PowerChart Touch*

# Value of PATH EHR for Patients



## **Faster, More Convenient Access to Care**

*Shorter appointment scheduling time and streamlined telehealth workflows and referral process*



## **Enhanced Care Coordination**

*Improved access to records, test results, and referrals through a Closed Loop Referral Process*



## **Increased Patient Safety**

*Enhanced clinical decision support, positive patient identification, and safety measures*



## **Seamless Care Across Systems**

*Integrated health data across IHS, tribal, and urban Indian organizations*



## **Modernized Patient Engagement and User Interface**

*Digital consent forms, automated appointment reminders, and self-service Patient Portal*

# PATH EHR Solution Set



## Acute & Ancillaries

Inpatient Pharmacy

Core Clinicals (EHR)

Emergency Department

Rehabilitation

Radiology

Inpatient Behavioral Health

Lab

Clinical Inventory Management

Surgery & Perioperative

Women's Health



## Ambulatory

Core Clinicals (EHR)

Practice Management

Outpatient Pharmacy

Outpatient Behavioral Health

Outpatient Rehab

Patient Portal



## Population Health

Population Health Management

Care Management

Reporting & Analytics



## Revenue Cycle & Health Information Management

Registration

Revenue Cycle Analytics

Scheduling

Acute Case Management

Health Information Management

Document Management

Referral Management

Patient Accounting

Contract Management



## Interoperability

Health Record Management

Public Health Reporting

CommonWell



## Technology Solutions

Device Connectivity

Enterprise Document Management

Mobility & Connect

Interface Engine





## Meet Julie Parrish

- 35-Year-Old
- Married,  
Parent of 2 Children
- Chronic Conditions
  - *High Cholesterol*
  - *Migraine Headaches*

*Has an upcoming appointment for an annual check-up and to refill her medications*

# Patient Journey



## Before Appointment

### 1 week before:

Julie logs in to her portal to remind herself, what the date and time are of her upcoming appointment

### 2 days before:

Julie receives a notification that she can complete pre-check-in activities for her visit

### 1 day before:

Julie receives an automated reminder about her upcoming appointment and indicates that she intends to attend the appointment



## Day of Appointment

Julie checks in at the front desk, staff see that she completed pre-visit information **on-line minimizing the amount of intake needed.**

Her clinician reviews her chart and notes from the staff before seeing Julie. **The system prompts him that Julie is due for a flu vaccine. He also orders a lipid panel to follow-up on Julie's high cholesterol.**

During the visit Julie inquires about a "mole" on her arm that she thinks may be changing. **Her clinician uses an EHR mobile application to capture a picture of the mole directly into her chart for future reference and comparison.**

Julie consents to receiving the influenza vaccine. **Staff use bar code medication administration to ensure the medication being administered matches the medication/vaccine that was ordered.**

Julie's clinician also notes that her migraines are not well controlled despite aggressive therapies. **He enters a referral to neurology to assist with management of Julie's migraine headaches.**





# Open Dialogue

Jeanette Kompkoff  
Director of *DHITMO*

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# Upcoming Engagement Opportunities

Kimberly Shije

*DHITMO Organizational Change Manager*

# 2025 TRIBAL CONSULTATION *and* URBAN CONFER

with the Health IT Modernization Program



**PILOT SITE IMPLEMENTATION PATHWAY**  
**NOVEMBER 6**



Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer (TC/UC) sessions provide an opportunity for our tribal and urban Indian organization partners to hear about Program updates from IHS leadership and provide input about modernization-focused topics for continued improvement of patient outcomes across Indian Country.





# TCMC Satisfaction Survey



Your input will allow  
the IHS to improve  
future events,  
communications, and  
programming.



# Closing

Mitchell Thornbrugh

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