



Indian Health Service Rockville MD 20857

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Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am writing to update you on the Indian Health Service (IHS) Health Information Technology (IT) Modernization, and to share an opportunity for interested Tribal and Urban Indian Organization sites to become directly involved in the collaborative planning for the new IHS enterprise electronic health record (EHR) solution.

One of the central principles of the IHS Health IT Modernization is to build and operate the new EHR solution *with* our partners, not *for* them. As the IHS approaches finalization of a contract award for the new IHS enterprise EHR solution, it is important to know which sites may wish to participate with the IHS on shared enterprise solution planning efforts. As discussed during the May 10 Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer session, the IHS invites sites that are considering the new enterprise EHR as a viable option to complete the enclosed Statement of Interest to indicate their interest in participating in shared enterprise solution planning.

This non-binding Statement of Interest will help the IHS understand which sites are interested in becoming part of the IHS enterprise EHR solution partnership, and asks for limited details about those organizations, such as facility size, current EHR utilization, and point(s) of contact.

The Statement of Interest may be submitted by e-mail to <u>modernization@ihs.gov</u>. There is no deadline for submitting the form. The IHS IT Modernization Program Management Office will reach out to organizations that provide the Statement of Interest to learn more about their facilities, services, and staffing that may need to be supported by the new EHR system. There will also be opportunities for subject matter experts from your organizations to provide individual input in their areas of expertise regarding the configurations and workflows that the new system should provide.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in the Health IT Modernization effort. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Mitchell Thornbrugh, Chief Information Officer, IHS, by telephone at (240) 620-3117, or by e-mail at <u>mitchell.thornbrugh@ihs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Statement of Interest: Participation in IHS Multi-Tenant Enterprise EHR