



January 13, 2025

Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am writing to provide advance notice of four upcoming information sessions we will convene in Calendar Year 2025 to continue our discussion of the Indian Health Service (IHS) Health Information Technology (HIT) Modernization Program. In conjunction with ongoing Agency outreach, we will also be seeking your recommendations and feedback via Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer on these topics.

Please “*Save the Date*” and make plans to join us at these important and timely meetings. Your participation and input to date have been vital to improving the Health IT Modernization Program.

During each of these information sessions, the IHS will provide an update of our progress, milestones, and program challenges.

- The information session scheduled for **February 13, 2025**, will provide an opportunity for Tribal Leaders, Urban Indian Organization Leaders, and their designated representatives to join breakout sessions with IHS Health IT Modernization Program leadership.
- The information session scheduled for **May 15, 2025**, will feature an overview of the Four Directions Warehouse, which is the data repository that will be used to facilitate the migration of data from the IHS Resource and Patient Management System and other electronic health record (EHR) solutions into PATH EHR, and allow for continued access to legacy patient data.
- The information session scheduled for **August 7, 2025**, will feature an overview of applications to be included in PATH EHR based on outcomes from enterprise configuration workshops.
- During the information session on **November 6, 2025**, Health IT Modernization Program leadership will review the status of pilot site activities and upcoming milestones for PATH EHR implementation at facilities located within the Lawton Service Unit in the Oklahoma City Area IHS.

Each information session will be delivered virtually, via Zoom. We are asking that attendees register in advance for the sessions through the links provided in the enclosure, “*IHS Calendar Year 2025 Health Information Technology Modernization Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer Sessions.*” After registering, each attendee will receive an acknowledgement email, which will include a link to the web conference and audio call-in numbers.

For your convenience, the IHS has added the registration links for the information sessions to the [IHS Event Calendar](#) and the [Health IT Modernization Events](#) webpage. We will also be sending timely reminders for the scheduled information sessions by email from IHS Headquarters and IHS Area Offices.

WRITTEN COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please email your comments and recommendations on each Health IT Modernization Program information session within 30 days following each scheduled session.

Please transmit your comments to the appropriate email address:
consultation@ihs.gov or urbanconfer@ihs.gov.

We are requesting that your emails use the **SUBJECT LINES** that follow:

Health IT Modernization CY 02-13-2025
Health IT Modernization CY 05-15-2025
Health IT Modernization CY 08-07-2025
Health IT Modernization CY 11-06-2025

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in the Health IT Modernization Program. The IHS looks forward to your input and discussion at each of these information sessions.

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Mitchell Thornbrugh, Chief Information Officer, IHS, by telephone at (240) 620-3117, or by email at mitchell.thornbrugh@ihs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: *IHS Calendar Year 2025 Health Information Technology Modernization Tribal Consultation and Urban Confer Sessions*