

# A Brief History of Federal Interoperability Efforts

**2009**

Congress passes Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act; establishes EHR Incentive Program ("Meaningful Use")

**2019**

Meaningful Use becomes Promoting Interoperability Programs

**2021**

CMS Patient Access final rule policies become effective

**2024**

CMS publishes Interoperability and Prior Authorization final rule


**2020**

CMS publishes Interoperability and Patient Access final rule  
ONC publishes 21st Century Cures Act final rule  
CMS commits to transitioning to digital quality measures (dQMs)

**2022**

ONC Cures Act final rule policies become effective  
ONC releases RFI on electronic prior authorization in ONC certification  
CMS releases RFI on establishing National Directory for Healthcare  
CMS releases Adoption of Standards for Health Care Attachment Transaction proposed rule

**2023**

First set of designated QHINs joins the  TEFCA Network  
ONC publishes Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability (HTI-1) final rule

**2018**

CMS launches Blue Button 2.0

