



Department of Health & Human Services
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Overview and Initiatives

“Information technology is a pivotal part of transforming our health care system. We are at a critical juncture. Working in close collaboration, the Federal government and private sector can drive changes that will lead to fewer medical errors, lower costs, less hassle, and better care.”

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Secretary Mike Leavitt,
Department of Health
and Human Services

Office of the National Coordinator (ONC)

- **Established in response to Executive Order 13335, April 27, 2004**
- **Responsible for realizing the President's vision of Healthcare IT:**
 - Widespread adoption of interoperable EHR within 10 years
 - Medical information follows the consumer
 - Clinicians have complete, computerized patient information
 - Quality initiatives measure performance and drive quality-based competition
 - Public health and bioterrorism surveillance are seamlessly integrated into care

Health Information Technology Deployment Coordination

