

WEDI Applauds Technology Leaders' Pledge to Improve Interoperability and User-Friendly Apps

WASHINGTON, DC, July 30, 2025 — The Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) applauds the <u>pledge</u> made today by more than 60 major health care and information technology organizations. <u>Early adopters</u> include well-known data networks, health systems and providers, and patient facing application (app) vendors. At the event, 21 data networks, 7 electronic health record (EHR) vendors, and 5 payers committed to the pledge. Eleven health systems or providers committed to accepting patient health information via "kill the clipboard" tools, in addition to the data sharing pledge. Another 30 companies pledged to promote real health outcomes using technology.

Statement from Robert Tennant, WEDI Executive Director

"WEDI appreciates the number of early adopters that have signed this pledge and their commitment to the collaborative work to meet the objectives of the pledge. Seeing the list of diverse and important organizations that have signed this pledge signals a real sea change in how the nation's health care ecosystem will innovate and advance over the next 12-18 months. We fully support the direction of this pledge and look forward to working with CMS and the ASTP to improve health data exchange and reduce administrative burden for all health care stakeholders and improve the delivery of care to patients."

About WEDI

WEDI was formed in 1991 by then HHS Secretary Dr. Louis Sullivan to identify opportunities to improve the efficiency of health data exchange. WEDI was named in the HIPAA legislation as an advisor to the Secretary of HHS. A multi-stakeholder organization representing health plans, providers, state and federal government, health IT vendors, standards groups, and patient advocates, WEDI is the leading authority on the use of information technology to efficiently improve health data exchange, enhance care quality, and reduce costs. With a focus on advancing standards for electronic administrative transactions, and promoting data privacy and security, WEDI has been

instrumental in aligning the industry to harmonize administrative and clinical data. For more information, please visit $\underline{\text{wedi.org}}$.

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