Sequoia Board Elections

Background Information & Process
Context for Board Transition and Elections

- The existing Sequoia Project board oversaw the corporate restructure in 2018 and continued for one year transition period
- Elections now required to fill all Sequoia board seats according to the new size and composition requirements
Board Overview

• Board of Directors Role
  – The Sequoia Project board serves a critical role overseeing and guiding the organization's strategic direction regarding Sequoia’s work related to Interoperability Matters, the ONC TEFCA Recognized Coordinating Entity, and other projects

• Board Meetings
  – The board meets virtually every other month and in person 1 or 2 times a year (HIMSS Annual Conference and Sequoia’s Annual Meeting)

• Board Terms
  – 1-3 years, starting 1/1/2020
Sequoia Board Size

• 13 voting directors elected by Sequoia Members
• Up to 4 voting at-large directors selected by the sitting board
• Unlimited number of government liaisons
• Unlimited number of non-voting directors who have specialized expertise or experience
Sequoia Board Composition (Minimum and Maximum)

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\(^1\) Healthcare provider organizations and/or an organization or individual who represents the interests of physicians other clinicians (e.g. health systems, clinics, physician practices, pharmacies, other care settings, physicians, other clinicians)

\(^2\) HINS (e.g. national networks, regional/state HIEs, other types of HINs)
Key Responsibilities

- Govern The Sequoia Project as an organization
- Oversee and advise regarding strategies to assure the financial health and continued growth of the organization
- Assure that The Sequoia Project initiatives are sustainable and continue to grow and innovate
- Advise regarding the strategic direction in a rapidly changing health IT space
- Help position The Sequoia Project as a leader in the industry
- Serve on a range of Board Committees, such as: Finance Committee, Nominating Committee, Strategic Planning, etc.
Qualifications of Nominees

• Nominees for member-elected seats must either be employed by or under contract with the member organization
• Given the increasingly strategic role that board members will play, the ideal candidates should meet the following set of experience and skills:
  – Should be a senior-level executive within the organization
  – A minimum of 10 years’ experience in the health IT industry or similar industries
  – Extensive knowledge of health IT field, in particular interoperability
  – Experience in developing or advising regarding a corporate strategy
  – Deep insights into the health IT market dynamics, and the role that a successful public-private collaborative can play in advancing nationwide interoperable data sharing.
  – Ability to participate in a minimum of 80% of The Sequoia Project board calls and to actively engage in at least one Board committee
Sequoia Board Election Process

• The Sequoia Board Nominating Committee is overseeing the nomination and election process in accordance with the bylaws

• Key Milestones:
  – **November 29, 2019**: Deadline for submission of nominees
  – Early December 2019: Committee meeting to review slate of nominees
  – December 2019: Election of new Board members
  – January 2020: Onboard new Board members; officer elections
    • At Large Directors will be elected/appointed by the new Board
    • Current At Large Directors will remain until successors are named
Submit Nominations

- Deadline: November 29, 2019
- Questions: Board@sequoiaproject.org
- Complete online application at:
  https://www.cognitoforms.com/TheSequoiaProject1/TheSequoiaProjectBoardOfDirectorsApplication2019