



Understanding TEFCA and the Role of the Recognized Coordinating Entity (RCE)

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Three Goals

Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement



GOAL 1

Provide a single
“on-ramp” to
nationwide
connectivity



GOAL 2

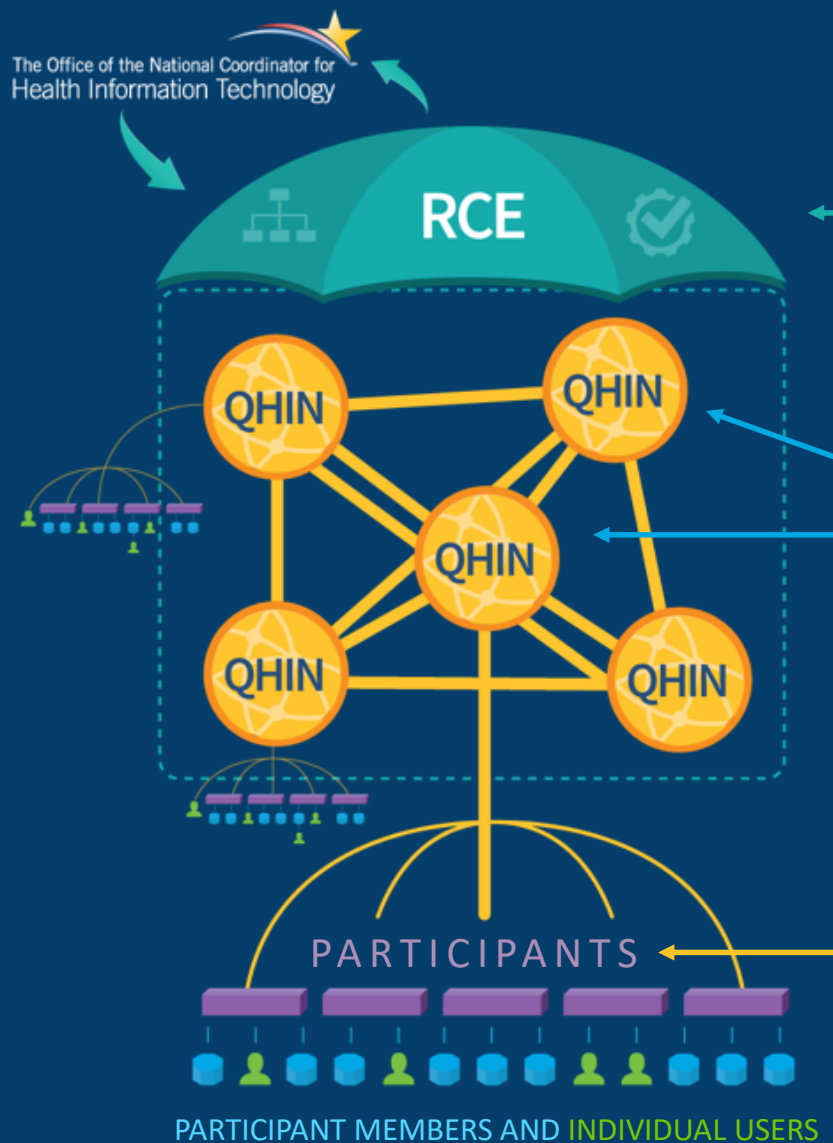
Electronic health
information
securely follows
you when and
where it is needed



GOAL 3

Support
nationwide
scalability

How Will the Common Agreement Work?



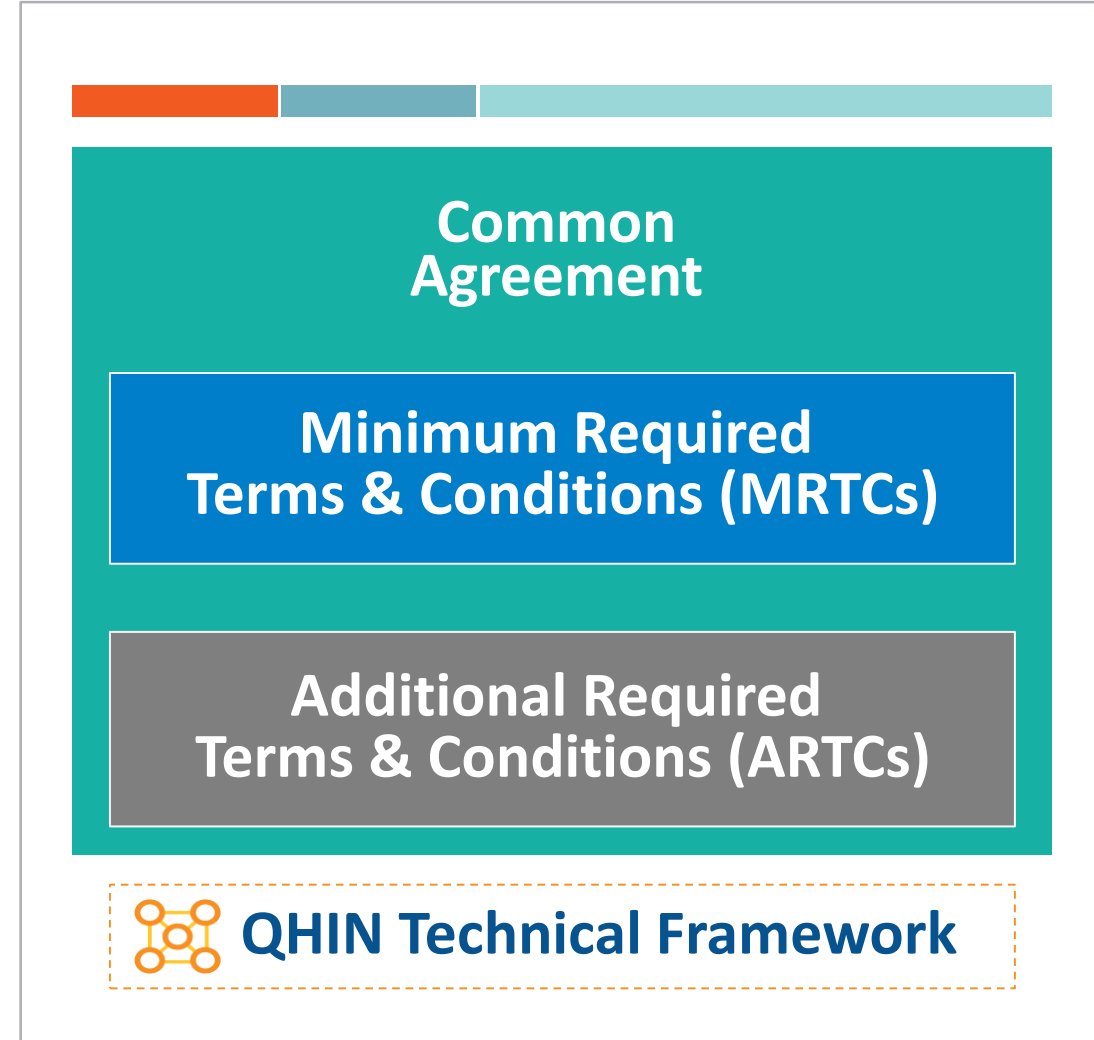
Recognized Coordinating Entity (RCE) provides oversight and governance for Qualified Health Information Networks (QHINs).

Qualified Health Information Networks (QHINs) connect directly to each other to facilitate nationwide interoperability.

Each QHIN represents a variety of Participants that they connect together, serving a wide range of Participant Members and Individual Users.

What is the Common Agreement?

The Common Agreement will provide the governance necessary to scale a functioning system of connected health information networks that will grow over time to meet the needs of individuals, clinicians, and payers.

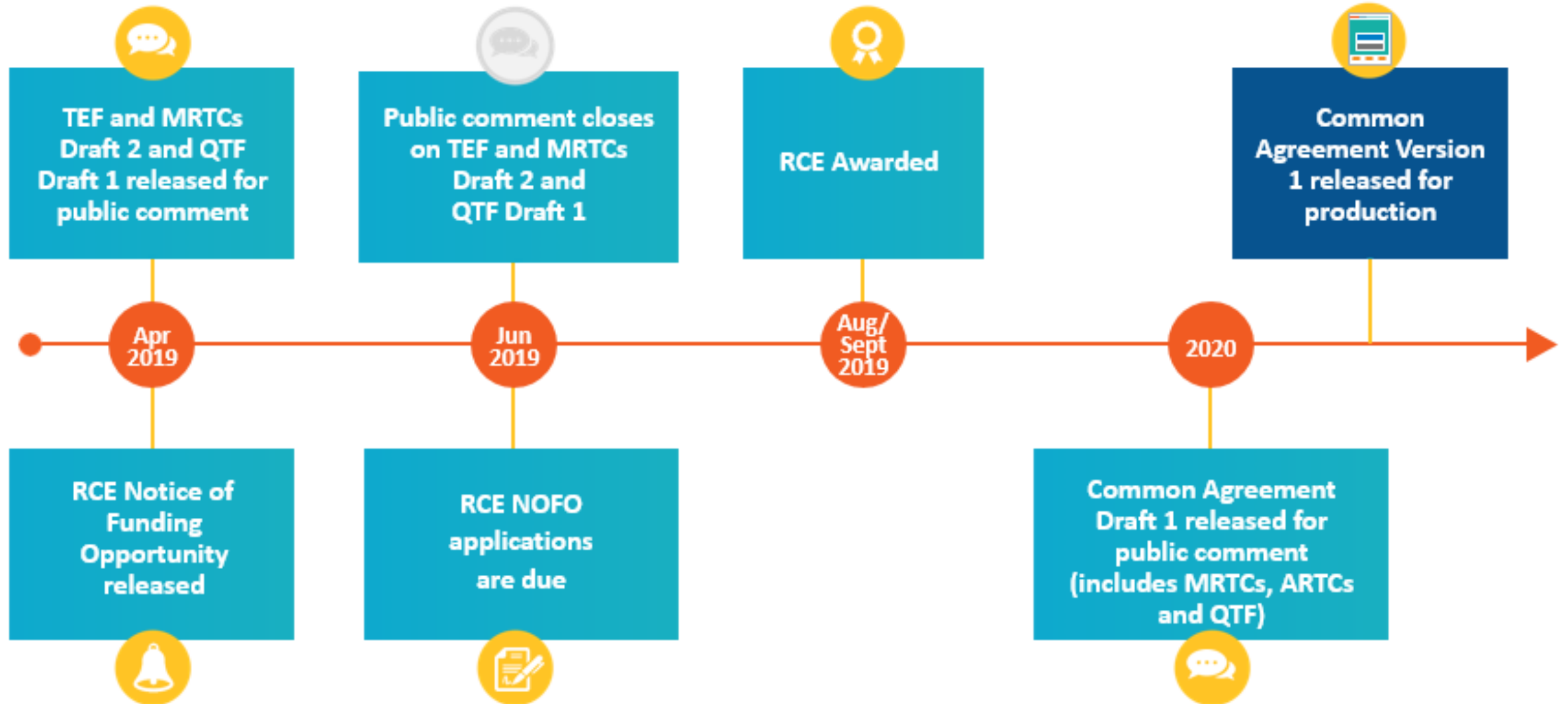


ONC & the RCE + What's Next

- ONC will define the minimum required terms and conditions (MRTCs) needed to bridge the current differences among data sharing agreements that are preventing the flow of electronic health information.
- The RCE is responsible for developing the ARTCs and the QTF with input received from the public stakeholder feedback sessions and ONC.
- ONC works closely with the RCE and is continually involved in implementation of the Common Agreement.
- ONC expects to publish a draft of the Common Agreement in 2020.
- The RCE will hold public stakeholder feedback sessions to gain input on the additional required terms and conditions of the Common Agreement – Please participate



TEFCA Timeline





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