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Solving the Consent Puzzle: Navigating Policy, Technical Barriers, and Computable Consent Standards

Panel Discussion

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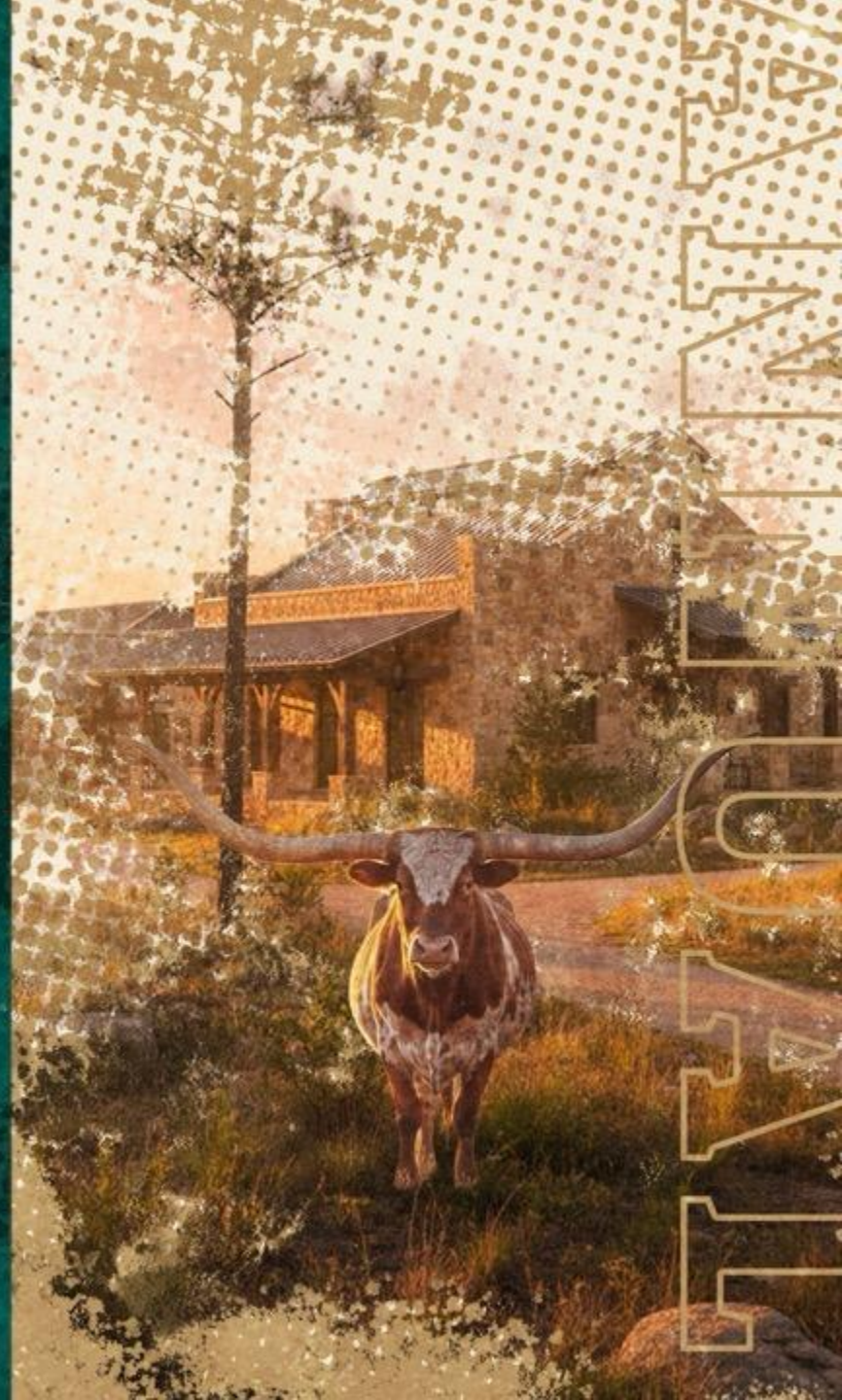

Privacy & Consent Workgroup

The Privacy & Consent Workgroup has developed a series of resources to advance practical approaches to privacy and consent.



Moving Towards Computable Consent (2025)

Findings and Next Steps

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Guidance To States (2026):

Legislating Technical Standard Definitions for Existing State Sensitive Health Data Laws

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Operationalizing Automated Consent (2026):

Actionable Guidance for Health Care Providers, Payers, and Other Health Care Organizations

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What's Next?

The Workgroup has two new tasks underway:

1. A white paper on the legal, technical, and operational landscape governing consumer access to health information
2. A compendium of existing healthcare consent standards and related industry initiatives

Propelling the Healthcare Community Forward

This Workgroup is a Community of Practice that convenes members of The Sequoia Project and subject matter experts focused on information exchange that appropriately protects privacy.

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Privacy & Consent Roundtable Aims

- Advancing collective progress by sharing knowledge, updates and opportunities across national Privacy & Consent initiatives
- Accelerating adoption of standards-based tools to share privacy and consent rules and build operational know-how
- Aligning around policy education priorities to address variability across federal, state, and local rules to enable change at scale



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