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Thank you for your continued work to keep your community healthy. We recognize how hard that work can be, and we appreciate everything you do.

We are reaching out to let you know about an upcoming change at the end of the year. The provider of the health information exchange (HIE) and the clinical data repository (CDR) will be moving from OneHealthPort (OHP) to Health Commons Project (HCP). You may have received an eblast from OHP on July 16 or this may be the first time you're hearing about this change.

HIE is critical to keeping Washingtonians healthy, as it provides critical information from health care and clinical partners, such as immunization records, prescription fills, lab and case data for disease monitoring (WDRS), and other data connections. Interruptions to these data streams have the potential to set us all back and rely on the speed of faxes and human data entry. If we've learned anything from COVID-19, it is how important updated health information is to keeping our communities healthy.

Here is what we know about this effort:

- HCP bought OHP and will continue to provide the same HIE services.
- The current HIE and CDR services will **not** have any service interruption due to the ownership change.
- The subscription price is not expected to change.
- The organization will be providing services officially as **HCP OneHealthPort, LLC.** This will be their business name for the services but has no impact on the services.

HCP is expected to make a formal press announcement on Friday, November 1. They will share this exciting news and will officially take over operations on January 1, 2025. As there is no impact expected on services regularly accessed through the HIE, we are not anticipating further updates. However, should there be additional information, we will post any updates on our website, as well as through this channel.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at <u>DataExchange@doh.wa.gov</u>. Your continued support and participation in the HIE are critical to its success, imperative when it comes to ensuring the data provided is correct, and important to the entire state as we all work towards a healthy future.

Thank you,

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