

The Fourth HIPAA Summit West

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Taking the Nationwide DURSA to the Community Level: Constructing a Consistent Trust Framework to Protect PHI

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HIE Priorities & Requirements Include:

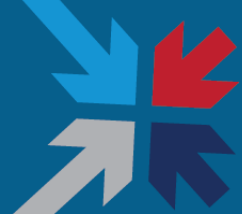
- **Enable Meaningful Use = \$**
- **Reach Critical Mass**
- **Engender Confidence & Support**
 - Consumers
 - Providers
 - Business Partners / Vendors
- **Achieve Sustainability**

Short Formula for Stimulus Incentives

$$\text{\$} = \text{EHR} + \text{HIE} + \text{Quality Reporting}$$

Meaningful Use

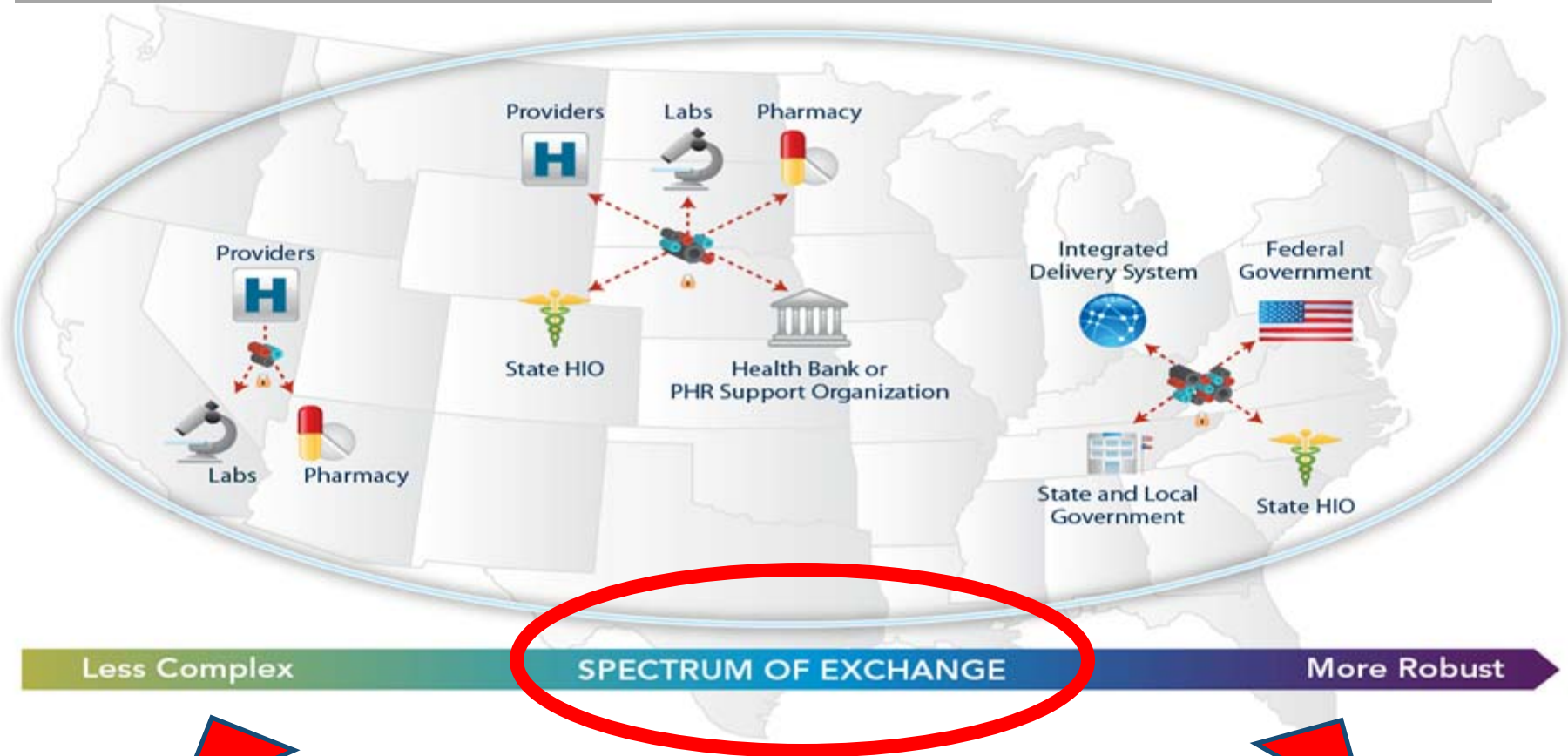
What is the Nationwide Network?



A set of **policies**, **standards** and **services** that enable the Internet to be used for secure and meaningful exchange of health information to improve health and health care.



Supporting Local and Nationwide Exchange



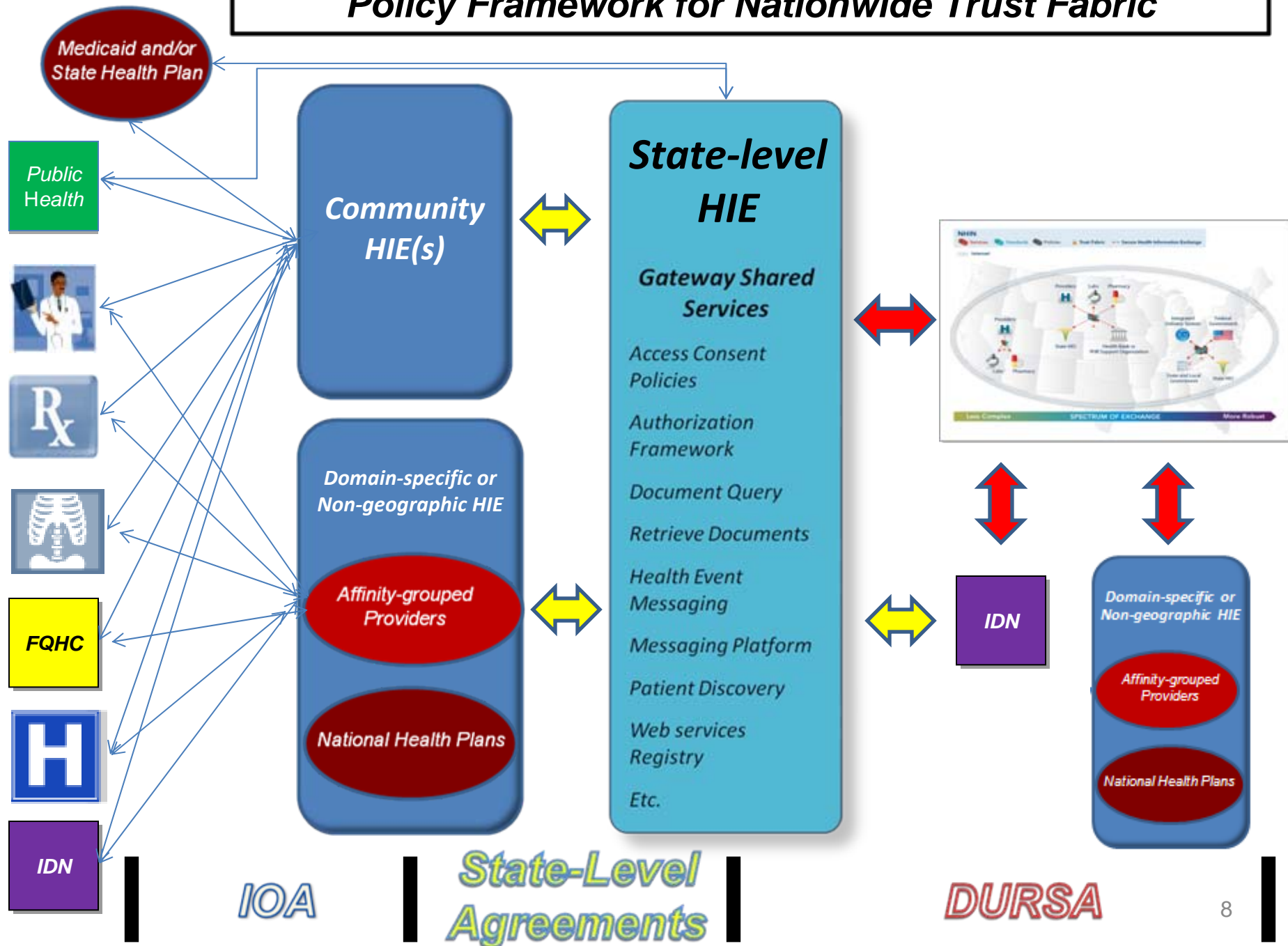
Components of the Trust Framework

- **Legal Agreements**
 - Definitions
 - Expectations
 - Responsibilities
 - Liabilities / Consequences
- **Operating Policies & Procedures**
 - Governance
 - Change Process
 - Dispute Resolution
 - Discipline

Levels of the Trust Framework

- **DURSA – Data Use and Reciprocal Support Agreement**
 - Under development since 2007 by Federal Agencies and Private Sector
 - In use today to support production exchange
- **State-level Agreements**
 - Response to HIT Cooperative Agreements for Statewide HIE
- **IOA – Inter-Organizational Agreements**
 - Traditionally between two parties

Policy Framework for Nationwide Trust Fabric



Conclusions

- Policy landscape is very complex
- States are acting quickly to access stimulus funds and creating HIE policy independently
- The danger is that the trust framework will contain inconsistent policies (e.g. consent) that inhibit secure and efficient interstate exchange of electronic health information, thus perpetuating delays and related quality factors
- Solution is coordinated effort to move toward unified trust framework.

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Thank You

DURSA and Related Operating Policies & Procedures:

http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/community/healthit_hhs.gov_nhin_resources/1194

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