The Envisioned Timeline to Interoperability

State grant monies begin flowing from HHS to develop technical, privacy, governance and financing frameworks necessary for HIE to take shape

Medicare and Medicaid Incentive payments begin, presuming HIEs have come online

Medicare and Medicaid Incentive payments give way to penalties on providers for failing to adopt HIT

2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016

HHS to establish interoperability standards by the end of 2009 to guide HIE development

Setting of standards enables providers to begin selecting and/or modifying existing systems to comply with Medicare and Medicaid incentive payment requirements for HIE interoperability

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