

## Health Information Compliance Alert

### Sequoia Project Publishes Free PHE Guide

Emergency preparedness continues to be a hot topic in the health IT industry, particularly as organizations and public health officials review their responses to COVID-19 during the height of the pandemic.

On Feb. 28, the Sequoia Project, the non-profit, 501c3, public-private collaborative that is also the Recognized Coordinating Entity (RCE) for the HHS Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Trusted Exchange Framework Common Agreement (TEFCA), published a free, downloadable white paper titled Pandemic Response Insights and Recommendations. The think tank's Emergency Preparedness Information Workgroup (EPIW) compiled the resources over several months, looking at care gaps, policy fails, threats, and emergency response, a Sequoia Project release says.



The white paper includes analysis of COVID-related issues; 17 recommendations for stakeholders to boost health information exchange (HIE); and "Next Steps" advice. You can read the Sequoia Project's release and find the link to this helpful resource at [www.globenewswire.com/en/news-release/2022/02/28/2393249/0/en/The-Sequoia-Project-s-Emergency-Preparedness-Information-Workgroup-Publishes-Health-IT-Pandemic-Response-Planning-Recommendations.html](http://www.globenewswire.com/en/news-release/2022/02/28/2393249/0/en/The-Sequoia-Project-s-Emergency-Preparedness-Information-Workgroup-Publishes-Health-IT-Pandemic-Response-Planning-Recommendations.html).