# NHII 03 Homeland Security Group B

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 NHII should be comprised of infrastructure that supports prevention, detection, response, and recovery to natural and deliberate population health events.

 NHII should be comprised of capabilities that include interoperability, timeliness, redundancy, security, accessibility, efficient, integrated, secure, and are userfriendly.

 NHII should enable multiple, continuous, bi-directional data flows to support decisions affecting the health and safety of populations.

 NHII should be encompass multiple sectors and groups agreeing to a unified "highway" and to adhere to the "rules of the road" (yet to be written).

NHII should be comprised of verifiable standards of performance

NHII should be dual use.

### Recommendation One Demonstration Projects and Information Sharing

- Institute state and local level demonstration projects that identify and promote best practices
- Short Term Report Out and Shared by 2005

### Recommendation Two Unified Framework

- All funding agencies relevant to homeland security should have a unified framework for standards with implementation guidelines and technical assistance
- Short term

### **Recommendation Three Messaging Standards**

- All electronically available data within hospitals, laboratories, pharmacies and other relevant entities should be capable of being transmitted by agreed upon standards (e.g. HL7)
- Short term

### **Recommendation Four Common PH – HLS Infrastructure**

- Key agencies should embrace a unified framework for architecture, interoperability and messaging standards
- Short term

### **Recommendation Five Verification**

- Funding should be contingent upon assuring strategies for monitoring and verifying accountability and consistently incremental attainment of NHII goals.
- Short term

### Target Organizations / Stakeholders

- DHHS
- DHS
- EPA
- DoE
- FEMA
- USDA
- Defense Community
- Intelligence Community
- Professional Organizations
- State and Local Agencies (health, safety, government, businesses, etc.)