

AI in Healthcare: Policy Recommendations and Voting

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Agenda

- Study Overview
- Summary of key findings
- The case for legislation
- Policy recommendations
- Vote



Study Overview

Timeline	4-6 months; interviews conducted over 6 weeks (Jul-Aug)	
Source material	Literature review & subject matter expert interviews	
Scope	Focus: enterprise applications and adoption of AI in healthcare settings (hospitals and health systems) & clinical support tools used for mediating clinician-patient relationship (diagnosis, communication, etc.)	
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Study Overview 3



- (1) AI is not new in the healthcare sector, but the newest AI is front-of-mind;
- (2) The dominant business case for adopting new AI technologies is clinician burnout;
- (3) Good AI governance is a top priority, but it is uneven, institution-specific, and voluntary;
- (4) Multiple and messy external vendor dependencies characterize AI adoption;
- (5) Humans are staying in the loop;
- (6) Developers, deployers, and end-users want regulatory clarity and harmonization.



(1) AI is not new, but there are new AI applications rapidly changing how healthcare is delivered



(2) The business case for AI adoption is often clinician burnout



(3) Good AI governance is a top priority, but it's uneven, institution-specific, and largely voluntary



(4) Multiple and messy external vendor dependencies characterize AI adoption



(5) Humans are staying in the loop to provide oversight of AI models



(6) Developers, deployers, and end-users could benefit from regulatory clarity and harmonization



Challenges & Controversies

The "black box"

Negative outcomes for patients

Lack of transparency

Data privacy and security

Patchwork of binding and non-binding policy

Data quality

Complicated role of humans in the loop



The Case for Legislation

- Mitigate risks, address known challenges and controversies
- Provide developers/deployers/end-users clarity for long-term planning
- Standardize governance expectations and frameworks
- Promote AI adoption by establishing clear guardrails
- Create an opportunity for **sharing knowledge** for other states and federal regulation



Legislative		Roadmap for Responsible Regulation	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	AI governance processes for healthcare providers Model transparency standards Model validation and evaluation standards Adverse event reporting Specific requirements for humans in the loop Public disclosures about AI use Enforcement and investigation mechanisms and oversight agency	 adaptive, and accountable for outcomes Accommodate the rapidly evolving AI landscape by making room for regulatory changes and updates Provide opportunities for intentional and iterative consultation to ensure compliance requirements are 	



(1) AI governance processes for healthcare providers

Explanation

For Deployers: Documented AI governance processes that detail internal standards for decision making processing for adopting AI systems, including designating an accountable AI officer or committee.



(2) Model transparency standards

Explanation

For Developers and Deployers: Standards should apply to modifications made to AI models in recognition of the complex dependencies that results from software integration. Transparency standards should be developed in consultation with diverse stakeholders but may include training data, model weights, and performance metrics/benchmarks.



(3) Model validation and evaluation standards

Explanation

For Developers and Deployers: Requires independent impact assessments, testing, and evaluation of phases of models, encompassing both before and after deployment assessments to evaluate model performance in real-world settings.



(4) Adverse event reporting

Explanation

For Deployers: Requires reporting information about serious incidents and negative events that result from the development or deployment of technology. Definition of categories of incidents that required reporting should be defined in regulatory guidance, and reporting should be continuous throughout the lifecycle of an AI product.



(5) Specific requirements for humans in the loop and clarity on liability

Explanation

For Deployers: Requirements such as user-centered design in the development of AI models, requiring AI literacy training for human oversight of AI models, and requiring ongoing workforce development plans for entities procuring AI solutions. To address clinician concerns about liability, clarify the roles and responsibilities of developers, deployers, and end-users.



(6) Public disclosures about AI use

Explanation

For Deployers: Provide patients with information about how their data is managed and protected in relation to generative AI and when AI is being used in their care. Disclosures should provide comprehensible, clear, and actionable information to patients, which may include opt-in or opt-out mechanisms.



(7) Enforcement and investigation mechanisms and oversight agency

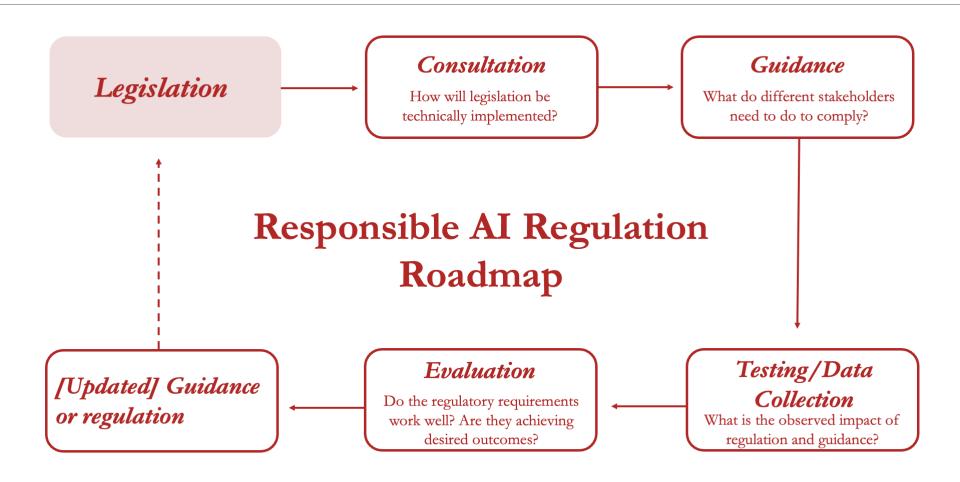
Explanation

An entity (e.g., section within the Office of the Attorney General) that can receive complaints and concerns from patients or members of the public, proactively investigate non-compliance or violations of established regulation, and impose penalties.



The Roadmap:

Regulation as a process, not an endpoint





Legislative (Combined or individual bills)		Roadmap (Potential Study Topic)	
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	AI governance processes for healthcare providers Model transparency standards Model validation and evaluation standards Adverse event reporting Specific requirements for humans in the loop Public disclosures about AI use Enforcement and investigation mechanisms and oversight agency	• A a • A b • F	Address the need for regulation to be agile, adaptive, and accountable for outcomes Accommodate the rapidly evolving AI landscape by making room for regulatory changes and updates Provide opportunities for intentional and iterative consultation to ensure compliance requirements are feasible and outcome-driven Share learnings openly to facilitate inter-state
	oversight agency		narmonization and regulatory coherence