

## Summary of New and Revoked Healthcare Information Technology Orders and Actions by President Trump

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- 1. EO 14148: Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions (January 20, 2025): This memorandum directs all executive departments and agencies to freeze the implementation of new rules and regulations until they undergo review by agency heads appointed after January 20, 2025. It also required the immediate withdrawal of any unpublished rules and the postponement of the effective date for rules already published, to allow for a 60-day review period. The goal is to ensure that new regulations align with the administration's priorities and policies. This order may slow the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) and underlying agencies' regulatory pipeline. Key revoked EOs include:
  - Revoked EO 13995: Ensuring an Equitable Pandemic Response and Recovery: This order emphasized addressing the unequal impacts of COVID-19 on underserved communities, specifically equitable vaccine distribution, data collection and monitoring, and improving healthcare resources and access.
  - 2. Revoked EO 13996: Establishing the COVID-19 Pandemic Testing Board and Ensuring a Sustainable Public Health Workforce for COVID-19 and Other Biological Threats: This order established the COVID-19 Pandemic Testing Board to improve testing capabilities, enhance data collection, and ensure equitable access to COVID-19 testing and vaccinations. It also aimed to build a sustainable public health workforce capable of addressing COVID-19 and other biological threats, impacting public health infrastructure and system resilience. This removal could reduce testing capabilities, data collection, and continued public health response.
  - 3. Revoked EO 14110: Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence: This order outlined a comprehensive framework to guide safe, secure, and ethical development and use of artificial intelligence (AI) technologies across the U.S. The order directed more than 50 federal entities to

engage in over 100 specific actions across eight key policy areas: safety and security, innovation and competition, workforce support, addressing AI bias and civil rights, consumer protection, privacy, federal use of AI, and international leadership. Its principles laid the foundation for HHS' strategic AI plan, which aimed to promote ethical AI practices while balancing innovation with public safety and privacy.

Three days later, President Trump signed the related <u>EO 14179: Removing</u> <u>Barriers to American Leadership in Artificial Intelligence</u>. This order directed the creation of an Artificial Intelligence Action Plan within 180 days. Additionally, it reiterated the revocation of EO 14110 (along with other Alrelated OMB memoranda), citing these as barriers to Al innovation.

- 2. Immediate Pause on Issuing Documents and HHS Public Communications: Acting HHS Secretary, Dorothy Fink, sent out an agency-wide memo requiring leaders of its agencies to refrain from publicly issuing any document or communication, including regulations and press releases, until it has been reviewed and approved by a Presidential appointee. There is an exception for emergencies and matters critical to health and safety. The pause will be in effect through February 1, 2025. In an <u>article</u> published on February 6, a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) spokesperson stated that "There are several types of external communications that are no longer subject to the pause. All HHS divisions have been given clear guidance on how to seek approval for any other type of mass communication."
- **3. Removal of HHS Reproductive Website:** Reproductiverights.gov was initially launched by the Biden administration to provide resources for those seeking information on reproductive health, such as birth control, abortion, and reproductive health care.
- 4. <u>EO 14155: Withdrawing the United States from the World Health Organization:</u> This order mandates the withdrawal of the U.S. from the World Health Organization (WHO), citing the organization's mishandling of global health crises, lack of necessary reforms, political influence, and disproportionate financial burdens on the U.S. It revokes prior executive actions that re-engaged the U.S. with the WHO, halts funding and support, recalls personnel, and directs federal agencies to find alternative global health partners. The order also ceases U.S. participation in negotiations on the WHO Pandemic Agreement and related regulations.
  - a. Official Fact Sheet

- 5. EO 14221: Making America Healthy Again by Empowering Patients With Clear, Accurate, and Actionable Healthcare Pricing Information: This EO directs the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Labor, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to take "all necessary and appropriate action to rapidly implement and enforce the healthcare price transparency regulations issued pursuant to Executive Order 13877," signed in 2019, "including, within 90 days of the date of this order, action to:
  - a. require the disclosure of the actual prices of items and services, not estimates;
  - b. issue updated guidance or proposed regulatory action ensuring pricing information is standardized and easily comparable across hospitals and health plans; and
  - c. issue guidance or proposed regulatory action updating enforcement policies designed to ensure compliance with the transparent reporting of complete, accurate, and meaningful data."