With the information blocking compliance deadline in effect, as of April 5, 2021, we want to help your practice. To that end, we recommend that you review the following best practices.

Please note: The information below is for informational purposes and not intended as legal or professional advice.

01 Create business and compliance plans

02 Review rules and resources from the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

- ONC compliance dates and timelines
- ONC Information Blocking fact sheets
- Review the eight exceptions to Information Blocking
- ONC Final Rule
- CMS Final Rule
- Information regarding United States Core Data for Interoperability (USCDI)

03 Assess your business risks and scope

04 Gather resources on your software (i.e. EHR, portal, HIE/HIN, other)

- Gather help documentation
- Understand which data classes are available in the software and which are not
- Review information about USCDI v1

05 Review and develop policies and procedures

06 Develop a process for documenting requests for information and any exceptions, as applicable

07 Train and communicate (internally and externally)