

# **Update: “Payer’s workshop” and related activities**

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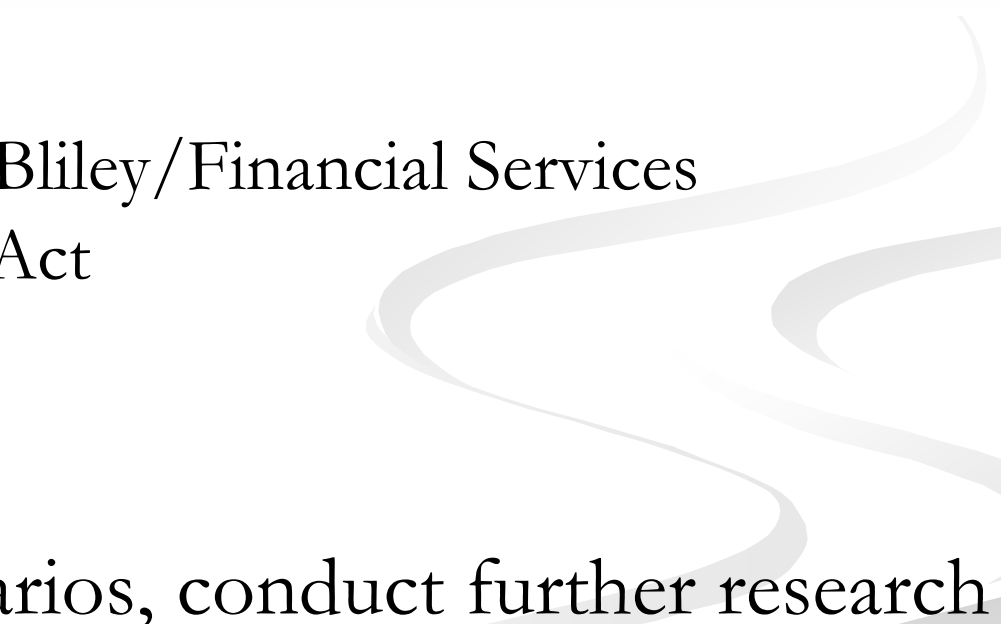
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# Action Items

- White Paper on workshop emerging themes
- Analyze data sharing legal and policy issues
- Research on physician ordering of genetic tests
- Develop criteria for prioritizing tests for coupling evidence generation with coverage and reimbursement.
- Define a private infrastructure model to conduct clinical utility research.

# Data-sharing legal and policy issues

- How to overcome legal, policy barriers
  - Laws that apply:
    - HIPAA
    - Gramm-Leach-Bliley/Financial Services Modernization Act
    - Common Rule
    - State laws
  - Define the scenarios, conduct further research
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# Research on physician ordering of genetic tests

## Importance of Clinical Information for Optimal Genetic Test Selection and Interpretation

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## Inappropriate MoPath Orders:

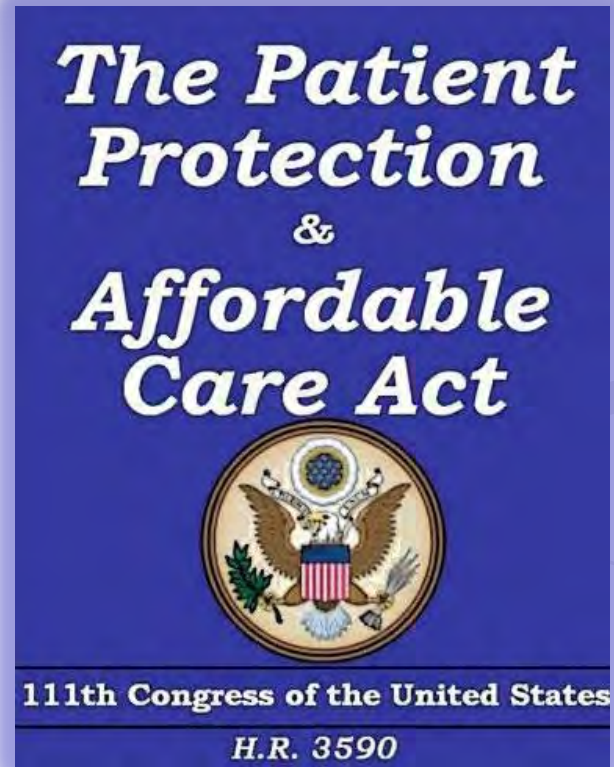
### A Payer's Perspective

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# NHGRI/HHS Project

- Started in 2012
- Explore how HHS (NIH, CDC, CMS, AHRQ, etc) can catalyze clinical use of WGS/WES
- Grew out of NHGRI achievement of sequencing goal
- Synthesis of recommendations + expert panels
- Trans-HHS working group

# BRCA Testing coverage



# MEDCAC Meeting

- Assess level of evidence for a test
- Informs Medicare coverage decisions
- Meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Reviewed tissue of origin tests in cancers of unknown primary site
- Panel found moderate evidence of clinical validity, but little evidence of utility.

# Possible ideas for future work

- Develop criteria for prioritizing tests for coupling evidence generation with coverage and reimbursement.
- Define a private infrastructure model to conduct clinical utility research.
- Medicare coverage of genetic counseling
- Identify tests that are appropriate for:
  - (a) coverage now
  - (b) coverage if tied with some kind with evidence development  
and for whom...
- Analysis of what *is* covered and what we think ought to be covered.