

Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc. (VITL) Update to Senate Finance Committee

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HIT Fund Ins and Outs

HIT FUND			
SFY	Receipts	Expenditures	Balance
SFY'09	\$ 1,725,505.67	\$ 1,404,447.01	\$ 321,058.66
SFY'10	\$ 2,462,827.92	\$ 127,388.62	\$ 2,656,497.96
SFY'11	\$ 2,877,846.80	\$ 589,401.87	\$ 4,944,942.89
SFY'12	\$ 3,467,955.96	\$ 1,856,814.71	\$ 6,556,084.14
SFY'13	\$ 3,122,199.00	\$ 2,721,643.00	\$ 6,956,640.14
SFY'14	\$ 3,273,051.91	\$ 3,964,254.20*	\$ 6,265,437.59*
Total	\$ 16,929,387.26	\$ 10,663,949.41	
PROJECTED			
SFY'15	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 6,929,809.74*	\$ 2,335,627.85
SFY'16	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 5,700,000.00	\$ (364,372.15)
SFY'17	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 5,700,000.00	\$ (3,064,372.15)
SFY'18	\$ -	\$ 5,700,000.00	\$ (8,764,372.15)



HIT Fund – Key Points

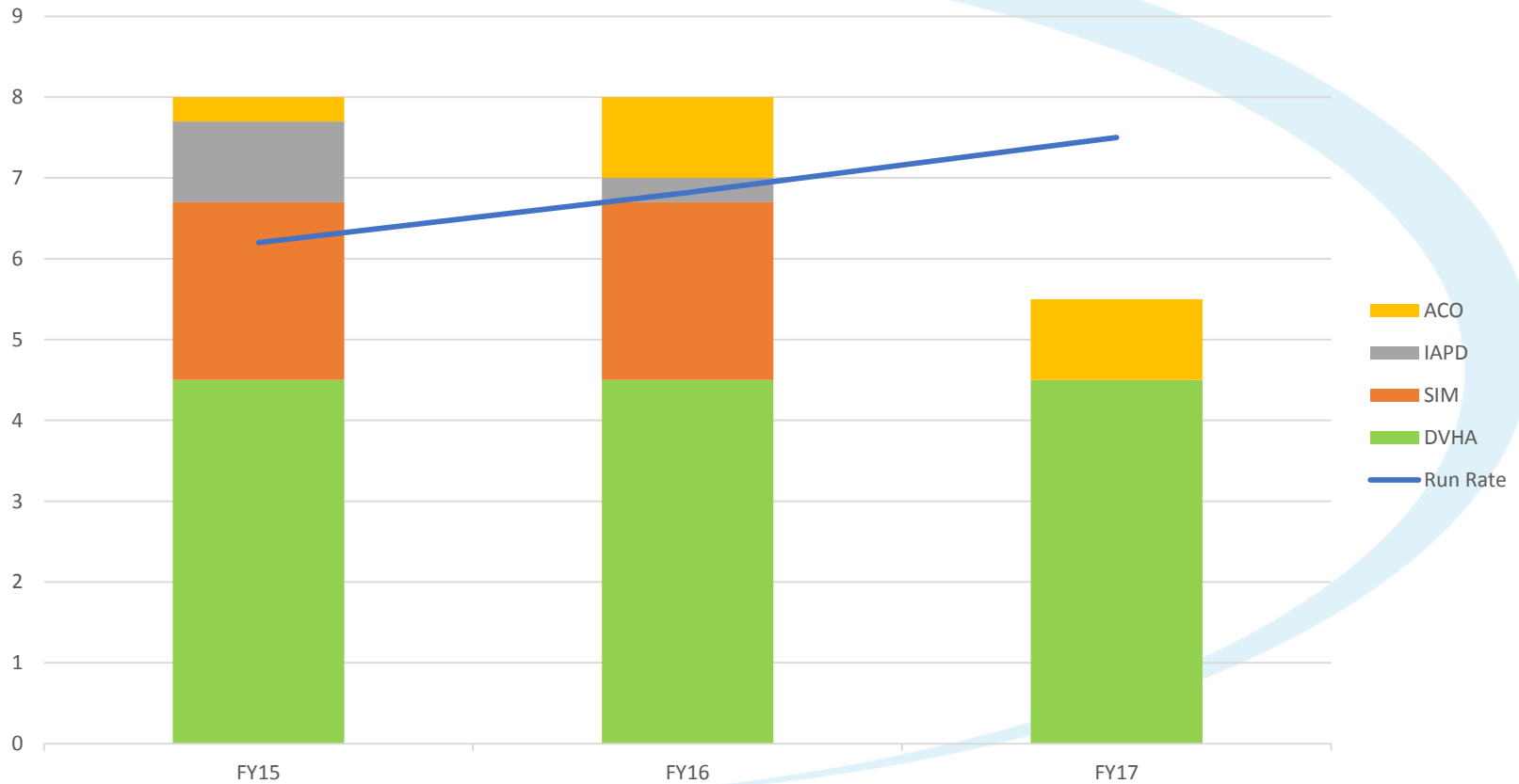
- Early years fund was accumulated as receipts exceeded expenditures
- Recent years' utilization
 - VITL acceleration to build the VHIE
 - Leverage Federal program funds
 - Respond to health care reform needs
- Annual receipts flat
- Current assumptions show fund depleted after FY16
- Tax set to sunset in FY17



Funding Sources

- DVHA Grant \$4.5 million (FY15)
 - From HIT Fund
 - Used directly
 - Additional amounts to leverage Federal funds
 - SIM \$4.7 million total; expect to use \$2.2 million in FY15
 - IAPD \$1.3 million total; expect to use \$1.0 million in FY15

VITL Projected Revenue v Expense Run Rate



Case for Continuing HIT Tax

- Allows for baseline ongoing support of VHIE
- Avoids abrupt reduction in VITL activities
- Allows for planning
 - Technology projects requiring longer horizons
 - Find alternative funding sources to provide future support
- Provides leverage (matching funds) for Federal HIT monies



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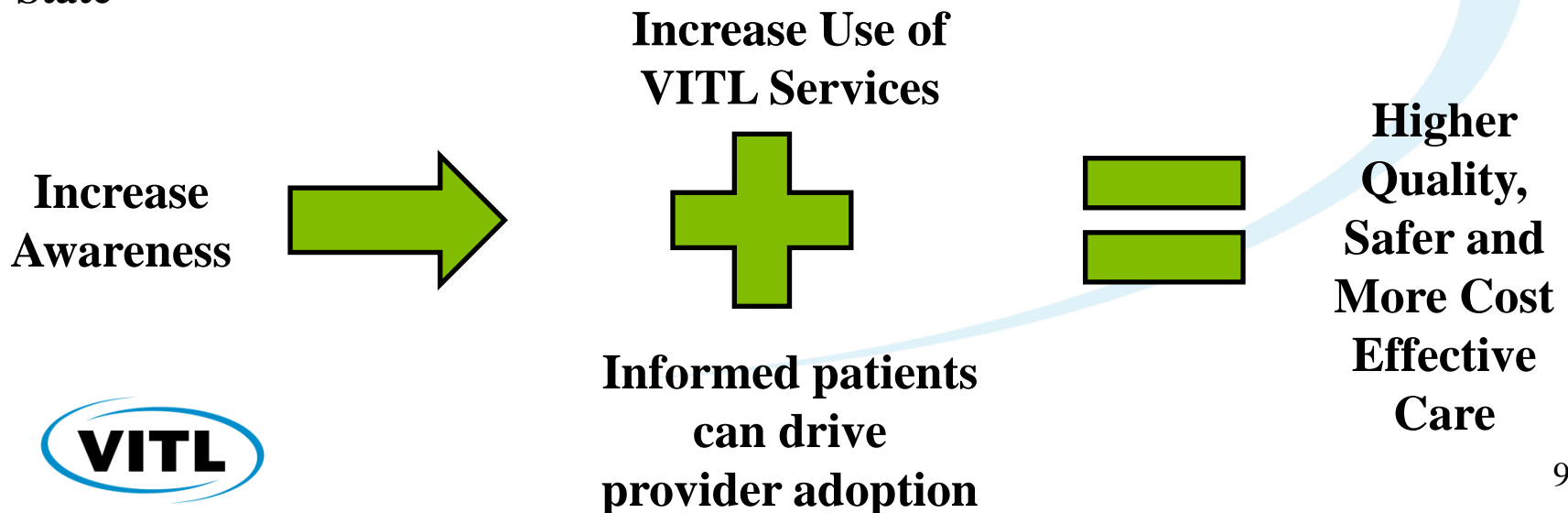
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VITL Awareness Campaign

- **Increasing Public and Provider Awareness is a State and Federal Expectation:**
 - “educate the general public and health care professionals about the value of an electronic health infrastructure for improving patient care” - VT Title 18, Chapter 219, Subchapter 001, § 9351. (b)2
 - “HHS will educate consumers from diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds on HIE and what it means for them.” – ONC/CMS Principles and Strategy for Accelerating Health Information Exchange (HIE)
- **Challenge in Vermont: Statewide public opinion survey (Feb 2014): less than a fifth of Vermonters are familiar with VITL and its services**
- **VITL’s Awareness Campaign (\$195,000) is funded by the IAPD: 90% Federal 10% State**



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- Impact in addition to Increasing Awareness of VITL services:
 - Inform providers and patients about educational events:
 - VITL Summit
 - Community events: three held thus far in Burlington, Norwich and Brattleboro
 - Use of advertising for business operations, such as recruiting for open positions
- Clinicians who have adopted VITLAccess are using it: results as of March 25, 2015:
 - 684 users at 45 healthcare locations
 - 38,840 queries on 7,040 patients: average at least 5.5 data points per patient
 - To date patient's consenting to allow their providers to access VITLAccess: 96%



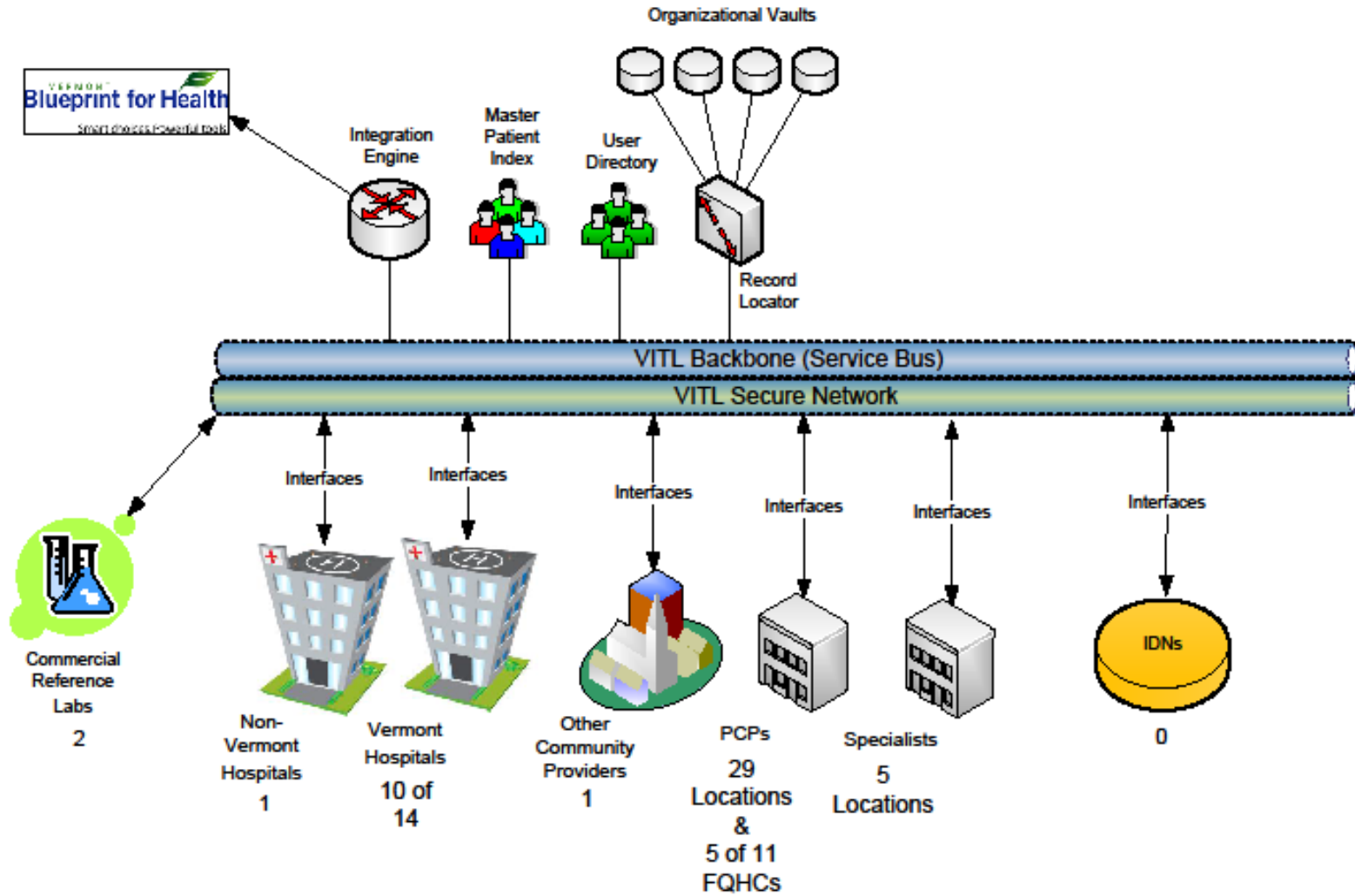
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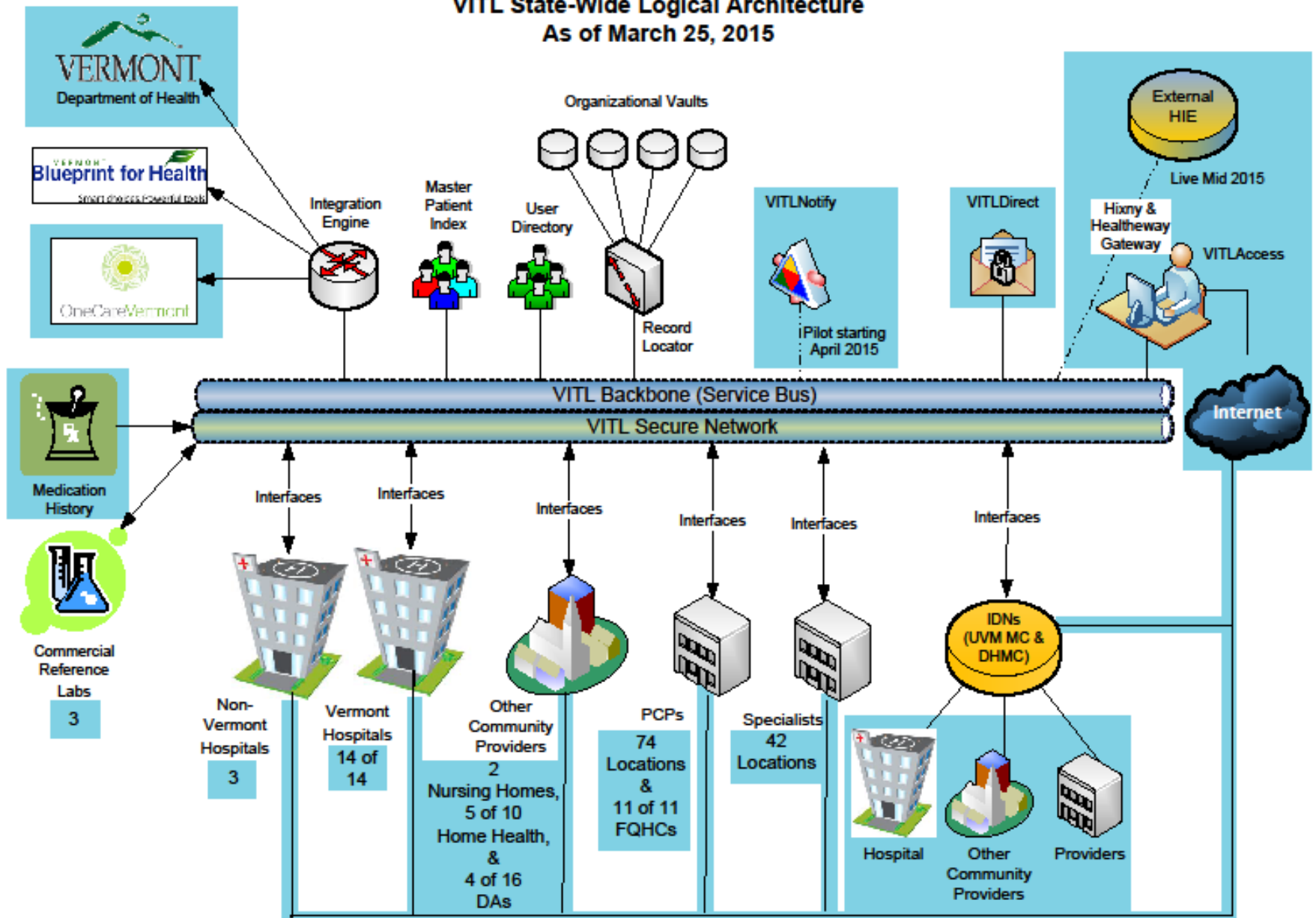
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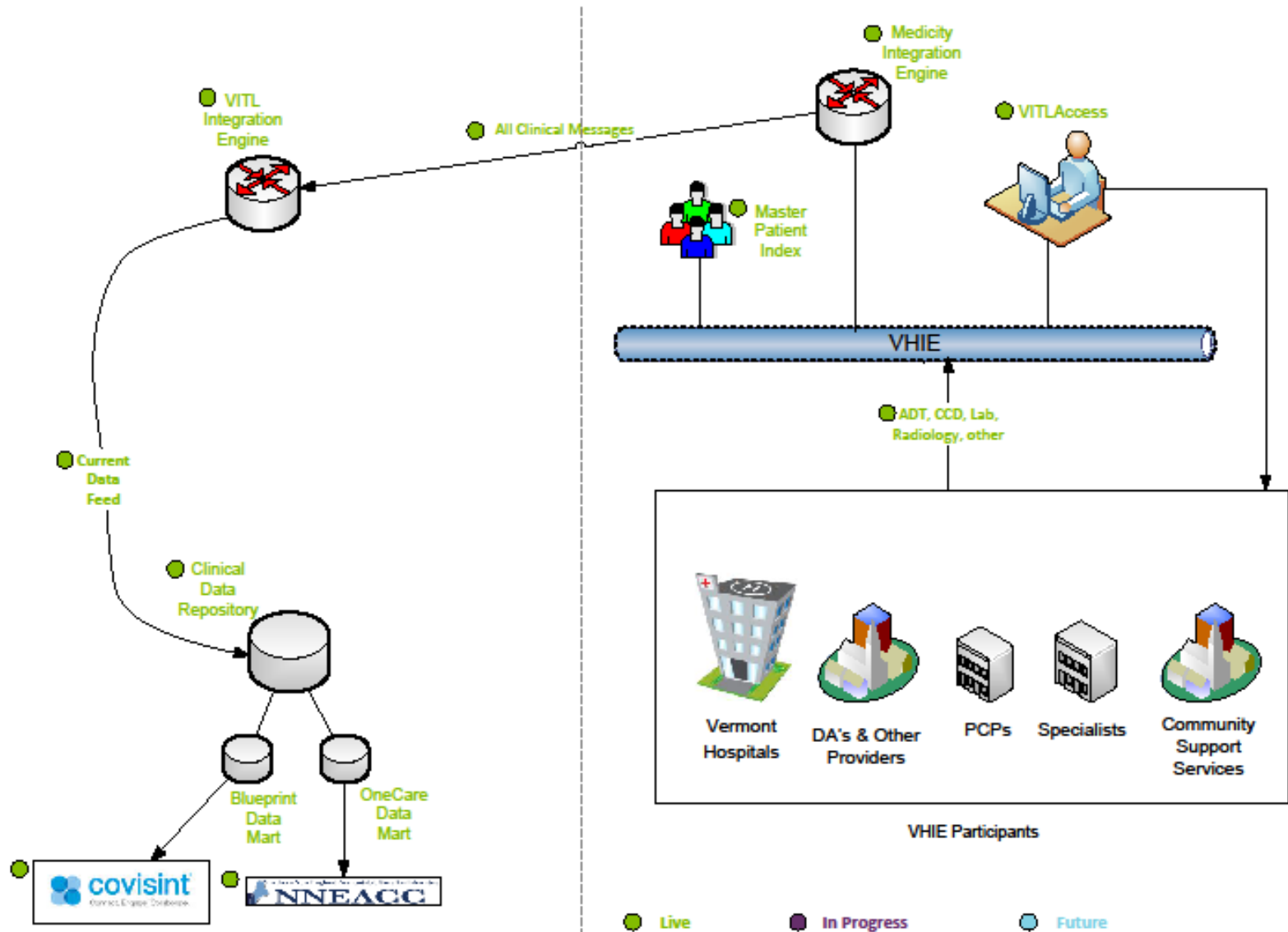
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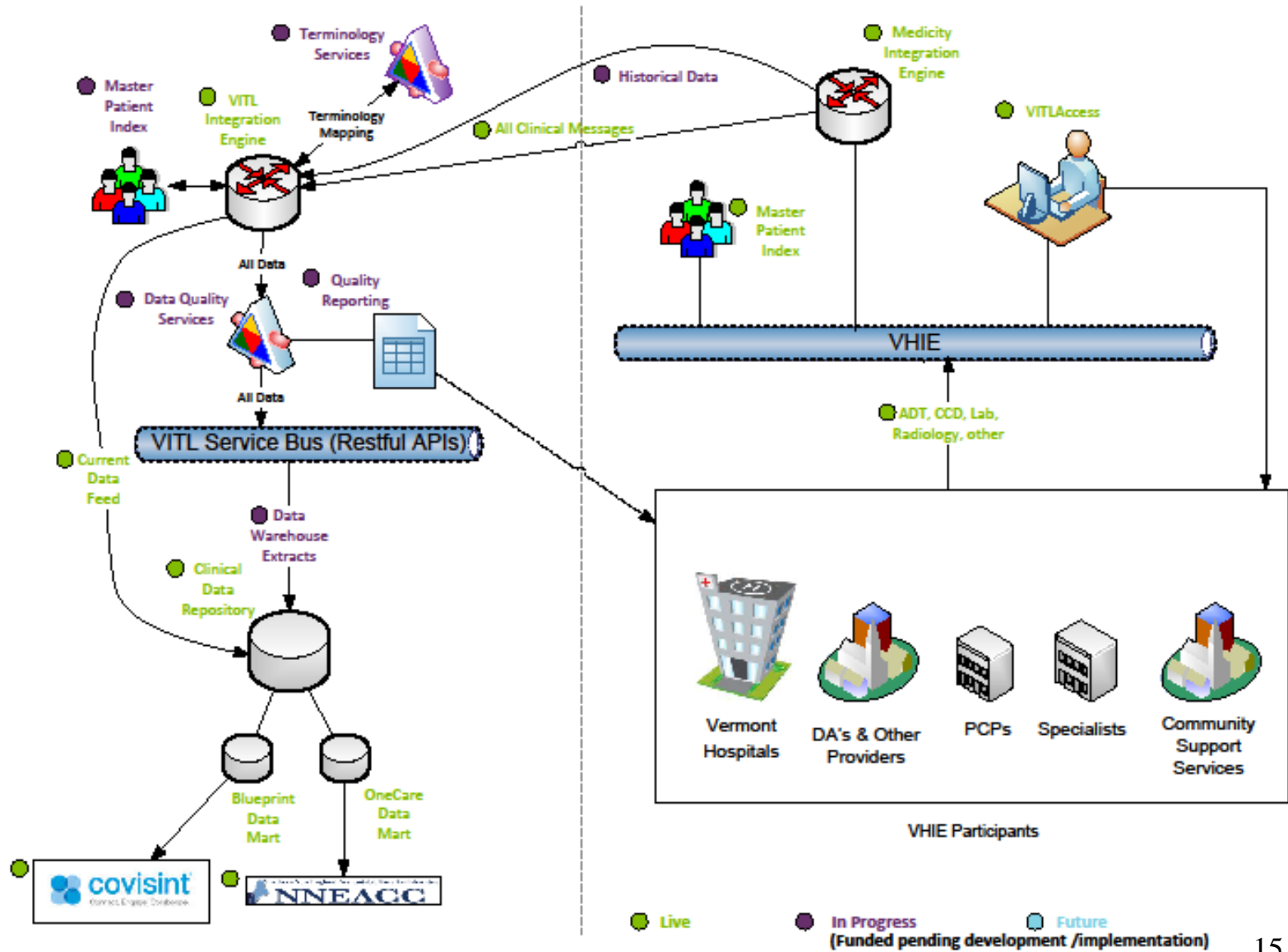
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VITL Proposed Clinical Data Management Infrastructure Currently Live



VITL Proposed Clinical Data Management Infrastructure In Progress



VITL Proposed Clinical Data Management Infrastructure Future

