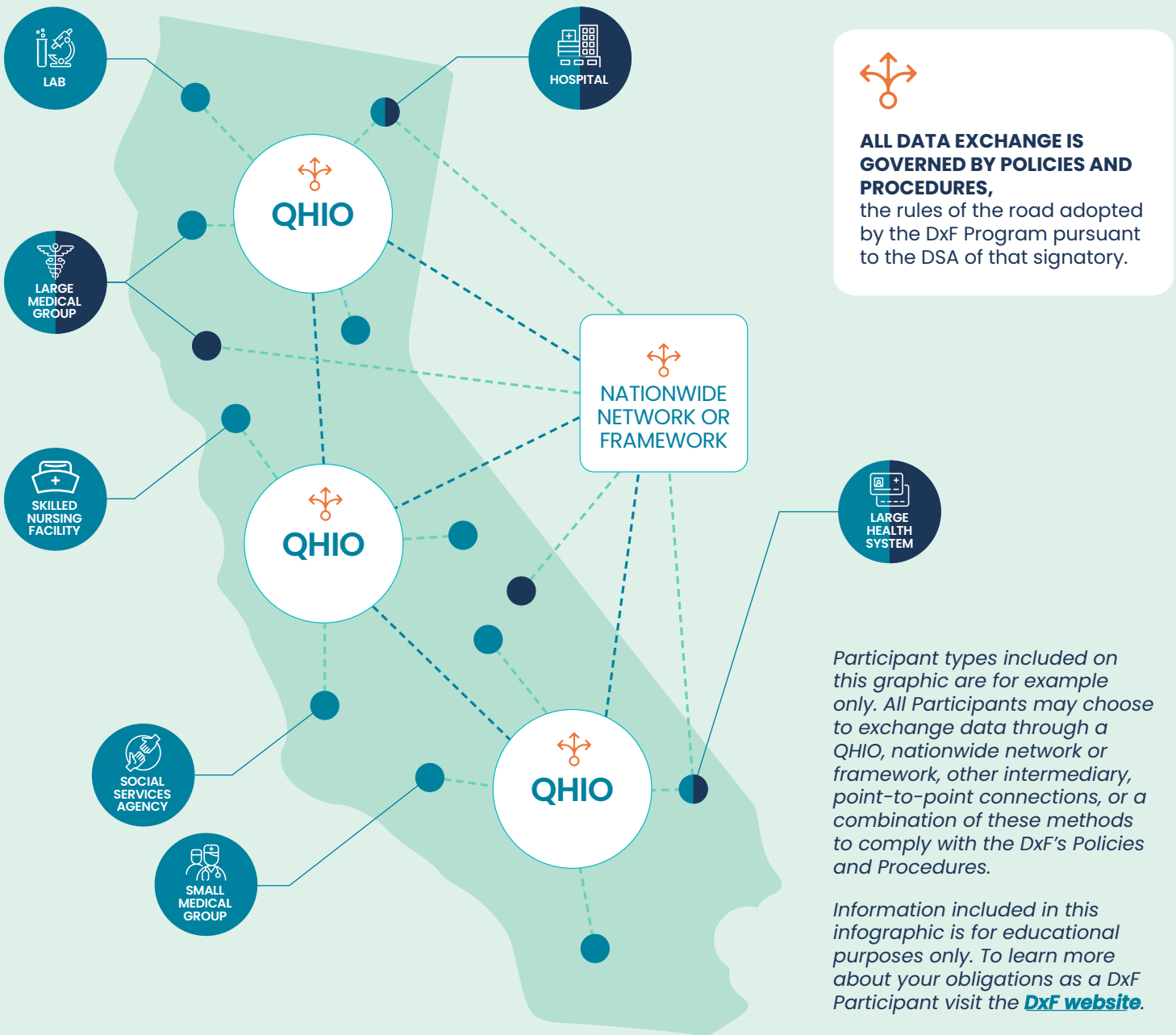




The Data Exchange Framework

What are Qualified Health Information Organizations (QHIOs)?

A Qualified Health Information Organization (QHIO) is a DxF designated intermediary that meets the requirements for secure data exchange and other criteria. These intermediaries offer services and functions to support the sharing of health and social services information. DxF Participants may choose to use a QHIO or another intermediary to meet some or all of their Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) requirements for secure data exchange.



LEGEND



QUALIFIED HEALTH INFORMATION ORGANIZATION

A DxF designated Intermediary that facilitates the secure exchange of health and social services information between Participants.






NATIONWIDE NETWORK OR FRAMEWORK

Any vendor-agnostic health information network or health information exchange framework with nationwide scope, including coverage in California, available to some or all Participants for the exchange of health and social services information that may or may not have signed the DSA.



PARTICIPANT

An organization that is a signatory to the DSA, including any identified subordinate entities of that Signatory.

-  **DxF PARTICIPANT USING A NATIONWIDE NETWORK OR FRAMEWORK**
-  **DxF PARTICIPANT USING A QHIO**
-  **DxF PARTICIPANT USING A COMBINATION OF INTERMEDIARIES**

For more information please refer to the [Technical Requirements for Exchange Policy and Procedure](#).