

Accurate and Trusted Data— The Foundation for EHR Programs

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National EHRs Trigger HC Transformations

Accurate patient & provider identification & matching is the foundation

Electronic Health Record (EHR)



Essential IT Functions: One Patient...One Record

Essential IT Functions:

- ✓ Identification - Patient, Provider and Facility
- ✓ Security - Role-based access, authentication of users, policies to govern patient consent for data sharing
- ✓ Message Transfer - Message routing, standards for message and document formats
- ✓ Information Standards - Standards for clinical terminology
- ✓ The Shared Health Record - Content for patient summary, location where it resides
- ✓ Support for External Information Requests

Supporting IT Infrastructure:

- ✓ Secure network with volume and speed capability
- ✓ Data centers, help desks, patient call centers
- ✓ Acute care patient record systems exchanging data with EHR
- ✓ Primary care patient record systems exchanging data with EHR
- ✓ Other clinical applications exchanging data with EHR

Electronic Health Record (EHR)

Source: Gartner Industry Research. Electronic Health Records: Essential IT Functions and Supporting Infrastructure. January 2007.

Fragmented Data = Incomplete Care & Wasted Effort

Clinicians Don't Have Access to Complete Information

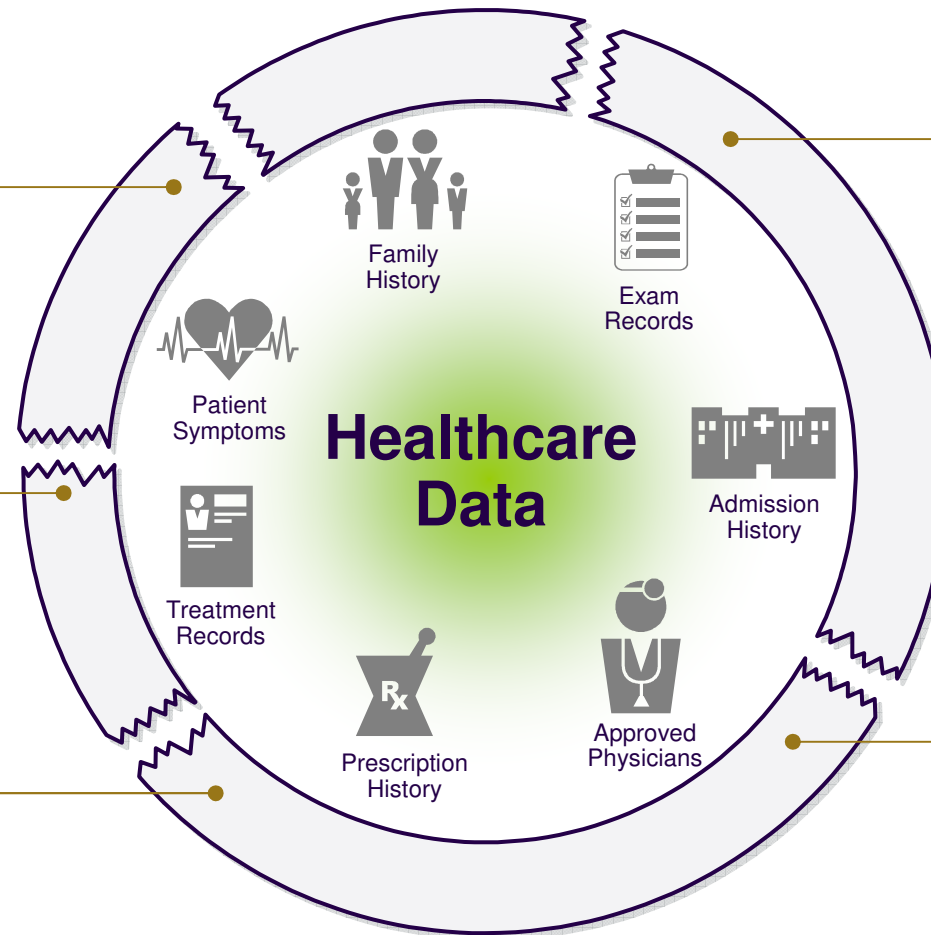
...check multiple systems for information

Costs Continue to Increase

...new projects create new data silos, do not achieve goals

Limited Data Sharing Across Boundaries

...cannot leverage patient or provider registries



Lack of Trust in Data by End Users

...unreliable data quality increases duplicate tests and records; impacts adoption of systems

Providers Are Not Recognized Consistently

...cannot notify in a timely, consistent manner or verify current credentials

A Single View of the Patient is the First Step to Complete, Accurate and Trusted Data

Strategic Business Risks in eHealth Programs

- ⌚ Major investments being made in National EHR programs to enable industry transformations
- ⌚ IT risks in ehealth are a strategic business risk
 - ⌚ Consequences affect entire organizations
 - ⌚ IT failure can have immediate and deadly consequences
 - ⌚ Risk awareness helps all understand threats and mitigation opportunities
- ⌚ Intuitive approach to IT risk management is ineffective
- ⌚ Effective risk management creates business value
 - ⌚ Focus on productive activities and free up resources
 - ⌚ Foundation is better structured and less costly
 - ⌚ Positions for business agility in the future

Aligning Around IT Risk



Typical Gaps and Business Risks

Consolidation of IT services and delivery of national EHR is an ideal time to rethink system-wide business needs.

National EHR success depends on 1 trusted source of truth for patient, for provider and for facility identification specific to HC.

1. ID systems provide limited functionality and performance for accurate identification of patients **in a clinical environment**. No provision for provider or facility identification in real-time.
2. Resistance to change; **identification not previously seen from a system-wide view**.
3. Unique identifiers unable to immediately link and match appropriately identified records anywhere in the distributed system.
4. High potential for pharmacy fraud with no electronic identification/linking of patient or dispensing in real-time.

Identification Principles: Ecosystem perspective

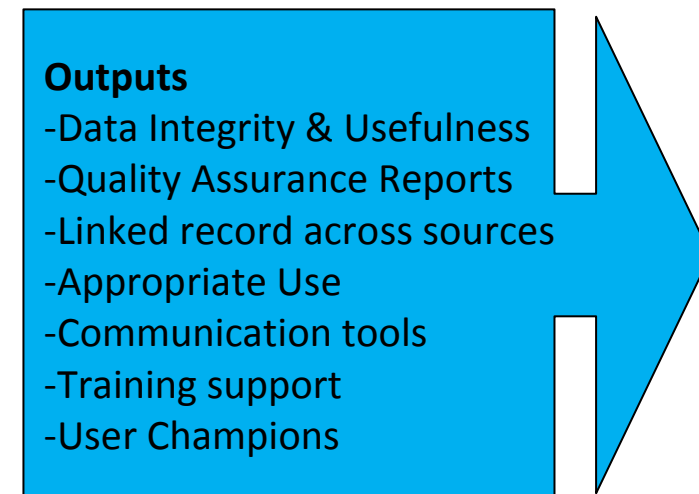
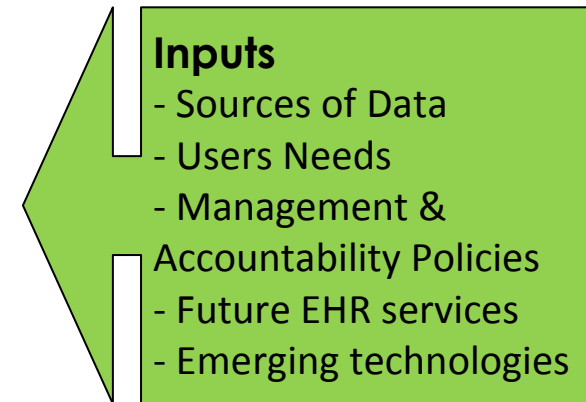
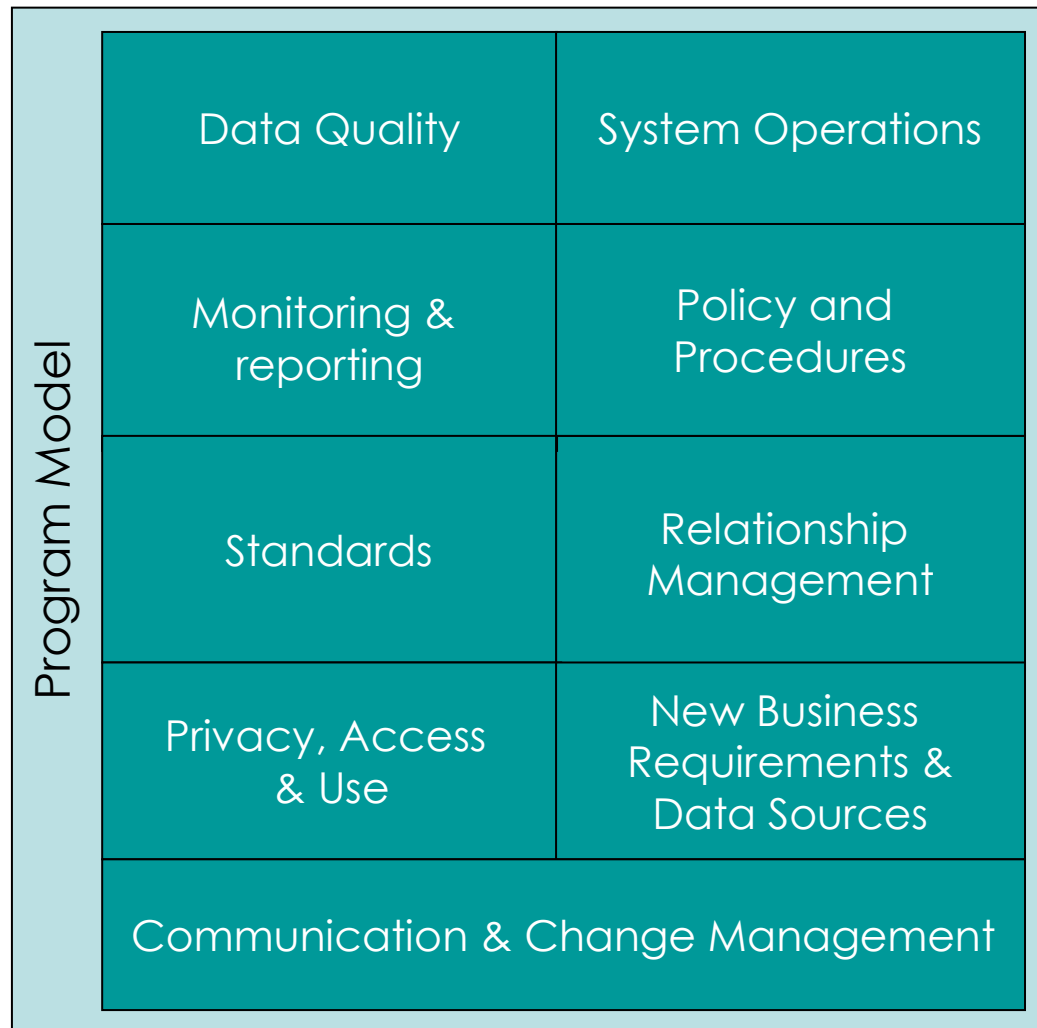
- ⌚ **Business Driven Decisions**
 - ⌚ our business is patient care!
- ⌚ **Standards-based**
 - ⌚ existing and emerging
- ⌚ **Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS)**
 - ⌚ already deployed; perform to future expectations
- ⌚ **Cost Effective**
 - ⌚ including total cost of ownership
- ⌚ **Ease of Adoption**
- ⌚ **Ease of Use**
 - ⌚ accuracy and immediacy for clinical end-use
- ⌚ **Leverage Off Systems in Place**
- ⌚ **Future Proof**

Example: Program for Core EHR Management

Critical Success Factors:

- ④ Combined business, clinical and technical leadership
- ④ Defined accountability, governance framework & decision processes
- ④ Necessary Program components are evolving:
 1. Data quality management, tools & reports
 2. Standards, policies & procedures
 3. Privacy, security & use
 4. System Operations
 5. Relationships with sources, vendors & users
 6. Future business requirements & data sources
 7. Communication & change management

Example: Functions for Core EHR Program



Source: E. Reichert, Program Delivery of Client Registry, Province of Saskatchewan, Canada.

Model for Functions, Inputs & Outputs

Global Insight.

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eHealth Programs Enable HC Transformation

