WHAT IS HIE?

Health Information Exchange (HIE) is a critical part of health care reform. The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) was charged to coordinate nationwide use of standards-based technology to share health information electronically and securely over the internet. HIE allows health care professionals and consumers to access and securely share your vital medical information electronically.

HIE MEANS MORE EFFICIENT, AND MORE COORDINATED, HEALTH CARE.

5 QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR TODAY!

Do you keep my health records electronically?

Can your office staff transfer my health record information electronically to other professionals?

Can your office staff transfer my health record information electronically to my own Personal Health Record (PHR)?

Do you participate in an HIE network? If so, which one?

What procedures do you follow to keep my health information private and secure?

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HIE allows your health care providers to use technology to safely share and access your health information quickly, when you need it the most. Primary care providers, specialists, and emergency department clinicians can work in sync to treat your urgent medical needs.

HOW DOES HIE IMPROVE CARE COORDINATION?

HOW CAN I BETTER MANAGE HEALTH RECORDS FOR MYSELF AND MY FAMILY?

You can set up an electronic Personal Health Record (PHR) to keep track of the health information for you and your family. A PHR allows you to partner with your providers to manage your own health. Talk to your doctor today about what options are available to you now!

WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO MY INFORMATION?

Your health information will be accessible to you, the providers who are treating you, your health plan for purposes of payment, public health professionals for certain diseases monitored by public health, and anyone you designate.

WHY IS CARE COORDINATION IMPORTANT TO ME?

If you have ever changed doctors, seen a specialist, visited an urgent care clinic, or checked into a hospital, your records are likely sitting in these locations on a shelf, on paper. When your health information is shared electronically, your doctors are able to get a more complete picture of your health and coordinate their activities to make quicker and more informed decisions about how to treat you.

MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION EQUALS BETTER HEALTH.