

Provider Impressions and Patient Demographics of Electronic Health Information Exchange (EHIE) Use

ABSTRACT

As medical institutions evolve from paper to electronic medical records, the way health information is exchanged is also going through its transformation. Most institutions are still using a paper/fax method of exchanging medical information between medical providers but there are some who have transitioned to electronic health information exchange (EHIE). While Veteran Affairs Medical Centers have had capability to view remote data since 2002 within its network, there are solutions which are currently becoming available which allow exchange between different hospital networks. Epic's Care Everywhere is one solution which allows willing institutions to electronically share limited medical information. MetroHealth Medical Center started using this feature in Nov, 2010 within the ED and opened it up to the whole hospital in January 2011. I will be sharing the provider impressions as well as the patient demographics during the first five months of use.