

README.md

EHR Integration Dashboard — Final Deliverable

****Project:**** EHR CRUD Dashboard (DrChrono integration — starter implementation)

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This archive contains:

- Implementation_Guide.md — detailed architecture, auth flows, state and error handling, HIPAA notes
- API_Discovery.md — endpoints used, sample requests/responses, capabilities & limitations
- postman_collection.json — example Postman collection (auth, patients, appointments)
- nextjs_starter/ — minimal Next.js + TypeScript starter scaffold (API proxy, types, hooks)
- tests/ — example unit test for token refresh logic
- .env.example — environment variables required
- email_template.txt — ready-to-send email with a link to this ZIP

How to use:

1. Download and unzip this archive.
2. Fill `.env` variables from `.env.example`.
3. Run `npm install` inside `nextjs_starter` and `npm run dev` to start the dev server.
4. Use the Postman collection to exercise the API calls (or import into Postman).

Notes:

- No production credentials are included. Replace placeholders in `.env` with your DrChrono/Epic test app credentials.
- This deliverable is a starter scaffold plus full documentation for your assignment submission.

Implementation_Guide.md

Implementation Guide — EHR Integration Dashboard

Overview

This document explains how the integration works, architecture decisions, authentication, state management, error handling, and deployment recommendations for the EHR CRUD Dashboard assignment.

****Chosen EHR:**** DrChrono (REST API). The deliverable can be adapted to Epic (SMART-on-FHIR) by replacing the client flow with SMART launch and FHIR resources.

Architecture

- ****Frontend:**** Next.js (TypeScript). Pages for Patients, Appointments, Clinical, Billing, Settings.
- ****Server / Integration layer:**** Next.js API routes used as a secure proxy to call DrChrono APIs. Keeps client secrets server-side.
- ****Optional DB:**** PostgreSQL for token storage (encrypted), audit logs, app users & RBAC.
- ****Auth:**** OAuth2 Authorization Code (server-side). Access tokens + refresh tokens stored encrypted server-side.

Sequence (simplified):

1. User clicks "Connect EHR" -> redirects to DrChrono OAuth authorize URL.
2. DrChrono redirects back to `/api/auth/callback?code=...`.
3. Server exchanges `code` for access + refresh token; stores tokens encrypted.
4. Frontend calls Next.js API routes; server attaches `Authorization: Bearer <access_token>` when calling DrChrono.

Key Implementation Details

OAuth & Token Management

- Use Authorization Code flow with server-side exchange.
- Store tokens encrypted at rest (e.g., KMS or DB field encryption).
- Implement token refresh endpoint and proactively refresh before expiry.
- Do not expose client_secret on the frontend.

Proxy Pattern (Security)

- All calls to EHR should go through server-side proxy API routes.
- Proxy enforces RBAC, records audit logs, and sanitizes responses to remove any accidental logs of PHI.

State Management

- ****React Query (TanStack)**** for server state (patients, appointments).
- ****React Context + useReducer**** for session, user roles, and app-level settings.
- Keep PHI out of localStorage; use HttpOnly cookies for session tokens.

Error Handling Strategy

- Standardize error response format: `{ code, message, details? }`.
- For upstream 401: attempt token refresh once; if refresh fails, require re-auth.
- For rate-limits (429): exponential backoff with jitter; surface friendly UI message.
- Log server-side errors with correlation IDs for tracing.

Performance Optimizations

- Use pagination and server-side filtering for patient lists.
- Cache common responses with React Query; use `stale-while-revalidate` patterns.
- Use bulk export endpoints for large reports.

Audit & Compliance

- Record user id, action type (READ/WRITE/DELETE), target resource id, timestamp, and client IP.
- Keep audit logs immutable if possible and retain according to org policy.
- Enforce TLS, encrypt tokens & backups, and implement RBAC with least privilege.

Development & Deployment

- Use Vercel for Next.js hosting (automatic HTTPS).
- Store secrets in Vercel Environment Variables or a secrets manager.
- CI pipeline: run tests, lint, build; deploy to preview environment.

Files of interest in this package

- `nextjs_starter/pages/api/auth.ts` — OAuth skeleton
- `nextjs_starter/pages/api/proxy/[...path].ts` — Proxy skeleton
- `API_Discovery.md` — endpoint list used for the assignment
- `postman_collection.json` — importable into Postman

Known limitations & notes

- Some lab write endpoints or billing features may require DrChrono enablement; contact DrChrono support for vendor-specific access.
- Epic integration requires implementing SMART-on-FHIR and adapting resource models to FHIR R4.

API_Discovery.md

API Discovery — DrChrono (selected endpoints)

This document lists the endpoints used for the CRUD dashboard demo along with sample requests/responses and notes.

Patient Management

- **GET** <https://drchrono.com/api/patients>
 - Query params: `first_name`, `last_name`, `page`, `limit`, `search`
 - Sample response (trimmed):


```
```json
{
 "meta": { "next": null },
 "results": [
 {
 "id": 12345,
 "first_name": "John",
 "last_name": "Doe",
 "date_of_birth": "1980-02-14",
 "phone_number": "555-1234",
 "email": "john@example.com",
 "medical_record_number": "MR-001"
 }
]
}
```

```
}
]
}...
```

- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/patients/{id}` — retrieve patient details
- `PUT https://drchrono.com/api/patients/{id}` — update demographics/contact (payload: only updatable fields)
- `POST https://drchrono.com/api/patients` — create new patient (depends on account permissions)

### ## Appointments

- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/appointments`
  - Params: `date`, `doctor`, `patient`, `page`
- `POST https://drchrono.com/api/appointments` — create (requires provider id, patient id, start time)
- `PUT https://drchrono.com/api/appointments/{id}` — reschedule or update
- `DELETE https://drchrono.com/api/appointments/{id}` — cancel

### ## Clinical

- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/notes?patient={patient\_id}` — fetch notes
- `POST https://drchrono.com/api/notes` — add clinical note
- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/lab\_results?patient={id}` — lab results (read)

### ## Billing & Admin

- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/transactions?patient={id}` — payments / balances
- `GET https://drchrono.com/api/eligibility?patient={id}` — insurance eligibility (if available)

### ## Common patterns & headers

- Authorization: `Bearer <access\_token>`
- Content-Type: `application/json`

### ## Limitations & Notes

- Pagination: many endpoints use paginated results with `next` links.
- Rate limits: handle 429 with backoff.
- Some write operations (labs, billing) may require additional account privileges.

# email\_template.txt

Subject: EHR Integration Dashboard — Submission

Hi [Recipient Name],

Please find attached the final deliverable for the EHR Integration Dashboard assignment.  
I have included:

- A Next.js TypeScript starter scaffold (server-side proxy + client hooks)
- Implementation guide and API discovery document
- Postman collection and example unit tests

Download the ZIP here: [ATTACH ZIP OR INSERT LINK]

### Notes:

- Replace placeholders in `.env.example` with your DrChrono/Epic credentials.
- The project uses a proxy pattern—serverless API routes attach access tokens securely.

Thanks,  
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