**BARRIERS TO ADOPTION OF HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

* High cost of software development, deployment, maintenance and improvement.
* Lack of IT friendly medical personnel.
* Difficulty in migrating from manual processes (paper work), because most staff and patients are used to the manual processes and so are unable to speedily cope with the new system.
* The fear that using EMRs may threaten confidentiality of health Information for e.g. may lead to information loss, corruption or hacking. Therefore paper work is sometimes considered more reliable.
* Lack of awareness of the importance and benefits of using Hospital Management Systems.
* Lack of infrastructure
* Lack of policies/ procedures that govern EMRs on both hospital and national level.
* Lack of motivation to learn and train on using Hospital Management Systems.