

# Introduction to Health (Clinical) Informatics

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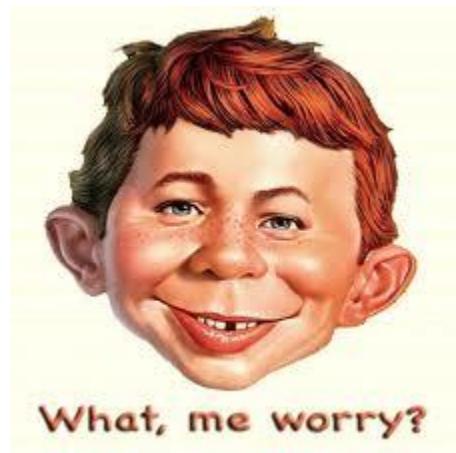
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## US Healthcare

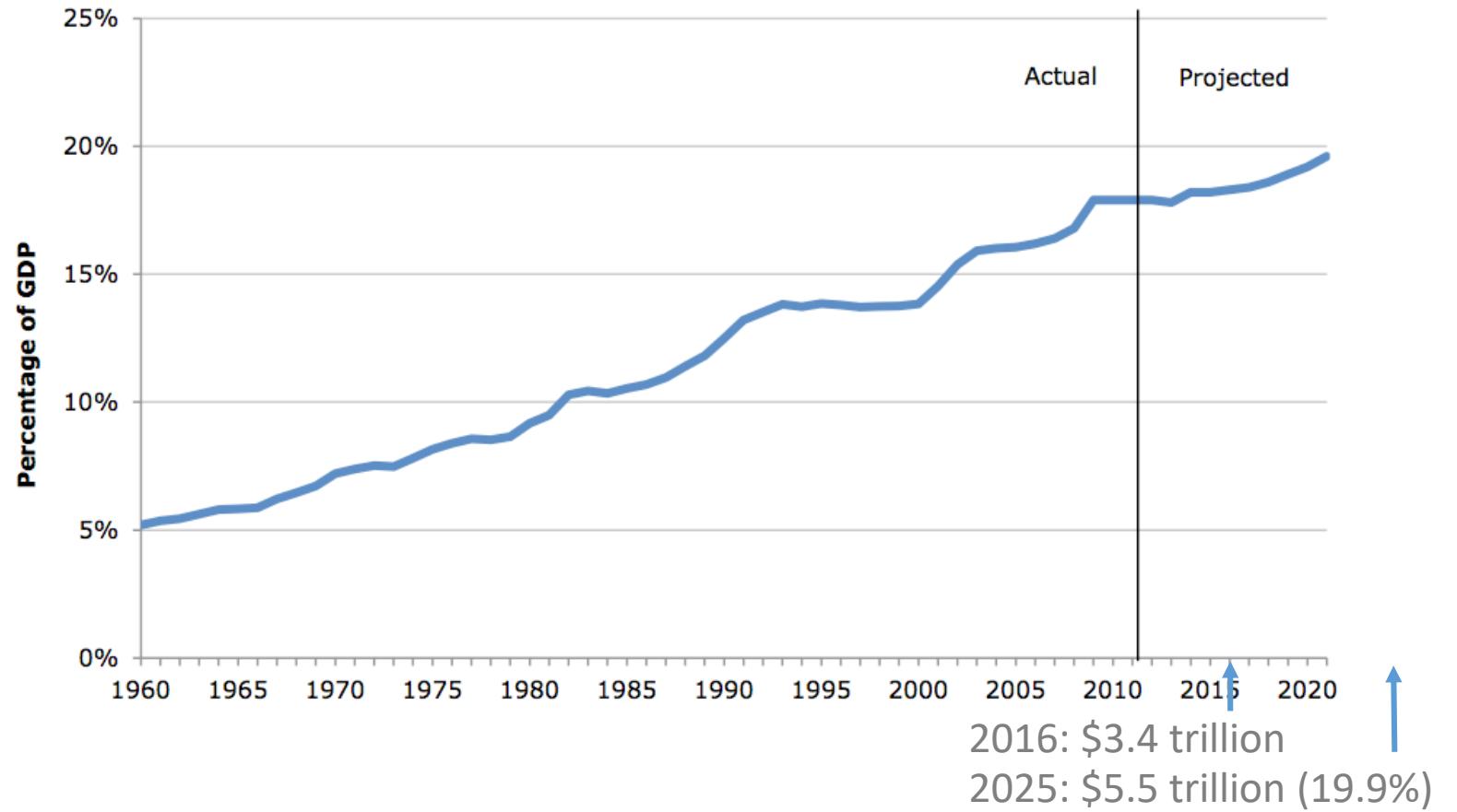
Brief History of Informatics

Early History of Interoperability Standards

Exciting Times



# US Healthcare Approaching 20% of GDP



# The Growing Burden of Chronic Disease in America

In 2000, approximately 125 million Americans (45% of the population) had chronic conditions and 61 million (21% of the population) had multiple chronic conditions. The number of people with chronic conditions is projected to increase steadily for the next 30 years. **While current health care financing and delivery systems are designed primarily to treat acute conditions, 78% of health spending is devoted to people with chronic conditions.** Quality medical care for people with chronic conditions requires a new orientation toward prevention of chronic disease and provision of ongoing care and care management to maintain their health status and functioning. Specific focus should be applied to people with multiple chronic conditions.

# US Healthcare Poor at Managing Chronic Diseases ...

The AAFP reported in 2011 that “as primary care physicians, we spend the majority of our time caring for patients with chronic diseases, but data suggest we achieve the standard of care for chronic diseases and preventive care only 50 percent to 60 percent of the time”.\*

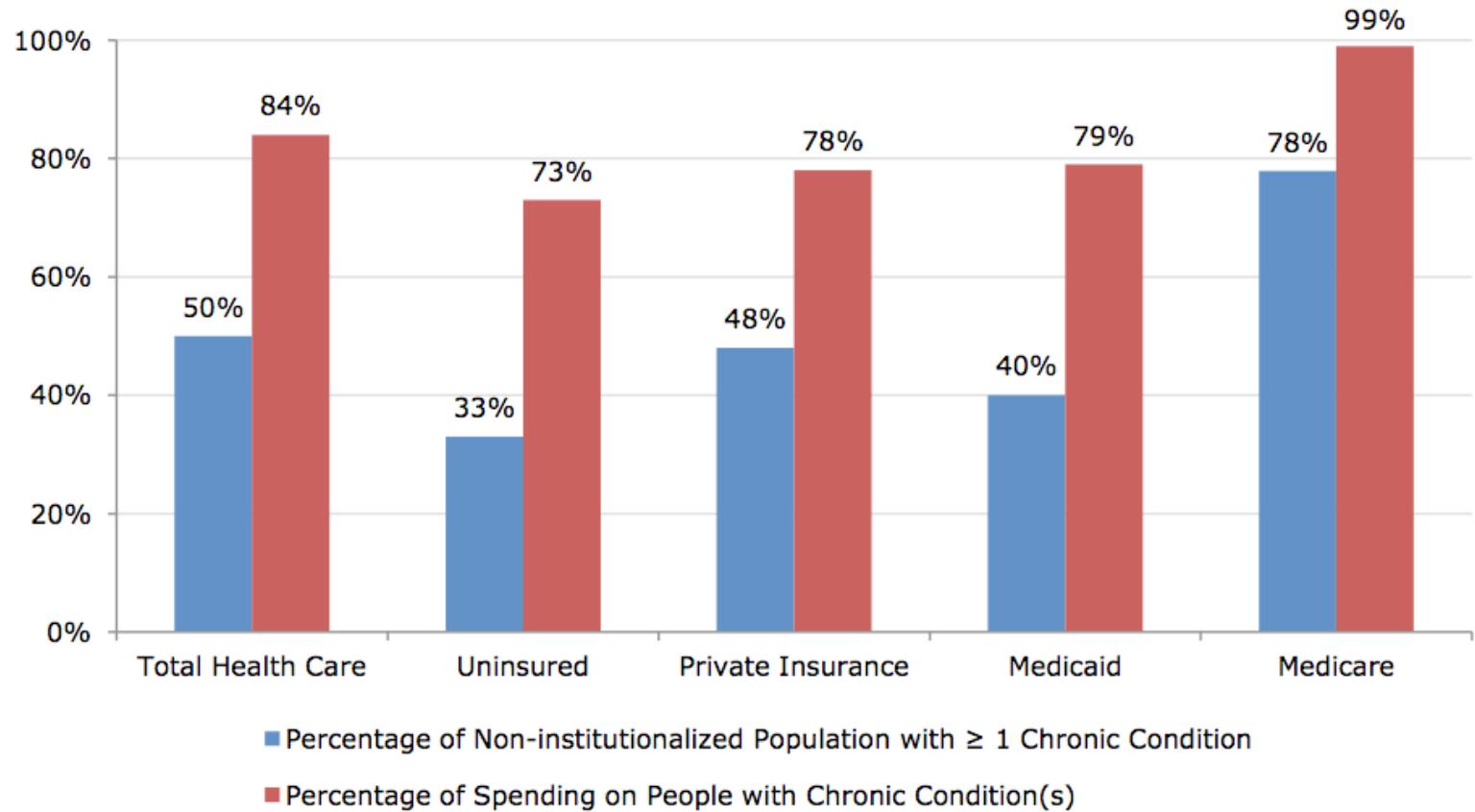
The Assessing Care of Vulnerable Elders (ACOVE) study published by RAND and Pfizer in 2004 concluded “vulnerable elders receive about half of the recommended care, and the quality of care varies widely from one condition and type of care to another”.\*

\* <http://www.aafp.org/fpm/2011/0500/p27.html>

\*\* [http://www.rand.org/content/dam/rand/pubs/research\\_briefs/2005/RB9051.pdf](http://www.rand.org/content/dam/rand/pubs/research_briefs/2005/RB9051.pdf)

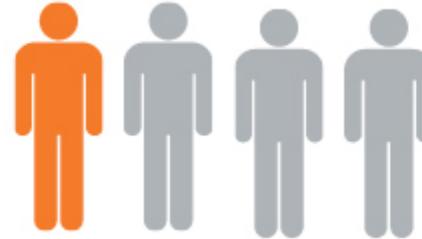
# US Healthcare

## ... That Account for Most Costs



# US Healthcare Suboptimal Cancer Care

**1 in 4** cancer patients have treatment plans that do not conform to evidence-based cancer care



Inappropriate deviations from the standards of care for cancer cost more than **\$25,000 per patient**

*<https://www.optum.com/thought-leadership/cancer-cost-drivers.html>*

# US Healthcare Unsafe

“Three recent reports on deaths due to medical error in US hospitals have estimated the figure to be greater than 200,000 deaths per year”



# US Healthcare

## A Major Reason is Poor at Sharing Data

“An estimated 80 percent of serious medical errors involve miscommunication between caregivers when responsibility for patients is transferred or handed-off, according to the Joint Commission.”

--- *Health IT News 10/22/10*

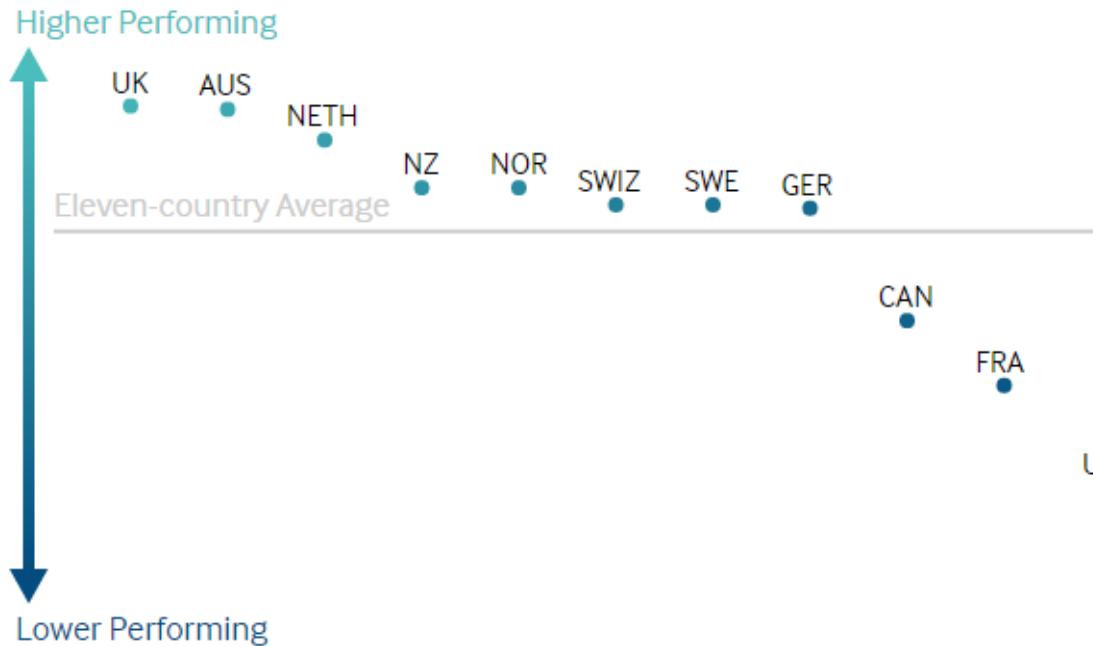


# US Healthcare Poor ROI

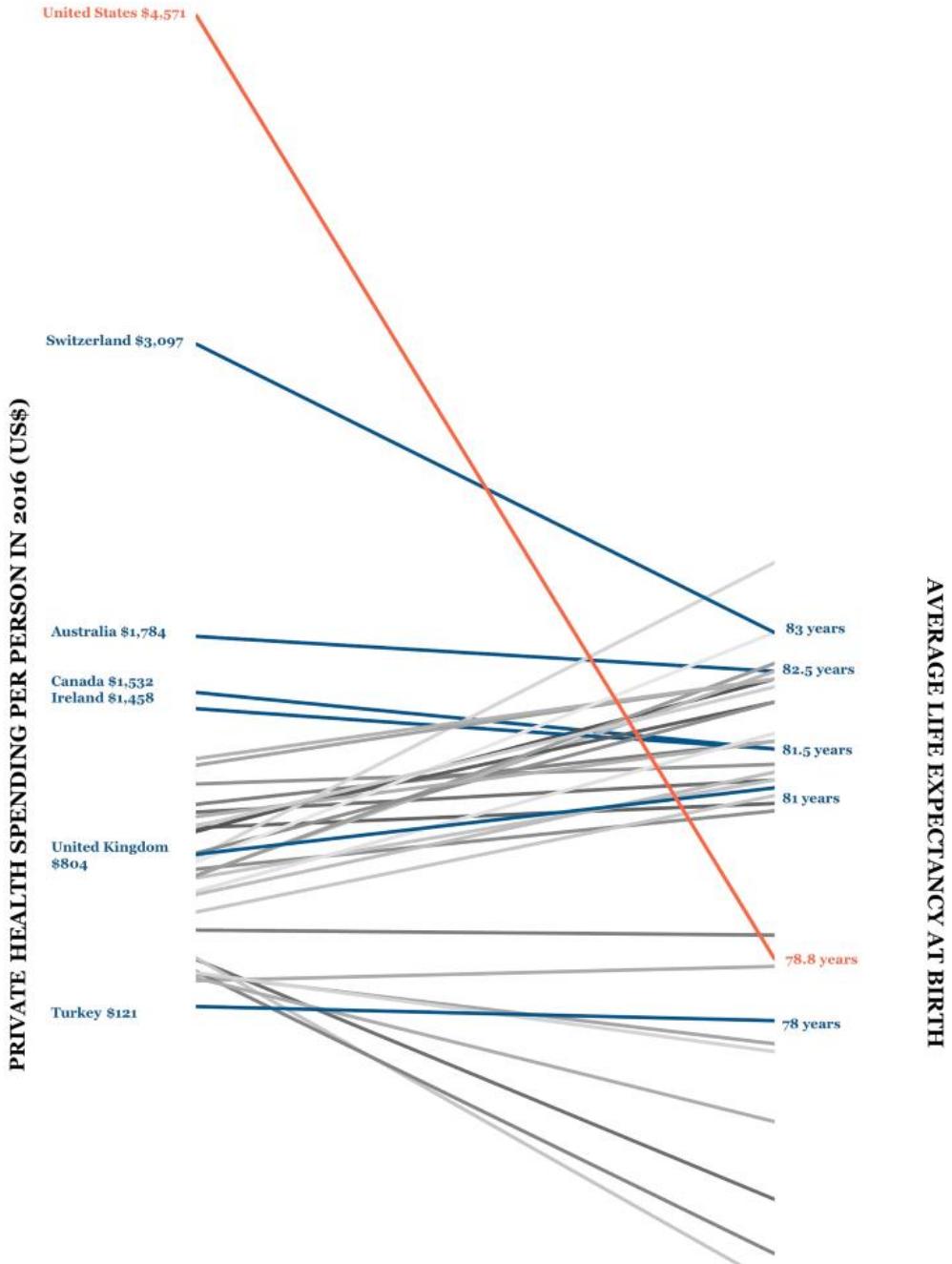
| COUNTRY RANKINGS                   |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                                    | AUS     | CAN     | FRA     | GER     | NETH    | NZ      | NOR     | SWE     | SWIZ    | UK      | US      |
| Overall Ranking (2013)             | 4       | 10      | 9       | 5       | 5       | 7       | 7       | 3       | 2       | 1       | 11      |
| Quality Care                       | 2       | 9       | 8       | 7       | 5       | 4       | 11      | 10      | 3       | 1       | 5       |
| Effective Care                     | 4       | 7       | 9       | 6       | 5       | 2       | 11      | 10      | 8       | 1       | 3       |
| Safe Care                          | 3       | 10      | 2       | 6       | 7       | 9       | 11      | 5       | 4       | 1       | 7       |
| Coordinated Care                   | 4       | 8       | 9       | 10      | 5       | 2       | 7       | 11      | 3       | 1       | 6       |
| Patient-Centered Care              | 5       | 8       | 10      | 7       | 3       | 6       | 11      | 9       | 2       | 1       | 4       |
| Access                             | 8       | 9       | 11      | 2       | 4       | 7       | 6       | 4       | 2       | 1       | 9       |
| Cost-Related Problem               | 9       | 5       | 10      | 4       | 8       | 6       | 3       | 1       | 7       | 1       | 11      |
| Timeliness of Care                 | 6       | 11      | 10      | 4       | 2       | 7       | 8       | 9       | 1       | 3       | 5       |
| Efficiency                         | 4       | 10      | 8       | 9       | 7       | 3       | 4       | 2       | 6       | 1       | 11      |
| Equity                             | 5       | 9       | 7       | 4       | 8       | 10      | 6       | 1       | 2       | 2       | 11      |
| Healthy Lives                      | 4       | 8       | 1       | 7       | 5       | 9       | 6       | 2       | 3       | 10      | 11      |
| Health Expenditures/Capita, 2011** | \$3,800 | \$4,522 | \$4,118 | \$4,495 | \$5,099 | \$3,182 | \$5,669 | \$3,925 | \$5,643 | \$3,405 | \$8,508 |

# The Bottom Line

Overall   Care Process   Access   Administrative Efficiency   Equity   Health Outcomes



<http://www.commonwealthfund.org/interactives/2017/july/mirror-mirror/>

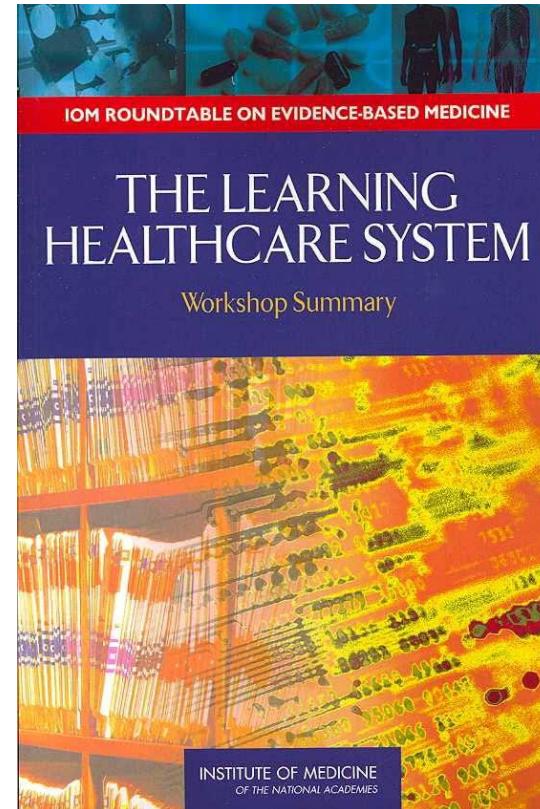


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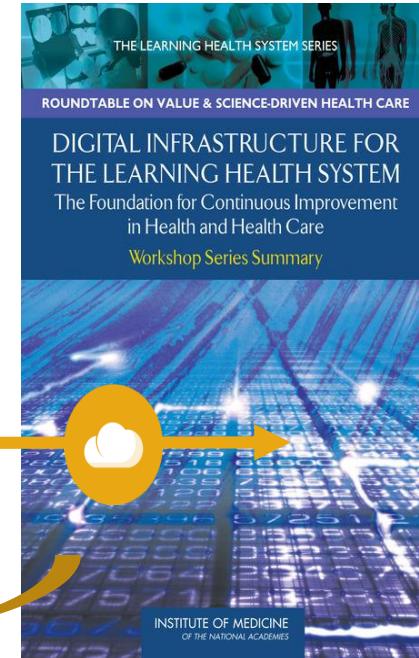
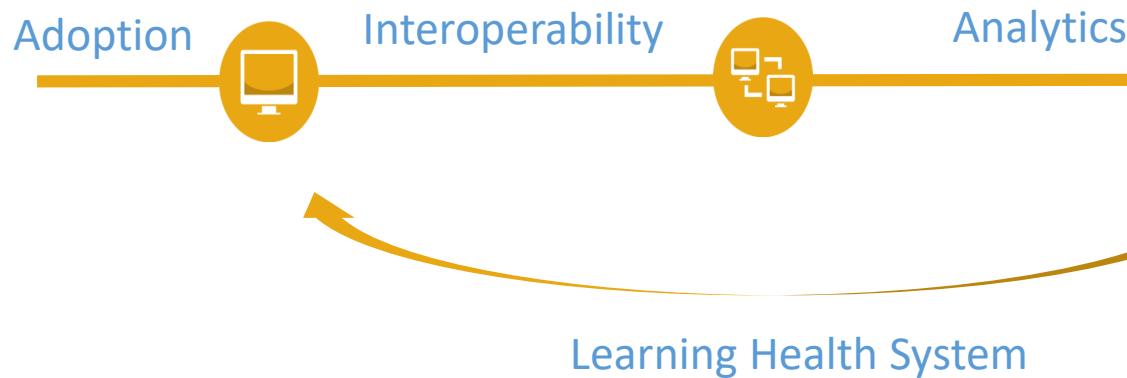
# IOM 2007: Learning Healthcare System

The IOM will consider the issues and urgent actions necessary to foster the development of a learning healthcare system designed to:

- generate and apply the best evidence for the collaborative healthcare choices of each patient and provider;
- drive the process of discovery as a natural outgrowth of patient care;
- ensure innovation, quality, safety, and value in health care.

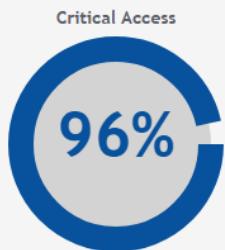
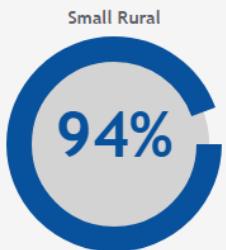
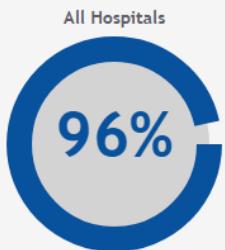


# 2011: An Informatics Perspective



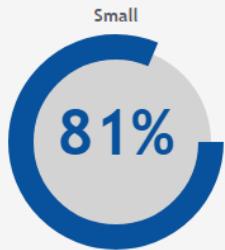
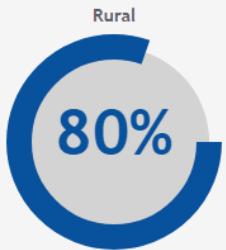
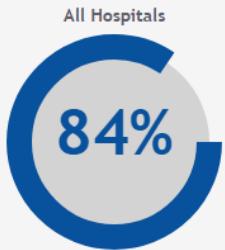
# Adoption Has Happened

Percent of U.S. Hospitals that Adopted *Certified* EHRs: 2015



**Note:** a *certified* EHR meets the technological capability, functionality, and security requirements adopted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. *Rural* hospitals are located in CBSA non-metropolitan areas, *small* hospitals are those with fewer than 100 beds, and *Critical Access* hospitals are rural hospitals with fewer than 25 beds and 35 miles away from any other general or Critical Access hospital.

Percent of U.S. Hospitals that Adopted *Basic* EHRs: 2015



**Note:** a *Basic* EHR is a system with these capabilities: patient demographics, physician notes, nursing assessments, patient problem lists, electronic lists of medications taken by patients, discharge summaries, advanced directives, orders for medications, viewing laboratory results, and viewing radiology results. *Rural* hospitals are located in CBSA non-metropolitan areas, and *small* hospitals are those with fewer than 100 beds.

# Interoperability is Now the Challenge

Data

Technology

Organizations

Economics

Public Policy

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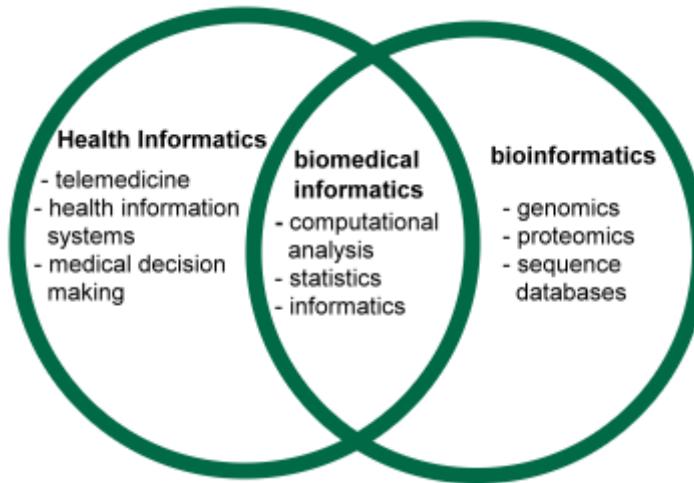
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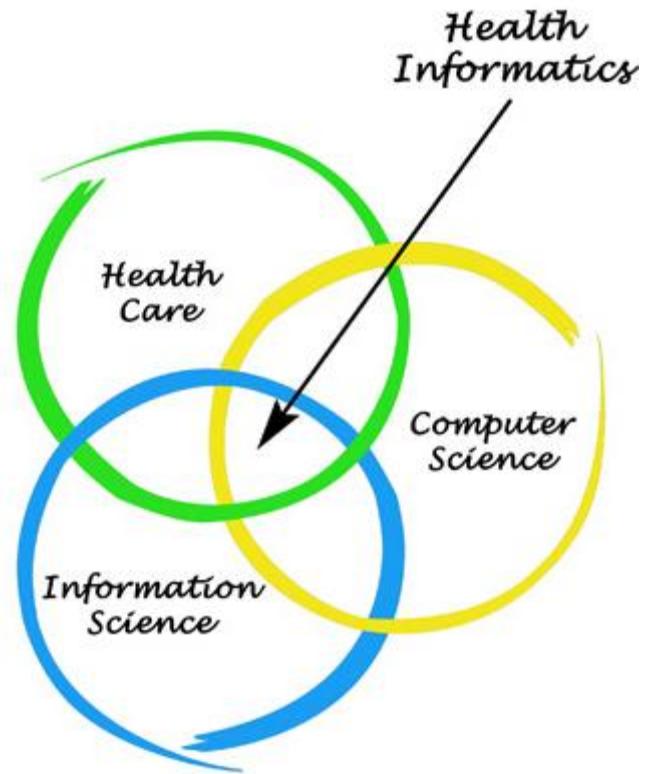
## **Brief History of Health Informatics**

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# Definition of Terms





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**Brief History of Health Informatics: EMR**

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1863

## Florence Nightingale

“In attempting to arrive at the truth, I have applied everywhere for information, but in **scarcely an instance have I been able to obtain hospital records fit for any purpose of comparison.** If they could be obtained...they would show subscribers how their money was being spent, what amount of good was really being done with it, or whether the money was not doing mischief rather than good...”



# Electronic Medical Records

## The Earliest Application of Computing



1962: Akron Children's Hospital/IBM

Centralize patient records

Share patient information  
Eliminate paperwork

Alert nurses when patients needed  
their medication.

# 1968: Larry Weed, MD

## *Medical Records That Guide and Teach*

THE beginning clinical clerk, the house officer and the practicing physician are all confronted with conditions that are frustrating in every phase of medical action. The purpose of this article is to identify and discuss these conditions and point out solutions. To deal effectively with these frustrations it will be necessary to develop a more organized approach to the medical record, a more rational acceptance and use of paramedical personnel and **a more positive attitude about the computer in medicine**. Eventually, for every physician all three areas will be an obligatory part of his professional environment if he is to . .

### PROBLEM LIST

#### ACTIVE PROBLEMS

- #1 Accelerated hypertension  
Retinopathy  
Renal Disease
- #2 Hypokalemia — etiology  
to be determined
- #3 Vomiting — dehydration  
(CVP — 0, Hct 40)
- #4 Diarrhea — unknown etiology
- #5 Anemia, 2° to renal disease  
(Problem #1) (Hct normally 30)
- #6
- #7
- #8 Exogenous obesity
- #9 (L.) Breast mass
- #10
- #11
- #12
- #13 Decreased vision (R) eye possible  
Central retinal artery occlusion
- #14 Cardiac (M), continuous.  
Never before described —> Chest  
wall flow murmur  
2° to Problem #9 (PN 12/4/67)

#### RESOLVED PROBLEMS

- Remote peptic ulcer disease  
Cholecystectomy
- Hx of chronic alcoholism  
Hx of GC rxed  
Personality disorder

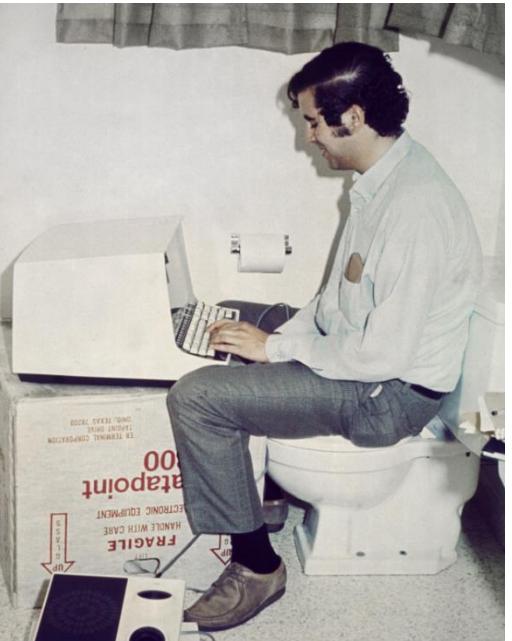
# 1971: Emory Medical Grand Rounds



<https://youtu.be/qMsPXSMTpFI>

# 1970: An Early Ambulatory “EHR”

Medicine  
Pharmacy  
Dentistry  
Social Work



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| PATIENT SUMMARY          |                             |   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 9/9/76<br>UNIT#:         | BRAUNSTEIN, MARK<br>AGE: 41 | PROBLEM LIST<br>PATIENT: DOE, JOHN<br>OPD #:                |
| ** PERMANENT PROBLEMS ** |                             |   |
| DATE OF DEF              | DATE OF RES                 | PROBLEM   |
| A 6/30/75                |                             | MEDICAL EXAM, NO DISEASE DETECTED<br>1 VISIT ICHPPC = Y00   |
| B 6/30/75                |                             | TOBACCO ABUSE<br>1 VISIT ICHPPC = 3049                      |
| C 6/30/75                |                             | EMPHYSEMA, BRONCHIECTASIS, & COPD<br>1 VISIT ICHPPC = 492   |
| ** TEMPORARY PROBLEMS ** |                             |   |
| DATE OF DEF              | DATE OF RES                 | PROBLEM   |
| 1 7/10/75<br>10/27/75    | 7/17/75                     | ACUTE UPPER RESPIR TRACT INFECTION<br>3 VISITS ICHPPC = 460 |

# Early “PopHealth” ...

JUN 28, 1976

DR. C'S PRACTICE

**\*\*DISTRIBUTION BY CENSUS TRACT\*\***

| TRACT | #PAT'S | TRACT | #PAT'S | TRACT | #PAT'S | TRACT | #PAT'S |
|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| 1     | 1      | 3     | 1      | 4     | 2      | 5     | 9      |
| 6     | 3      | 8     | 7      | 9     | 5      | 10    | 8      |
| 11    | 1      | 14    | 2      | 16    | 2      | 17    | 13     |
| 19    | 2      | 20    | 36     | 21    | 5      | 26    | 27     |
| 27    | 3      | 29    | 1      | 30    | 13     | 31    | 16     |
| 32    | 7      | 33    | 5      | 36    | 10     | 37    | 4      |
| 39    | 4      | 43    | 2      | 44    | 4      | 46    | 5      |
| 47    | 13     |       |        |       |        |       |        |

**\*\*DISTRIBUTION BY SEX AND AGE\*\***

| AGE GRP      | #FEM'S     | #MALES    | TOTAL      |
|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 0-9          | 19         | 16        | 35         |
| 10-19        | 32         | 27        | 59         |
| 20-29        | 29         | 14        | 43         |
| 30-39        | 21         | 15        | 36         |
| 40-49        | 6          | 8         | 14         |
| 50-59        | 7          | 3         | 10         |
| 60-69        | 6          | 4         | 10         |
| 70-79        | 2          | 4         | 6          |
| 80-89        |            |           | 2          |
| 90-99        |            |           | 1          |
| 100-109      |            |           | 1          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>87</b> | <b>209</b> |

**\*\*DISTRIBUTION BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE\*\***

| SIZE         | # OF HOUSEHOLDS | # OF PEOPLE |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1            | 13              | 13          |
| 2            | 13              | 26          |
| 3            | 11              | 33          |
| 4            | 5               | 20          |
| 5            | 13              | 65          |
| 6            | 5               | 30          |
| 7            | 2               | 14          |
| 9            | 1               | 9           |
| 11           | 1               | 11          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>64</b>       | <b>221</b>  |

**\*\*DISTRIBUTION BY FAMILY INCOME(EST. BY CENSUS TRACT)\*\***

| INCOME | INCOME | INCOME  | INCOME  | INCOME |
|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| <4000  | 4K-5K  | 5K-6K   | 6K-7K   | 7K-8K  |
| 12     | 15     | 13      | 8       |        |
| INCOME | INCOME | INCOME  | INCOME  | INCOME |
| 8K-9K  | 9K-10K | 10K-11K | 11K-12K | >12K   |
| 52     | 34     | 38      | 40      |        |

7 PAT'S WITHOUT CENSUS TRACT

1 PAT'S WITHOUT SEX DATA

8 PAT'S WITHOUT BIRTHDATE

PRACT. ANALYSIS PART 2: PRACTICE MORTIDITY BY AGE/SEX AND DISEASE SYSTEM  
FOR DR C

SEPT. 13, 1976

| PROBLEM CLASS                           | PROBLEM    | AGE:   | 0-9 | 10-19 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-59 | 60-69 | 70-79 | 80-89 | 90-99 | TOTAL |
|---|------------|--------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| INFECTIVE AND PARASITIC DISEASES        | CHICKENPOX | MALE   | 1   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1     |
|   |            | FEMALE |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| DERMATOPHYTOSIS & DERMATOMYCOSIS        | MALE       | 1      |     | 1/1   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2/1   |
|   | FEMALE     |        | 1/1 | 1     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4/1   |
| PRESUMED INFECTIOUS INTESTINAL DISEASES | MALE       | 1      | 1   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2     |
|   | FEMALE     | 2/1    |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4/1   |
| HERPES ZOSTER                           | MALE       | 1      |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1     |
|   | FEMALE     | 1/1    |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2/1   |
| OXYURIASIS, PINWORMS, HELMINTH NEC      | MALE       |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|   | FEMALE     | 2      | 1   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 3     |
| SCABIES & OTHER ACARIASIS               | MALE       |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|   | FEMALE     |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1     |
| SYPHILIS, ALL SITES & STAGES            | MALE       |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1/2   |
|   | FEMALE     |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 3/3   |
| TUBERCULOSIS                            | MALE       |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|   | FEMALE     |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 6/5   |
| WARTS, ALL SITES                        | MALE       | 2/3    | 1   | 2/7   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 6/11  |
|   | FEMALE     | 1      |     | 1     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2     |
| OTHER INFECT/PARASITIC DISEASES NEC     | MALE       | 1      | 1/1 |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2/1   |
|   | FEMALE     | 2/1    |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2/1   |
| VIRAL CONJUNCTIVITIS                    | MALE       |        | 1   | 1     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 3/1   |
|   | FEMALE     | 2/1    |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4/3   |
| STREP THROAT, SCARLET FEVER, ERYsipelas | MALE       | 3      |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 3     |
|   | FEMALE     | 2/1    | 1   | 1     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4/1   |
| MONILIASIS EXCL UROGENITAL              | MALE       |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|   | FEMALE     |        |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 1/1   |

NUMBER BEFORE "/"=PATIENTS NUMBER AFTER "/"=VISITS IN LAST YEAR

NUMBER WITHOUT "/"=PATIENTS, BUT NO VISITS IN LAST YEAR

# 1970's: CoStAR (MUMPS)

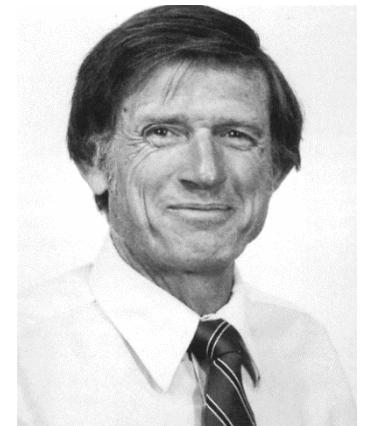
Directory/Data dictionary

Modular design/User configuration

Structured encounter form for data capture

Queryable database

Integrated administrative, financial and clinical data



Octo Barnett, MD

# Others ...

The Medical Record – Duke (Problem-oriented, multiple input techniques)



Regenstrief Medical Record System – Regenstrief Institute  
(Reminders, CDS, Device interfaces)

Bill Stead, MD  
Ed Hammond, PhD



Clem McDonald, MD

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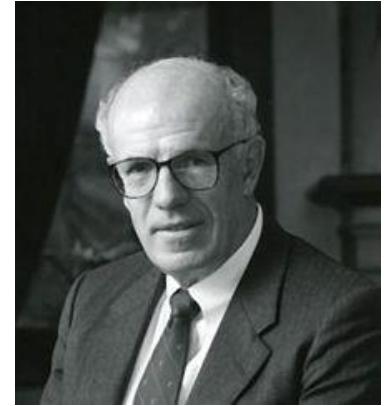
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## **Brief History of Health Informatics: CDS**

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# 1967: Health Evolution through Logic Processing (HELP) First EMR with CDS



Homer Warner, MD, PhD

## Knowledge engineering

### Lung consolidation

- a. PE shows abnormal chest percussion with dullness
  - b. PE shows abnormal pulmonary auscultation with bronchial breath sounds
  - c. PE shows abnormal pulmonary auscultation with egophony  
(E-to-A changes)
  - d. PE shows abnormal chest palpation with increased vocal fremitus
  - e. PE shows abnormal pulmonary auscultation with rales
  - f. PE shows abnormal pulmonary auscultation with pectoriloquy
- True if (a or b) and 2 of (c,d,e,f)

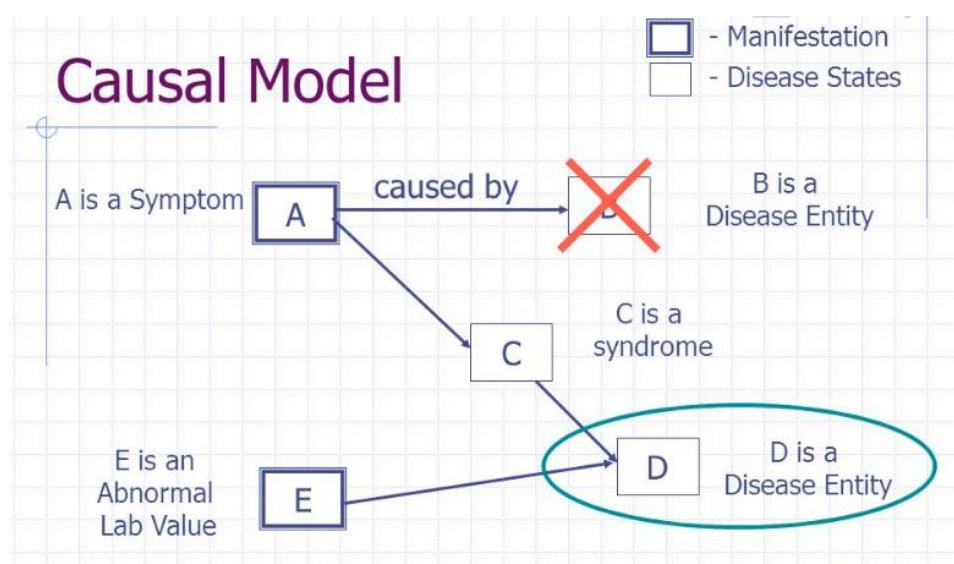
## Bayesian statistics

### Iron deficiency anemia (a priori = .075)

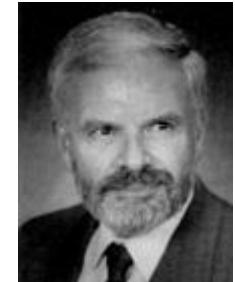
|                                    |       |     |
|------------------------------------|-------|-----|
| a. Anemia                          | .999  | .10 |
| b. Hypochromic and microcytic RBCs | .85   | .07 |
| c. Iron deficiency                 | .9999 | .01 |
| xor                                |       |     |
| At risk for iron deficiency        | .95   | .25 |
| xor                                |       |     |
| Chronic blood loss                 | .95   | .10 |
| d. Absolute reticulocyte count     |       |     |
| <50,000                            | .90   | .08 |
| 50,000–200,000                     | .10   | .84 |
| ≥200,000                           | .001  | .08 |

# 1974: INTERNIST Computer Aided Diagnosis

Knowledge base consisting of some 500 disease entities, organized into categories by organ system, and their over 3,000 clinical manifestations.

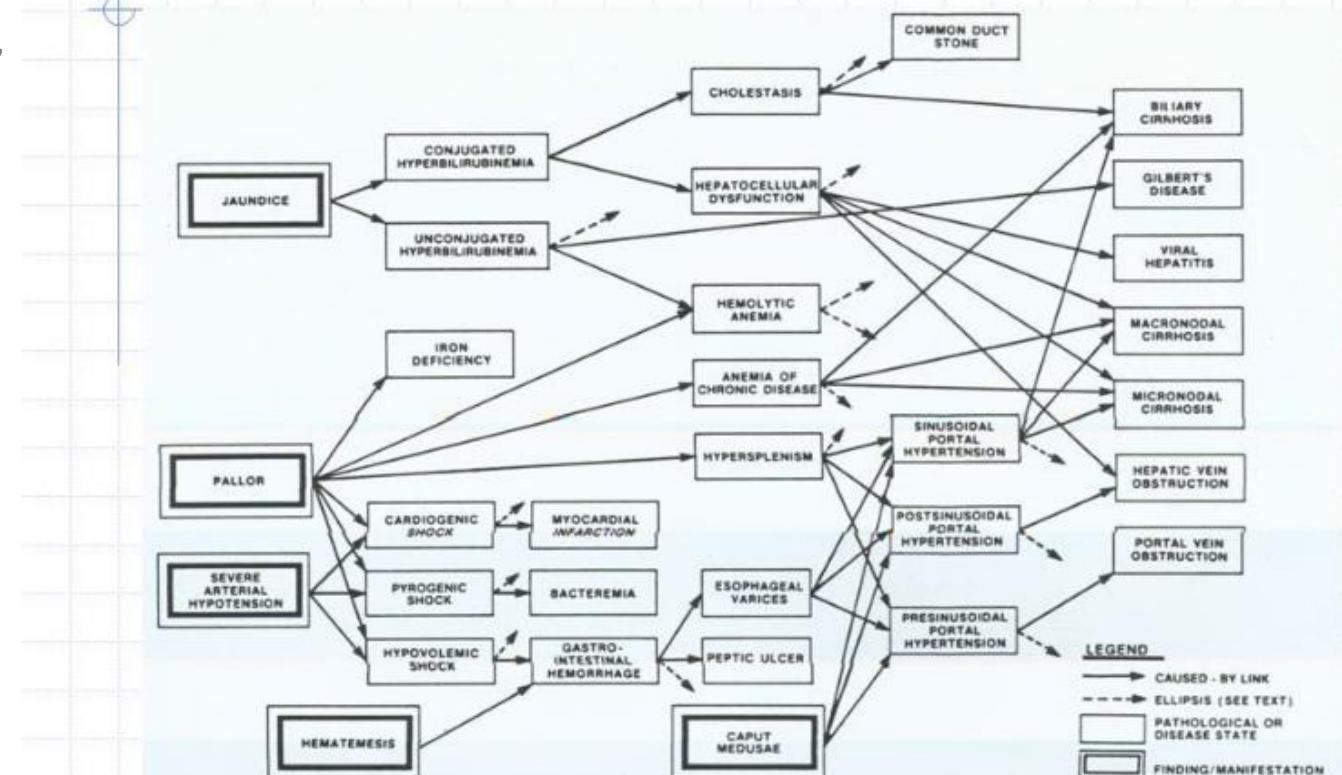


Jack Myers, MD



Harry Pople, PhD

## Causal Model



PURSUING: DISSEMINATED INTRAVASCULAR COAGULATION  
ACUTE

PLEASE ENTER FINDINGS OF COAGULATION TEST (S)  
\*GO

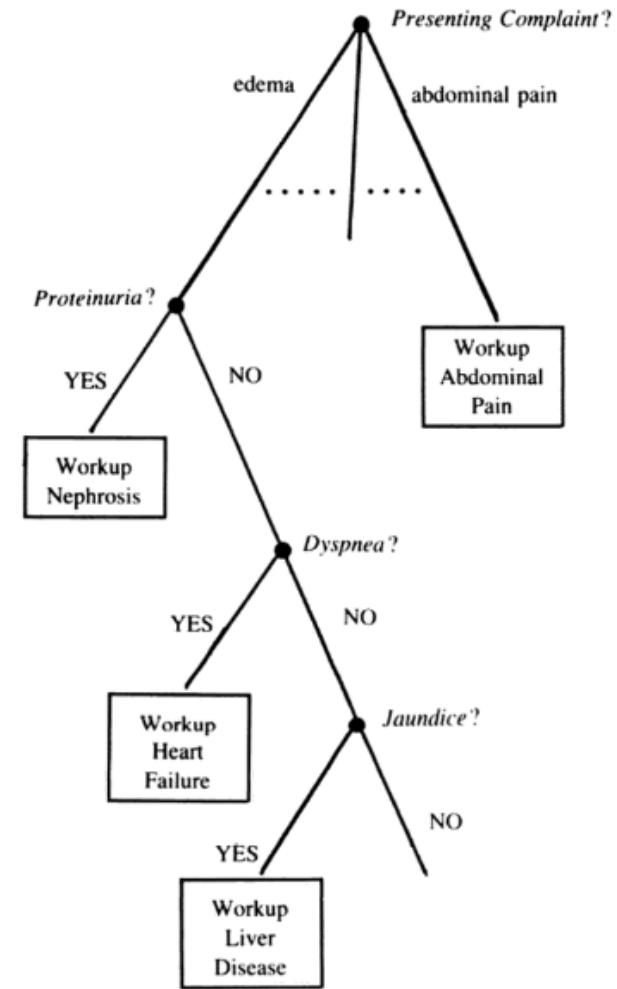
ANTITHROMBIN III LESS THAN 50 PERCENT OF NORMAL?  
N/A

ETHANOL GEL TEST POSITIVE?  
N/A

PROTAMINE PARACOAGULATION TEST POSITIVE?  
N/A

BLOOD INCOAGULABLE?  
NO

While INTERNIST worked - in complex cases it often considered inappropriate possibilities and wasted clinicians' time answering questions with respect to them. To overcome this, INTERNIST-II used a heuristic that recognized that certain manifestations are distinctively characteristic of a disease or category of diseases. Jaundice, which is prominent in this diagram we just saw, is highly suggestive of liver disease so the initial focus in a patient with this symptom should be on this disease category, as it would be if a physician were making the diagnosis.



INTERNIST II

# 1972: MYCIN Computer Aided Treatment

- Fairly simple inference engine/knowledge base of ~600 rules
- Physician query
- Provided a ranked list of possible bacteria
- Probability of each diagnosis with confidence its confidence in each diagnosis
- Reasoning behind each diagnosis (list of questions and rules which led to its ranking)
- Recommended course of drug treatment.

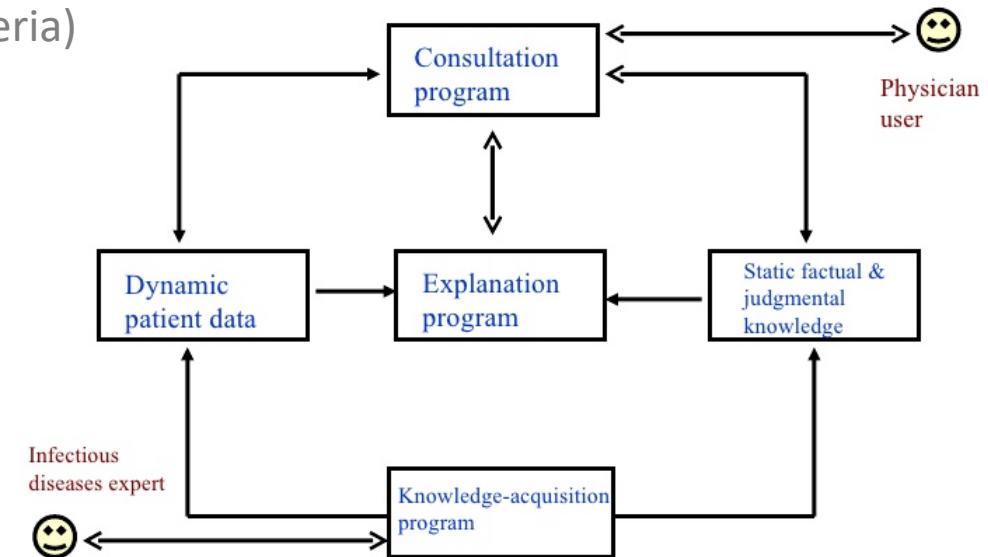
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a65uwr\\_O7mM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a65uwr_O7mM)  
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Never used in practice

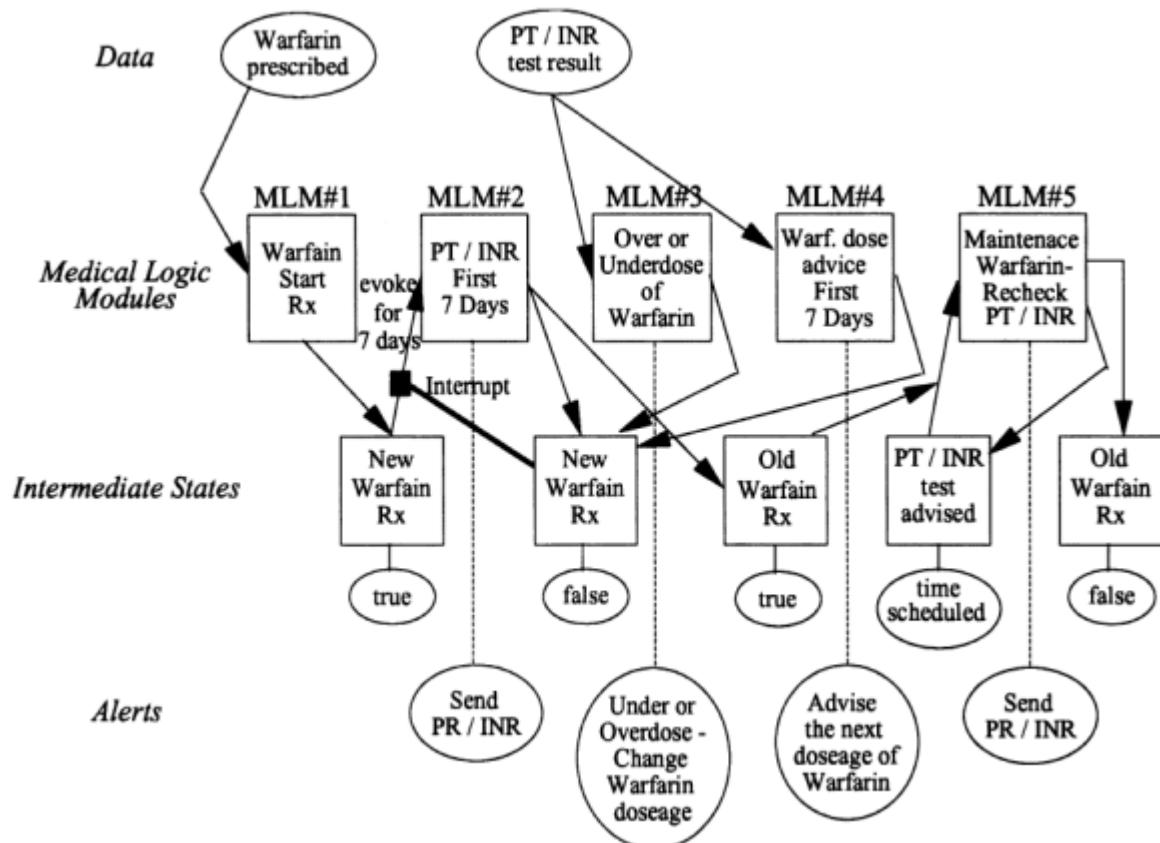


Ted Shortliffe, MD, PhD

Research indicated that it proposed an acceptable therapy ~ 69% of cases, (better than infectious disease experts using the same criteria)



# 1994: A Standard for Clinical Decision Support Arden Syntax



George Hripcsak

# Arden Example

```
library:  
purpose:  
    When a penicillin is prescribed, check for an allergy. (This MLM  
    demonstrates checking for contraindications.);;  
explanation:  
    This MLM is evoked when a penicillin medication is ordered. An  
    alert is generated because the patient has an allergy to penicillin  
    recorded.;;  
keywords: penicillin; allergy; ;  
citations: ;;  
knowledge:  
type: data-driven;;  
data:  
    /* an order for a penicillin evokes this MLM */  
    penicillin order := event {medication order where  
        class = penicillin};  
    /* find allergies */  
    penicillin allergy := read last {allergy where  
        agent class = penicillin};  
    ;;  
evoke:  
    penicillin_order;;  
logic:  
    if exist(penicillin allergy) then  
        conclude true;  
    endif;  
    ;;  
action:  
    write "Caution, the patient has the following allergy to penicillin documented:"  
        || penicillin_allergy;;  
urgency: 50;;  
end|
```

# Curly Braces Problem

```
creatinine := read {"dam='PDQRES2"}; → Interoperability
last_creat := read last {select "OBSRV_VALUE"
from "LCR" where qualifier in
("CREATININE",
"QUERY_OBSRV_ALL")};
```

# Introduction to Health (Clinical) Informatics

US Healthcare

Brief History of Health Informatics: CDS

**Early Interoperability Standards**

Exciting Times

# Today: Integrated Systems



EMR



Lab Systems



# Yesterday: Best of Breed



Dr. Donald W. Simborg, MD, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Simborg Systems Corporation, which introduced the open architecture patient care system StatLan. Co-founder of HL7.

## LOCAL AREA NETWORKS: WHY? WHAT? WHAT IF?

DONALD W. SIMBORG, M.D.

The most rapidly developing phenomenon in computing, other than the microcomputer itself, is the technology that links computers. Under the general rubric of local area network (LAN) technology, a new industry has emerged, producing an explosive and confusing array of concepts, configurations, and jargon. Those computing physicians who are still struggling to understand why they require 10 bits rather than 8, or the significance of the notion of using "datagrams" or "virtual circuits" to talk to one of their colleague's computers. Although the technology is complex, the

user need only understand it to the level required for making intelligent decisions. This discussion is directed to that purpose.

WHY?  
Since a network is basically just a collection of microcomputers, why is there suddenly so much interest in this subject? One answer is that since the microelectronics explosion, there are many more computers to connect. But if we are now developing an entire network of computers, why not go back to one big computer again and save the trouble? Why connect one hundred \$1,000 computers when I can buy one \$100,000 computer?

The simple answer is that 100 microcomputers are more powerful than one larger system costing the same amount, even considering the connection costs. The distribution of computing power among cycles to each user is a powerful phenomenon. It enables rapid response time; it provides independence; and it allows the ultimate flexibility in developing complex information systems.

What's In It for the Computing Physician?  
There are many situations in which the computing physician

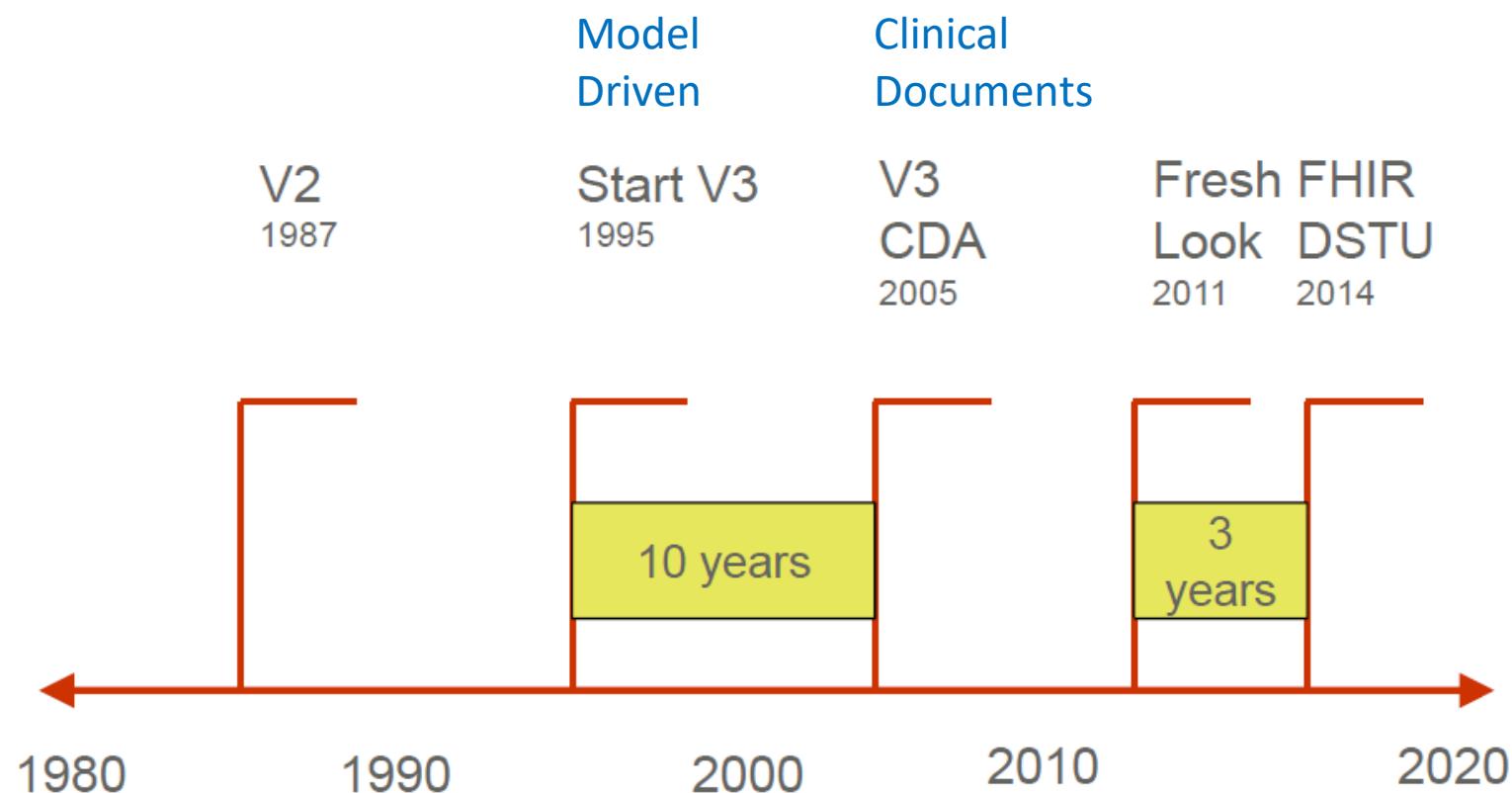
DONALD W. SIMBORG, M.D.  
*Dr. Simborg is president of the Simborg Systems Corporation, a company providing consultation and software products for the use of local area networks in hospitals and other health settings. As director of the Hospital Computer Systems Department at the University of California (San Francisco) Hospitals from 1976 to 1984, he pioneered the use of local area networks in such environments. He has published widely on many aspects of hospital information systems, and has maintained a practice in internal medicine for seventeen years.*

# HL7's Mission

“a not-for-profit, ANSI-accredited standards developing organization dedicated to providing a comprehensive framework and related standards for the exchange, integration, sharing, and retrieval of electronic health information that supports clinical practice and the management, delivery and evaluation of health services”



# HL7 Evolution



# Exciting Times

P Boxer, Jake P - 00010013 Opened by Zmek MD, Perry

Task Edit View Patient Chart Links Notifications Navigation Help

Home Message Center Dynamic Worklist MyExperience Activities Invitations Patient List eCoach Favorites Management ePA Worklist

Uptodate Links Propo: 0 Messag: 0 Result: 0

Tear Off Suspend Exit Calculator AdHoc Temporary Location Communicate Patient Education + Add Patient Pharmacy iAware Discern Reporting Portal

Boxer, Jake P

Boxer, Jake P DOB:07/14/1961 Age:55 years Sex:Male MRN:00010013 Allergies: cephalosporins Isolation: CommonWell: Not Enrolled Clinical Trials: Care Team: <No Primary Contact> Loc:BW 15NW; 15004; 2 Resuscitation Status: HealthLife: Yes Advance Dir:

Menu - All SMART Diabetes+Me

Provider Workflow Orders + Add Documentation + Add Outside Records

Activities Allergies + Add Clinical Media + Add Demographics Diagnoses and Problems Flowsheet and I&O Growth Chart Health Maintenance Histories Immunization Schedule MAR Summary Medication List + Add Notes Results Review Resonance Validator SMART App Validator SMART BP Centiles SMART Diabetes+Me SMART Duke PillBox SMART Service CHADD, VAS

Mr. Jake Boxer Edit Health Data

PATIENT INFORMATION

Full Name Mr. Jake Boxer Date of Birth 1961-07-14 (55y) Gender Male Patient ID 3772357

COMPREHENSIVE DIABETES CARE

Type 2 SCREENINGS Last Foot Nov 28, 2016 Abnormal Last Urine None Last Creatinine Nov 06, 2016 0.8 Last Eye None

Allergies: cephalosporins ACE-I/ARB None Aspirin None

WELLBEING SCORE

72 See how we calculate this score

A1C 6.7 Statin 25.0 BMI 25.0 LDL 89 BP 115/77

LOGBOOK MEDICATIONS MODELING LABS & VITALS TARGETS CARE PLANS

Logbook TABLE GRAPH ADD ENTRY MESSAGE PATIENT

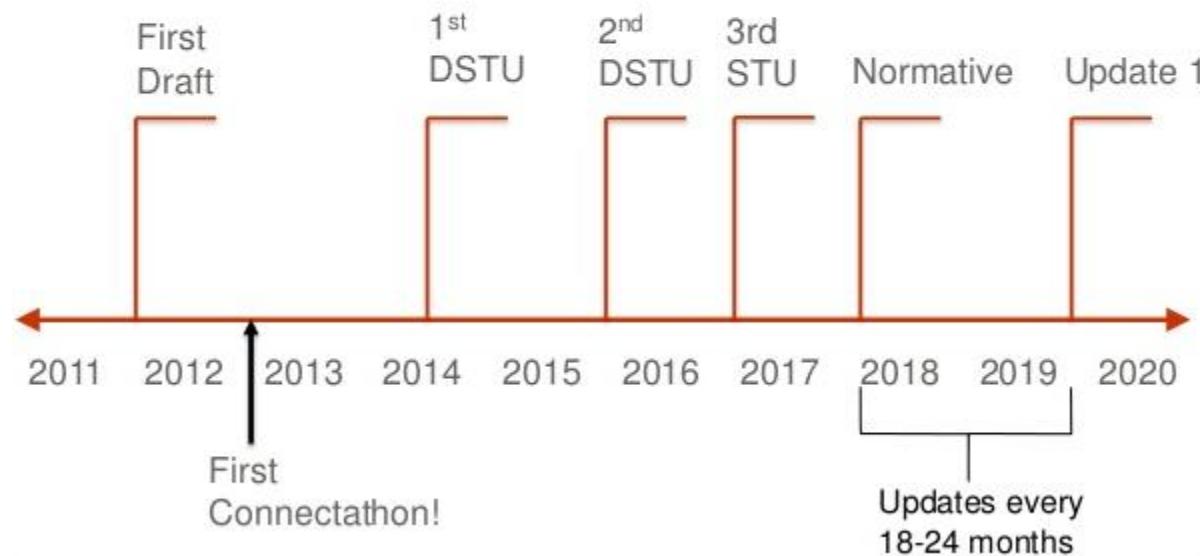
Date Early Breakfast Lunch Dinner Bedtime

Blue arrow pointing right towards the SMART Diabetes+Me interface.



EMORY  
UNIVERSITY  
SCHOOL OF  
MEDICINE

# FHIR Timeline



# Standards and Tools of the trade

## Why Standards?

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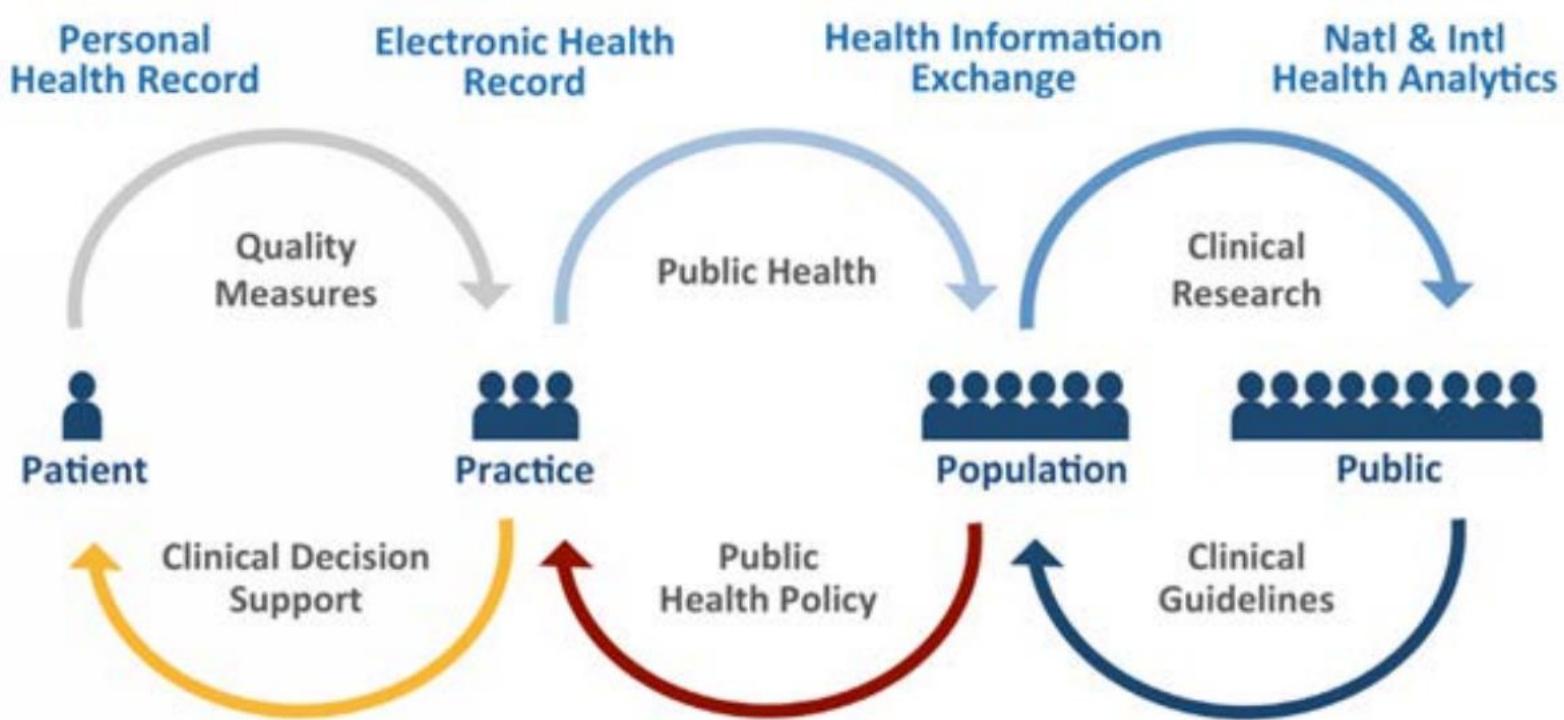
Open mHealth

# Why Standards? Interoperability

**Traditional:** possessing the technical means to share diverse data among digital systems and tools

**Open:** ensuring that the data stored in digital health systems is freely available to end users and software developers rather than being restricted only to the vendor companies that created those systems

# Contemporary Interoperability Spectrum



# Care Coordination Chronic Disease



“... while the average Medicare beneficiary sees between six and seven different physicians, **beneficiaries with five or more chronic conditions see almost 14 different physicians in a year** and average 37 physician visits annually. People with five or more chronic conditions fill almost 50 prescriptions in a year.”

# Transitions of Care Medication Reconciliation

“an estimated 80% of serious medical errors involve miscommunication between caregivers during the transfer of patients.”

[http://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/6/tst\\_hoc\\_persp\\_08\\_12.pdf](http://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/6/tst_hoc_persp_08_12.pdf)

Qvera Interface Engine

Qvera - CCD Reconciliation Form

|                 |                                  |        |                   |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| Sample Org Name | Author: Sample Org Name          | Phone: | From: 30-Nov-2012 |
|                 | Date: 30-Aug-2013 at 01:24:18 PM | Email: | To: 30-Nov-2012   |

|             |                  |        |                             |
|-------------|------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Dante Cohen | DOB: 10-Feb-1969 | MRN:   | Address: 2505 Fifth St #202 |
|             | Gender: Male     | Phone: | Frackville, NY 17931        |

Back Import Selected Items Back

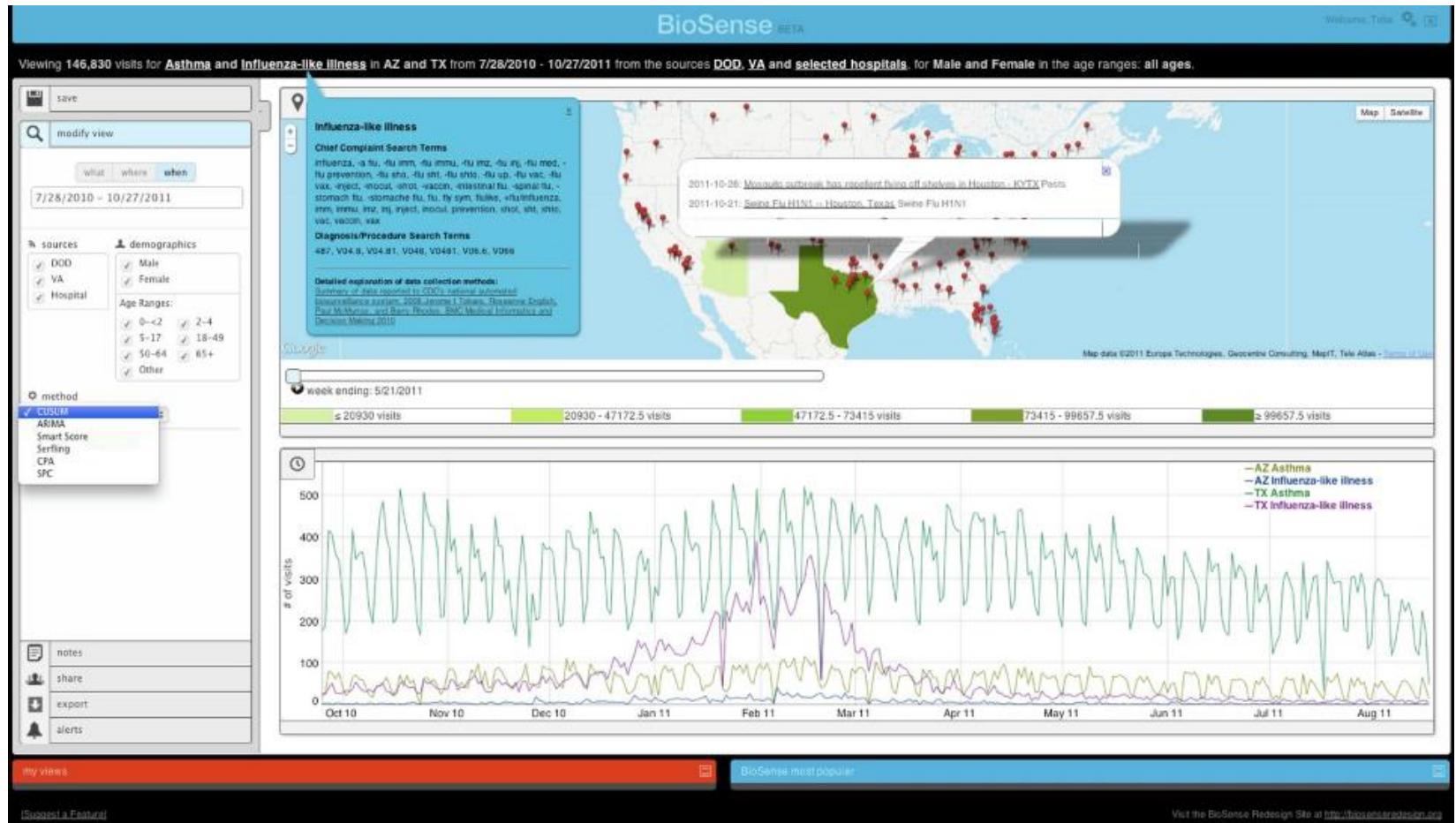
Select All Medications

|                                     | CCD Document  | Centrity EMR  |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>Ability 15 mg oral tablet (1)</b><br>name: Ability 15 mg oral tablet<br>generic: aripiprazole 15 MG Oral Tablet<br>sig: 15 mg PO once a day<br>start: 30-Nov-2012<br>stop:             | <br>name: Ability 15 mg oral tablet<br>generic: aripiprazole 15 MG Oral Tablet<br>sig: 15 mg PO once a day<br>start: 30-Nov-2012<br>stop: |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>Ambien 5 mg oral tablet (1)</b><br>name: Ambien 5 mg oral tablet<br>generic: Zolpidem tartrate 5 MG Oral Tablet<br>sig: 5 mg PO once a day (at bedtime)<br>start: 30-Nov-2012<br>stop: |   |

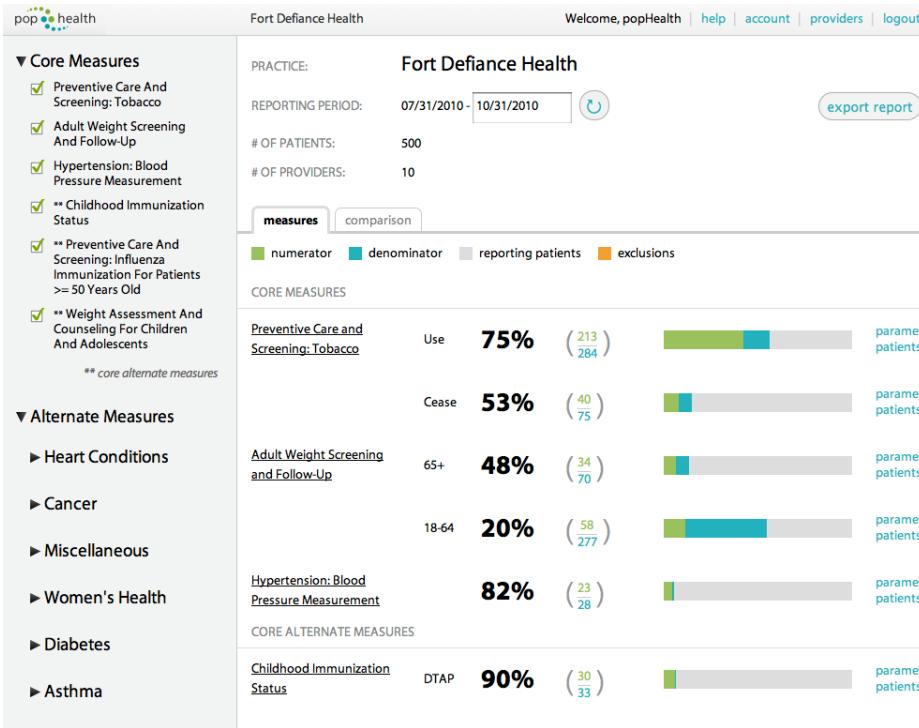
Select All Problems

|                          | CCD Document  | Centrity EMR   |
|--------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>HTN [Hypertension] (1)</b><br>desc: HTN [Hypertension]<br>code: ICD-401.9<br>type: Diagnosis<br>source: -<br>onset: 2010<br>end: | <br>desc: HTN [Hypertension]<br>code: ICD-401.9<br>type: Diagnosis<br>source:<br>onset: 2010<br>end: |

# Public Health Surveillance



# Population Health Quality Measures



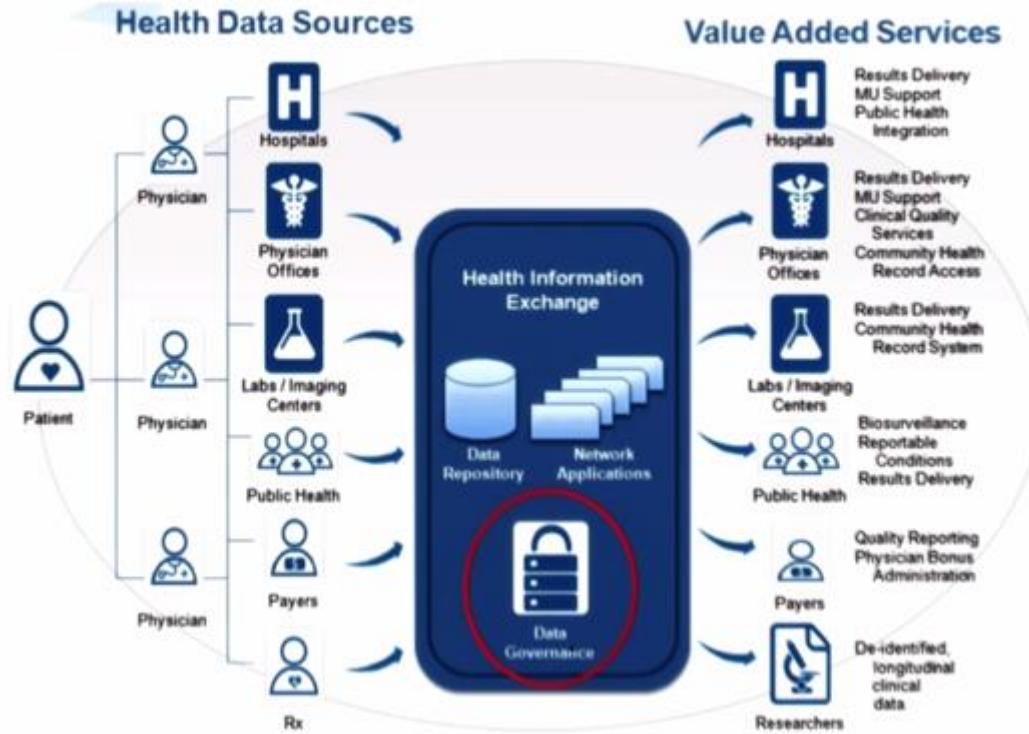
## The Triple Aim (IHI):

Improving the patient experience of care (including quality and satisfaction)  
*Improving the health of populations*  
Reducing the per capita cost of health care

<https://www.osehra.org/popHealth>

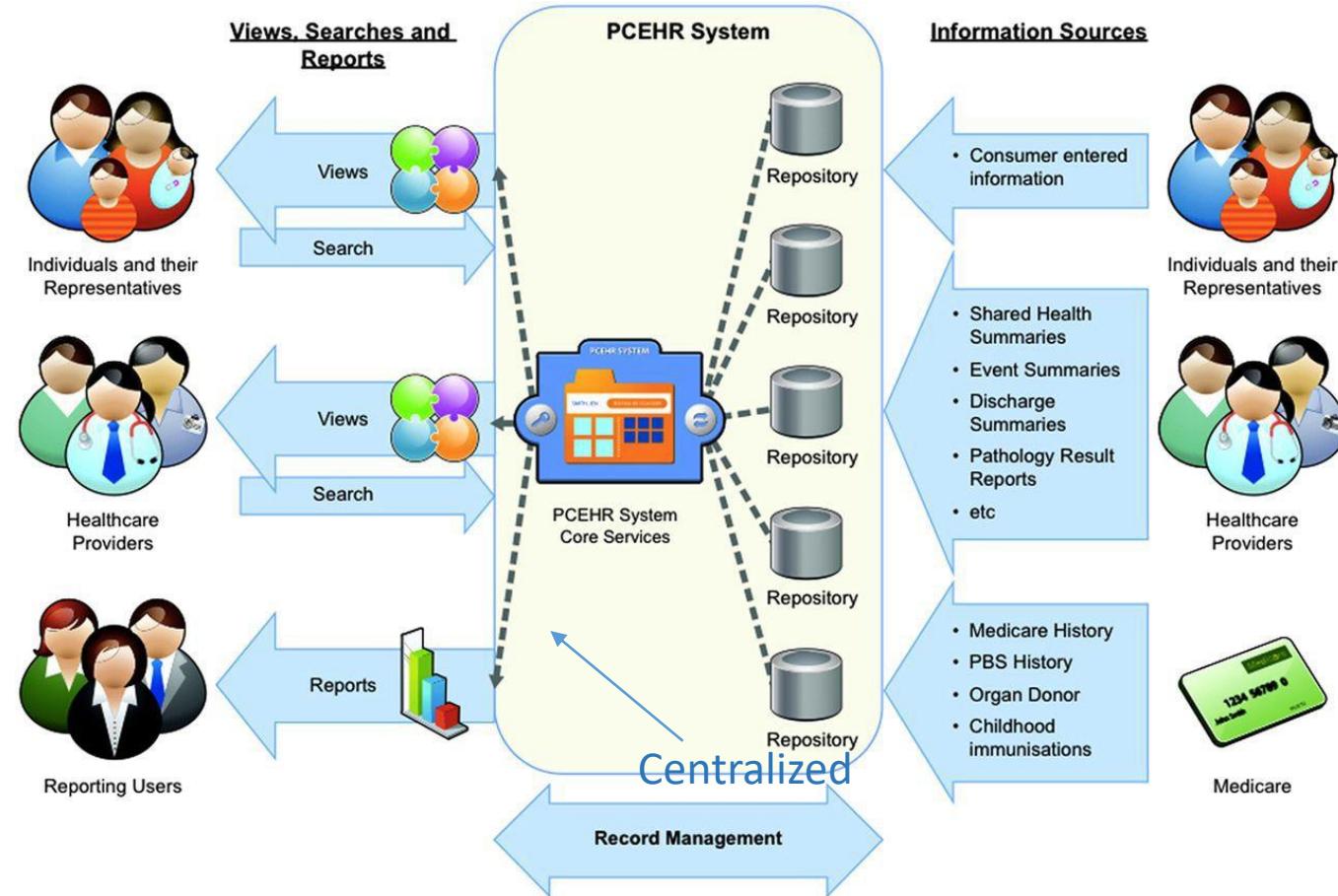
# Regional Health Information Exchange

## Indiana Health Information Exchange (IHIE)

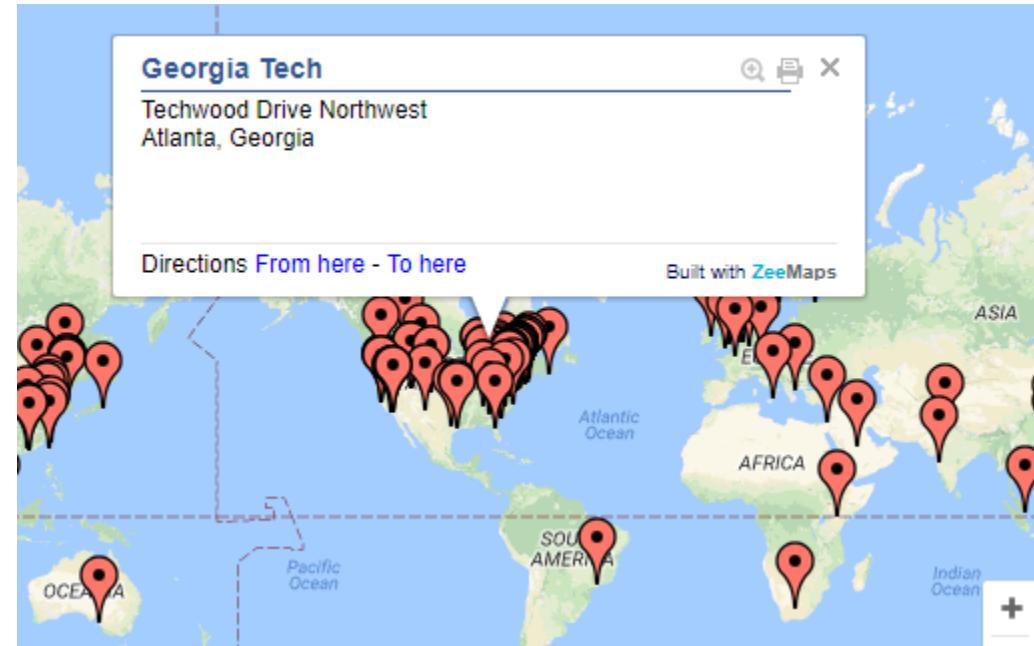


# National EHR

## My Health Record (Australia)



# Global Research Observational Health Data Sciences and Informatics (OHDSI)



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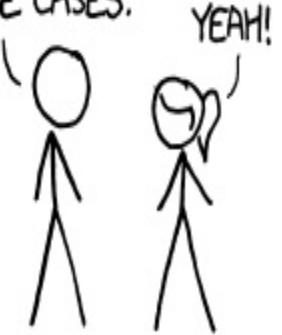
    SNOMED Activity

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HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE:  
(SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC)

SITUATION:  
THERE ARE  
14 COMPETING  
STANDARDS.

H?! RIDICULOUS!  
WE NEED TO DEVELOP  
ONE UNIVERSAL STANDARD  
THAT COVERS EVERYONE'S  
USE CASES.



SOON:

SITUATION:  
THERE ARE  
15 COMPETING  
STANDARDS.

# HL7 V2 Message

An implementation-driven standard that works well enough in a wide variety of use cases.

95% of US healthcare organizations use HL7 V2.x

LOINC **1554-5** Glucose [Mass/volume] in Serum or Plasma --12 hours fasting

```
MSH|^~\&|GHH LAB|ELAB-3|GHH OE|BLDG4|200202150930||ORU^R01|CNTRL-3456|P|2.4<cr>
PID||555-44-4444||EVERYWOMAN^EVE^E^^^L|JONES|19620320|F|||153 FERNWOOD DR.^ STATESVILLE^OH^35292||(206)3345232|(206)752-121||||AC555444444||67-A4335^OH^20030520<cr>
OBR|1|845439^GHH OE|1045813^GHH LAB|15545^GLUCOSE|||200202150730|||||555-55-5555^PRIMARY^PATRICIA P^^^^MD^|||F|||||444-44-4444^HIPPOCRATES^HOWARD H^^^^MD<cr>
OBX|1|SN|1554-5^GLUCOSE^POST 12H CFST:MCNC:PT:SER/PLAS:QN||^182|mg/dl|70_105|H|||F<cr>
```



Segments:

MSH – Header

PID – Patient Identifier

OBR – Observation Request

OBX – Observation Result

Glucose level (normal ranges)

# V2 Message Types/Segments

ACK – General acknowledgement

ADT – Admit/discharge/transfer

BAR – Add/change billing account

DFT – Detailed financial transaction

MDM – Medical document management

MFN – Master files notification

ORM – Order (Pharmacy/treatment)

**ORU – Observation result (unsolicited)**

QRY – Query, original mode

RAS – Pharmacy/treatment administration

RDE – Pharmacy/treatment encoded order

RGV – Pharmacy/treatment give

SIU – Scheduling information unsolicited

DG1 – Diagnosis

EVN – Event type

GT1 – Guarantor

IN1 – Insurance

**MSH – Message header**

NK1 – Next of kin/associated parties

NTE – Notes and comments

**OBR – Observation request**

**OBX – Observation result**

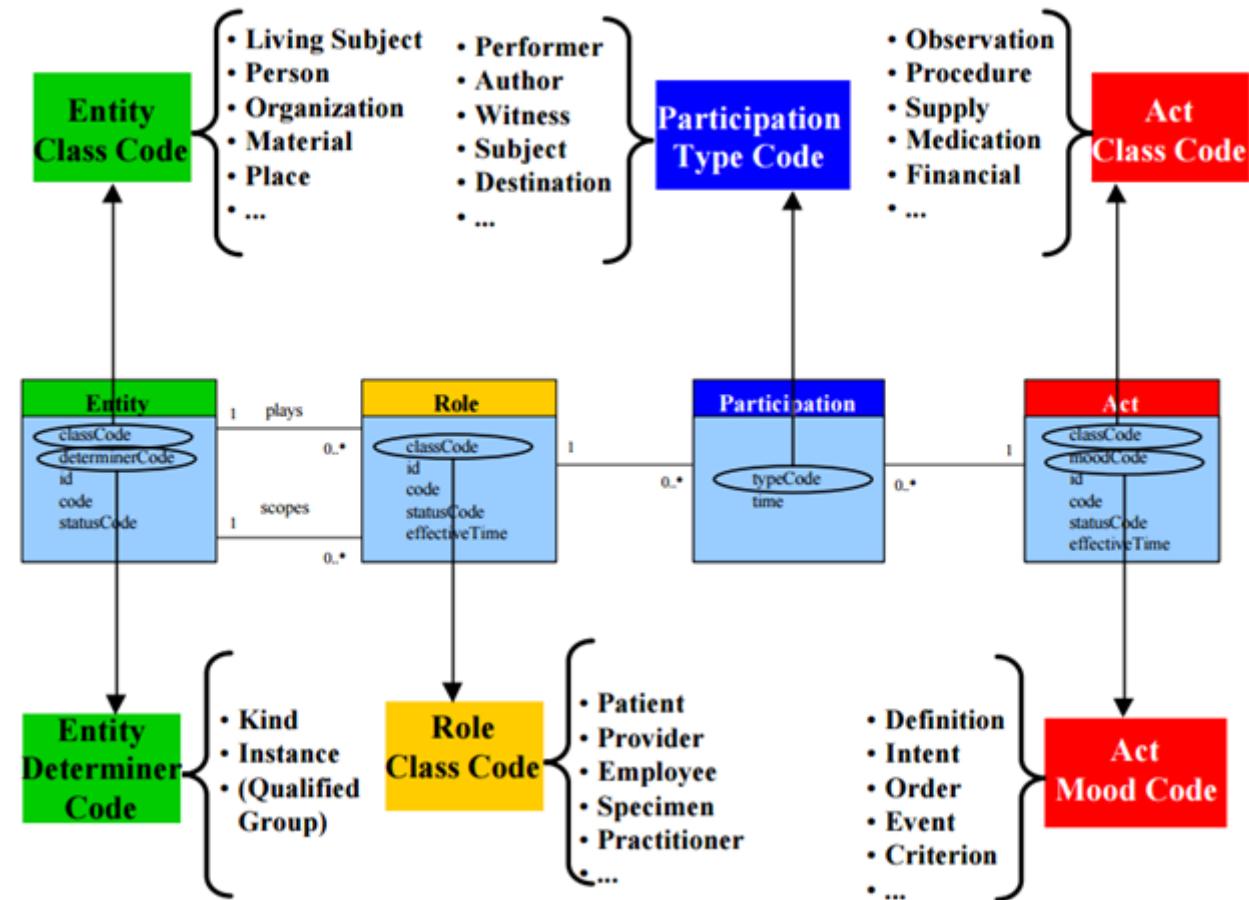
ORC – Common order

**PID – Patient identification**

FT1 (for DFT messages) – Financial transaction

# RIM Core Structural Attributes

“a static model of health and healthcare information as viewed within the scope of HL7 standards development activities”



# HL7 V3 Model Driven

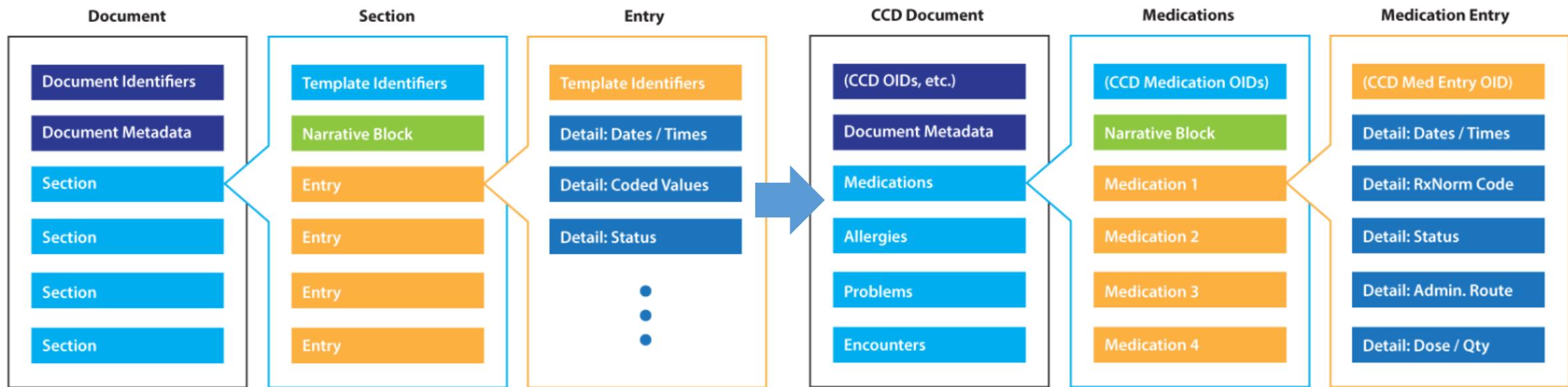
Transmission Wrapper  
Trigger Event Control Act wrapper  
Domain Content

```
<observationEvent>
<id root="2.16.840.1.113883.19.1122.4" extension="1045813"
  assigningAuthorityName="GHH LAB Filler Orders"/>
<code code="1554-5" codeSystemName="LN" ← LOINC 1554-5 Glucose [Mass/volume] in Serum or Plasma --12 hours fasting
  codeSystem="2.16.840.1.113883.6.1"
  displayName="GLUCOSE^POST 12H CFST:MCNC:PT:SER/PLAS:QN"/>
<statusCode code="completed"/>
<effectiveTime value="200202150730"/>
<priorityCode code="R"/>
<confidentialityCode code="N" ←
  codeSystem="2.16.840.1.113883.5.25"/>
<value xsi:type="PQ" value="182" unit="mg/dL"/>
<interpretationCode code="H"/>
<referenceRange>
  <interpretationRange>
    <value xsi:type="IVL_PQ">
      <low value="70" unit="mg/dL"/>
      <high value="105" unit="mg/dL"/>
    </value>
    <interpretationCode code="N"/>
  </interpretationRange>
</referenceRange>
```

Glucose level (normal ranges)

| Level | Code             | Display         |
|-------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1     | _Confidentiality | Confidentiality |
| 2     | L                | low             |
| 2     | M                | moderate        |
| 2     | N                | normal          |
| 2     | R                | restricted      |
| 2     | U                | unrestricted    |
| 2     | V                | very restricted |

# HL7 Clinical Document Architecture (CDA)

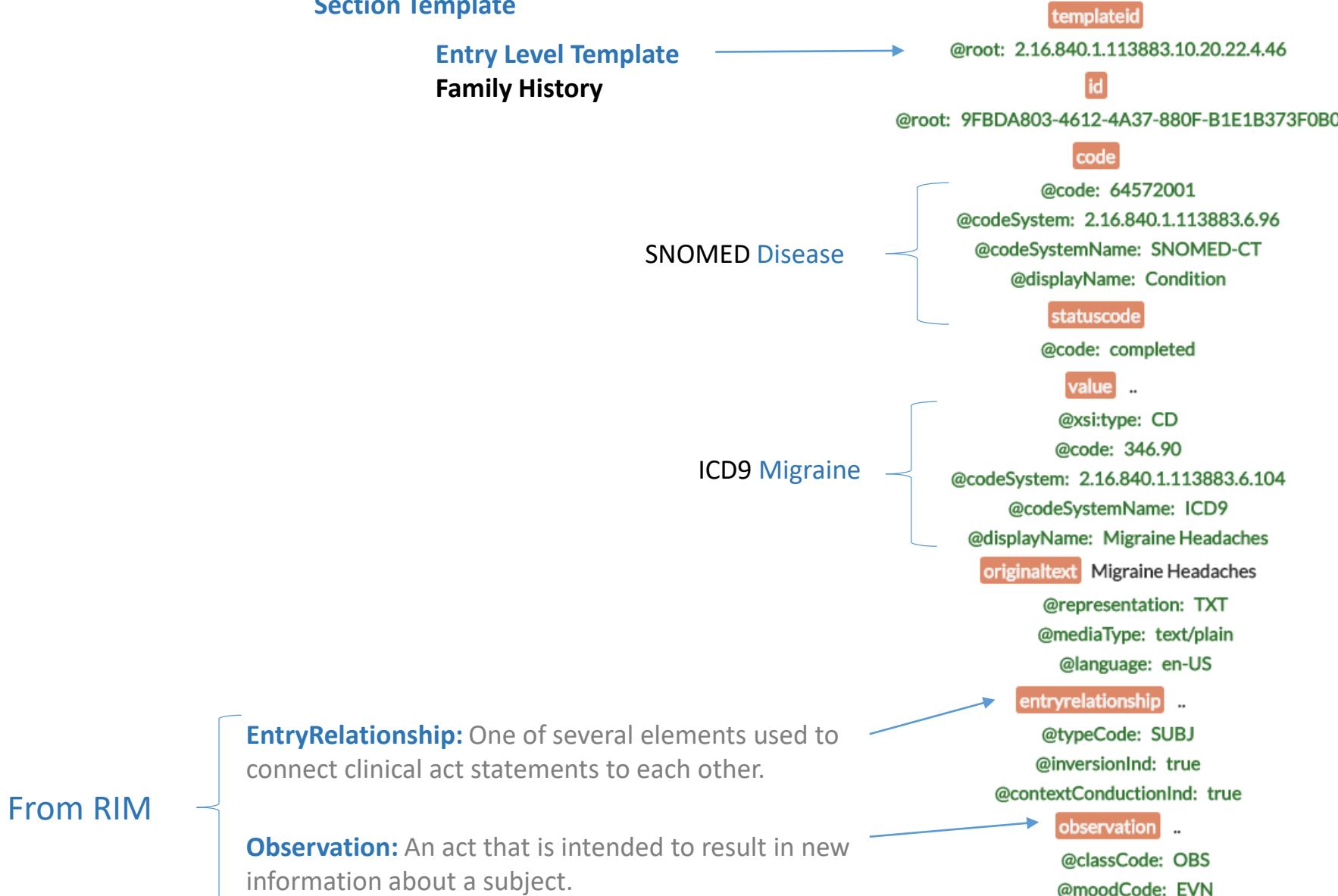


Complex XML schema  
Renderable  
Not composeable

1. Open Alma Deleon CCD with Text Viewer Program
2. Copy and paste into XML Input Box
3. Click Tree View

## Document Template

### Section Template



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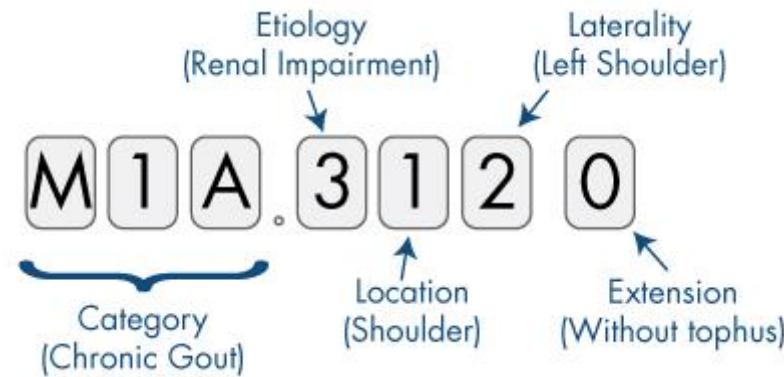
    RxNorm Activity

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# WHO: ICD-10 Complexity



# ICD-10 Versus ICD-9

| ICD-9  | ICD-10  |
|--|---|
| 3 to 5 characters in length  | 3 to 7 characters in length   |
| Approximately 13,000 codes   | Approximately 68,000 available codes  |
| First character may be alpha (E or V) or numeric; characters 2–5 are numeric | Character 1 is alpha; characters 2 and 3 are numeric; characters 4–7 are alpha or numeric |
| Limited space for adding new codes   | Flexible for adding new codes   |
| Lacks detail   | Very specific   |
| Lacks laterality   | Has laterality (i.e., codes identifying right vs. left)                                   |

# Breast Cancer

174.5: Malignant neoplasm of female breast, lower-outer quadrant

Three possible codes based on laterality:

- C50.511- Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of **right** female breast
- C50.512- Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of **left** female breast
- C50.519- Malignant neoplasm of lower-outer quadrant of **unspecified** female breast

# ICD Activity

<http://apps.who.int/classifications/icd10/browse/2015/en>

*or*

<https://icd.who.int/dev11/l-m/en>

How many ICD-10 top level classifications are there?

In what ICD-10 top level classification is *idiopathic gout* found?

What joint is affected in *gonarthrosis*?

What is the proper ICD-10 code for *Type 2 diabetes mellitus with multiple complications*?

According to the ICD-11 Foundation information, which of the these is *not* a symptom of *essential hypertension*?  
Headache, Tinnitus, Nosebleeds, Lethargy

# ICD Activity

How many ICD-10 top level classifications are there?

**22**

In what ICD-10 top level classification is *idiopathic gout* found?

**Diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue**

What joint is affected in *gonarthrosis*?

**Knee**

What is the proper ICD-10 code for *Type 2 diabetes mellitus with multiple complications*?

**E11.7**

According to the ICD-11 Foundation information, which of the these is *not* a symptom of *essential hypertension*?

**Headache**, Tinnitus, Nosebleeds, Lethargy

# AMA: Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Names

| Description |   |
|-------------|---|
| Full        | Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent, derived from recombinant DNA (RIV3), hemagglutinin (HA) protein only, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use |
| Medium      | Influenza Virus Vaccine Trivalen RIV3 PRSR FR IM  |
| Short       | Flu Vacc RIV3 No Preserv  |

# CPT Categories

Category III Emerging/Experimental

# 47360

Category I CPT code

\*Liver management; complex suture of liver wound or injury, with or without hepatic artery ligation.

Procedures that are consistent with contemporary **medical** practice and are **widely** performed

DOCTOR



# 3008F

Category II CPT

\*Body Mass Index (BMI), documented

Supplementary **tracking codes** that can be used for **performance measures**

# CPT

## Medical Complexity

### Office Visit CPT Coding Guidelines - New Patient

| Office Visit Code | Type of History            | Type of Exam               | Type of Decision Making |
|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 99201             | Problem focused            | Problem focused            | Straightforward         |
| 99202             | Expanded - problem focused | Expanded - problem focused | Straightforward         |
| 99203             | Detailed                   | Detailed                   | Low complexity          |
| 99204             | Comprehensive              | Comprehensive              | Moderate complexity     |
| 99205             | Comprehensive              | Comprehensive              | High complexity         |

# CPT Workload

| CPT psychotherapy code | Session time | Minimum face-to-face time |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 90833                  | 30           | 16                        |
| 90836                  | 45           | 38                        |
| 90838                  | 60           | 53                        |

# CPT Activity

Navigate here: <https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/find-coding-resources>

Click and register for free search

[Set region to Mississippi](#)

Search on keyword 'psychotherapy'.

Which code represents clinical action that relates to *quality and performance metrics*?

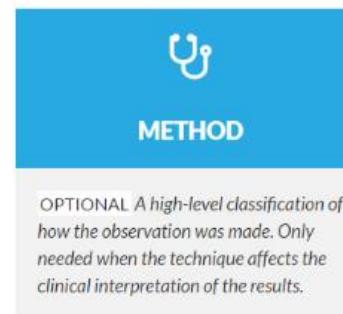
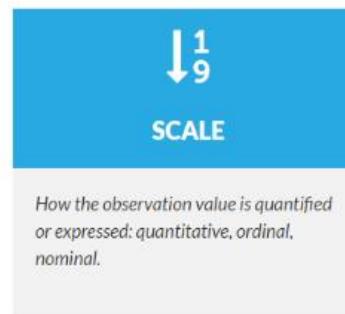
What are the CPT codes for a *multiple family group psychotherapy* and the Medicare payment for doing it in a facility?

[Set Region to Atlanta, GA](#)

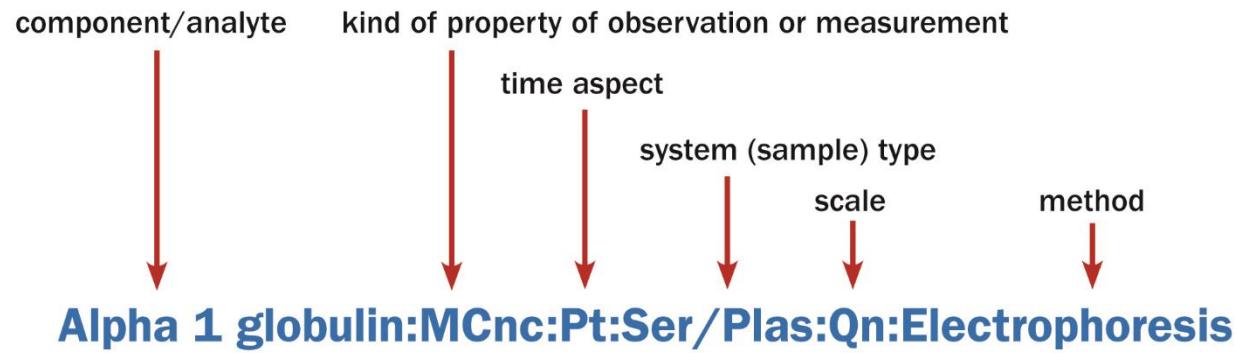
Search for *cesarean*. What is the Medicare payment for *standby service, requiring prolonged attendance, each 30 minutes?*

Search for *diabetes*. Find the CPT code for *Preventive behavior change ...* and type it in here.

# Regenstrief: LOINC Clinical Observations and Lab Tests



# Name Details



# LOINC Activity

Go to <https://loinc.org/>

Sign up for a free account to enable searching.

Locate the search page: <https://search.loinc.org/searchLOINC/search.zul>

Search for LOINC code 1514-9. What does *Qn* in the fifth (scale) subpart of its *Fully-Specified Name* indicate?

How many LOINC codes are there for the determination of Warfarin (Coumadin) level in *Urine*?

How many LOINC codes are there for a glucose determination using a glucometer?

True/False: The Point in Time aspect is used for these tests?

True/False: The Qualitative scale is used for the result set?

# FDA: National Drug Codes (NDC)



NDCList.com

# NDC Activity

Go to <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cder/ndc/>

Search for ‘insulin’ with the non-proprietary name search. How many entries are returned?

How many insulins have a route of administration of *oral*?

How many of these liquid, orally administered insulins are approved by the FDA?

What is the labeler code for *Novo Nordisk*?

Are the package codes consistent across all drug products with NDC codes?

# IHTSDO: SNOMED Hierarchical View of Medicine

Parents

- SNOMED CT Concept (SNOMED RT+CTV3)
- ▲ Clinical finding (finding)
- ▲ Finding by site (finding)
- ▲ Finding by system (finding)
- > □ Disorder of body system (disorder)
- ▲ □ Disorder of cardiovascular system (disorder)

**Hypertensive disorder, systemic arterial (disorder)** ★ ⓘ  
SCTID: 38341003

38341003 | Hypertensive disorder, systemic arterial (disorder) |

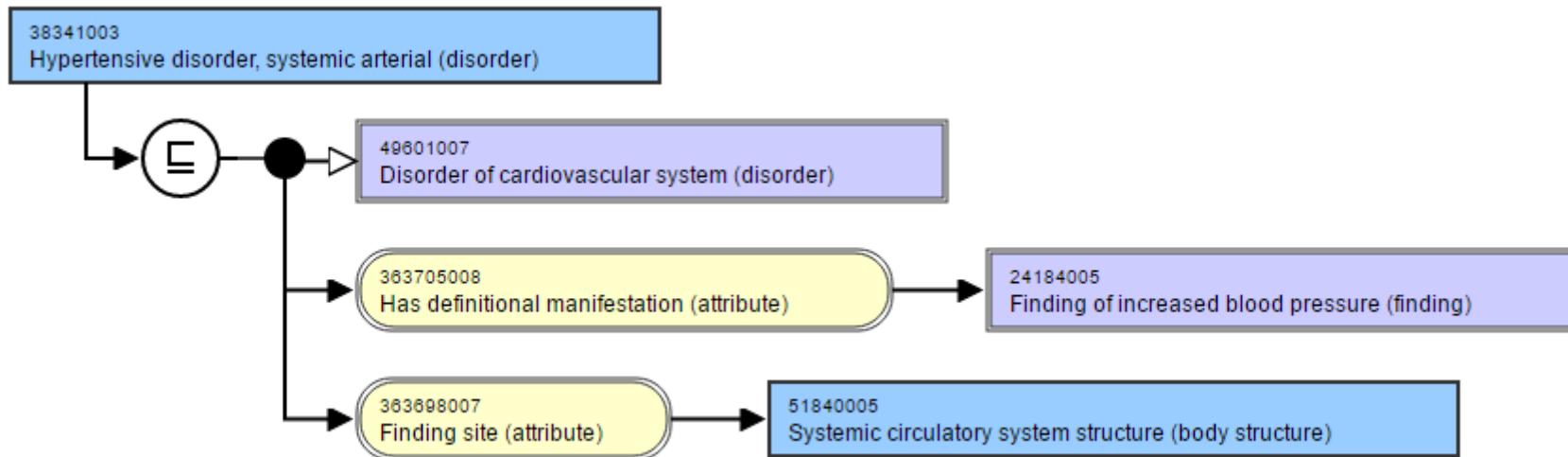
Hypertensive disorder, systemic arterial (disorder)  
Hypertensive disorder  
HTN - Hypertension  
Hypertensive disorder, systemic arterial  
BP - High blood pressure  
Systemic arterial hypertension  
HBP - High blood pressure  
HT - Hypertension  
High blood pressure disorder  
BP+ - Hypertension  
High blood pressure  
Hypertensive vascular disease  
Hypertensive vascular degeneration  
Hypertension

Has definitional manifestation → Finding of increased blood pressure  
Finding site → Systemic circulatory system structure

Children (23)

- > □ Benign hypertension (disorder)
- □ Brachydactyly and arterial hypertension syndrome (disorder)
- > □ Diastolic hypertension (disorder)
- > □ Eclampsia added to pre-existing hypertension (disorder)
- > □ Essential hypertension (disorder)
- □ Exertional hypertension (disorder)
- > □ Hypertension complicating pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium (disorder)
- □ Hypertension in chronic kidney disease due to type 1 diabetes mellitus (disorder)
- > □ Hypertension in chronic kidney disease due to type 2 diabetes mellitus (disorder)
- > □ Hypertension in the obstetric context (disorder)
- □ Hypertension with albuminuria (disorder)
- > □ Hypertensive crisis (disorder)

# SNOMED Graphical View



# SNOMED Concept Details

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# SNOMED

## Associated With (Attribute)

| Associated with (attribute) (79)  |           |
|---|-----------|
| Term  | ConceptId |
| Arteriolar nephritis (disorder)   | 16147005  |
| Autosomal dominant progressive nephropathy with hypertension (disorder) | 703310005 |
| Benign arteriolar nephrosclerosis (disorder)                            | 62240004  |
| Benign hypertensive heart AND renal disease (disorder)                  | 66052004  |
| Benign hypertensive heart disease (disorder)                            | 36221001  |

# SNOMED Activity

<http://browser.ihtsdotools.org/> Use the US Release

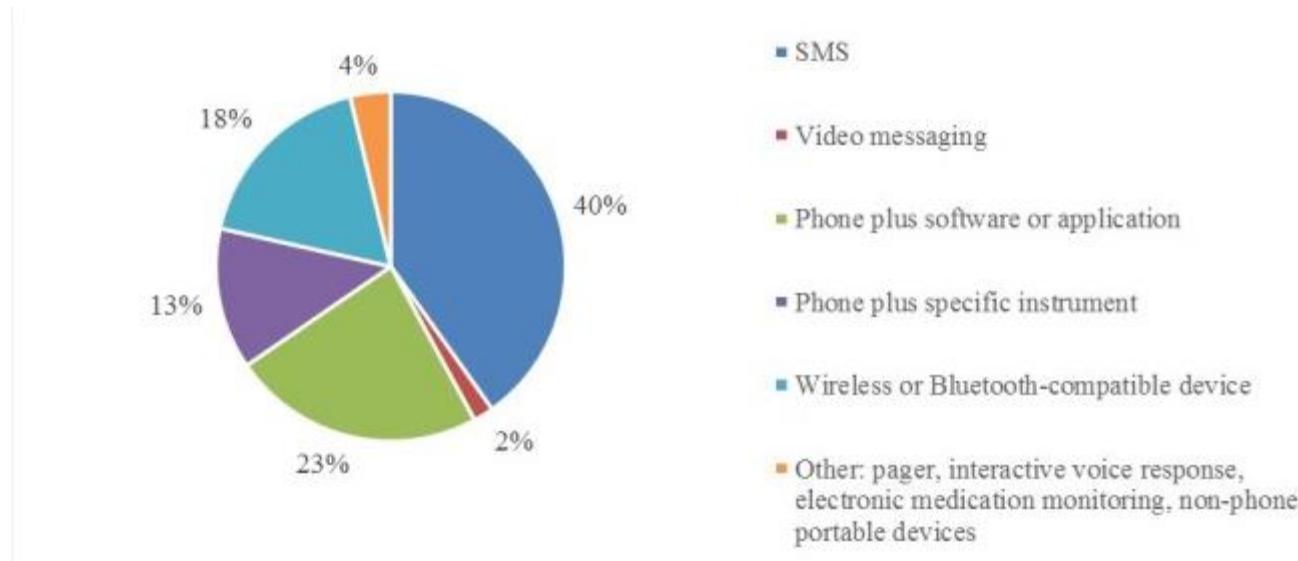
Search for term *Diabetes Type 2* and select the response with SCTID 44054006  
What is the parent of this term?

How many children are found for the record in the previous question?

What is the finding site? (Note: If none is shown, toggle to the *Inferred* tab.)

From the refsets tab click *Open maps for this concept*. What is the mapping for Diabetic oculopathy associated with type 2 diabetes mellitus to ICD-9? Type or copy and paste the relevant ICD-9 code below with no leading or trailing spaces.

# mHealth Data Spectrum



# mHealth Data Challenges

# Volume

## Accuracy

# Syntax/Semantics

## Interoperability

# Integration

## Meaning



# Open mHealth

```
{  
    "blood_glucose": {  
        "unit": "mg/dL",  
        "value": 128  
    },  
    "effective_time_frame": {  
        "time_interval": {  
            "start_date_time": "2015-02-05T07:25:00Z",  
            "end_date_time": "2015-06-05T07:25:00Z"  
        }  
    },  
    "temporal_relationship_to_meal": "fasting",  
    "temporal_relationship_to_sleep": "on waking",  
    "descriptive_statistic": "average"  
}
```

# Challenges

Semantic Interoperability

EHR/PHR Usability and Efficiency

Privacy/Security/Trust

# Levels of Interoperability

**Simple Transport:** The exchange of data from one HIT system to another *without the ability of the recipient system to interpret that data*. A basic example is a primary care physician's office printing/faxing a clinical summary report from their EHR and giving it to a patient to take to a specialist physician they have referred that patient to.

**Structured Transport:** *Based on its location in that structure* the receiving system knows that a particular data element is the patient's birthdate or gender or that a particular number is the result of a test to measure their kidney function. V2 messaging is an example and most clinical labs use it for the purposes we described earlier.

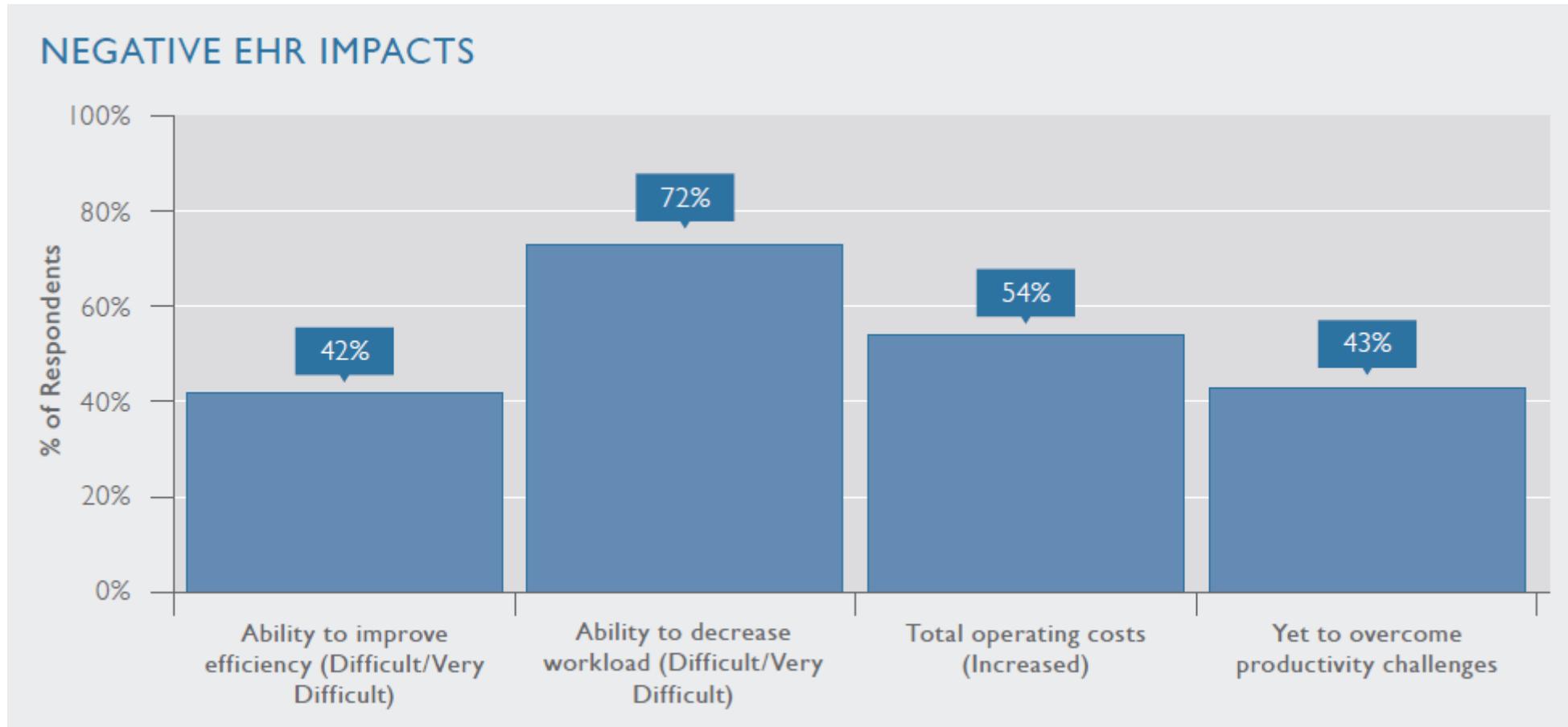
**Semantic Transport:** Using data exchange and coding standards in an agreed upon manner so that, for example, a recipient system can accurately interpret the data it receives. Given this level of interoperability, the recipient system should be able to *appropriately trigger clinical decision support suggestions using data gathered from various other systems*.

# EHR/PHR Usability

Responding "Agree" or "Strongly agree" to the following:

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Our electronic health record improves my job satisfaction  | 35 |
| In our practice, our electronic health record improves the quality of care                                       | 61 |
| Our electronic health record requires me to perform tasks that other staff could perform                         | 61 |
| Using an electronic health record enhances patient-doctor communication that is not face-to-face                 | 54 |
| When I am providing clinical care, our electronic health record slows me down                                    | 43 |
| Our electronic health record improves my job satisfaction  | 38 |
| Using an electronic health record interferes with patient-doctor communication during face-to-face clinical care | 36 |
| I receive an overwhelming number of electronic messages in this practice   | 31 |
| Based on my experience to date, I prefer using paper medical records instead of electronic records               | 18 |

# American EHR Survey



# Praxis

Evolution

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**Hypercholesterolemia - c**

«Mary» is a «32 y.o.» y.o. «female» who is using the diary provided. She has not used the diary that as I recommended. She reports no problems with the medication given. She is not taking her medication. She states is no longer eating eggs, diary, or red meat products. She is taking the [Pravachol] medication as indicated. Patient claims to exercise []x a week. Her Body mass index is «21.9». Her last weight taken on «09/29/2014» was «140» lbs. Patient latest LDL was «300» mg/dl taken on «09/28/2014». Previously, her LDL had been «180» drawn on «07/17/2011»

labs\_ldl.date(1)»

**Essential Hypertension - retinopathy**

She continues to be asymptomatic. She continues to be almost asymptomatic. She is taking

# Semantic Interoperability Standards or ML?



# PHR Usability

Getting data into the PHR

- Multiple Providers

- Data Blocking

Understanding the data

Sharing the data according to individual choices

# PHR Usability Activity (Optional)

Create your own Health Vault account

Upload data from the CCD I'll provide you

Go through the data sharing sequence and check “Share only the types of information selected below”

Could your parents do that?

# Privacy/Security/Trust



In a 2008 Markle Foundation survey of 1,580 adults, 77% reported privacy concerns related to misuse of personal data by marketers, 56% expressed concerns about misuse by employers and 53% had similar concerns about insurers.

**Privacy:** Data is only used for patient authorized purposes

**Security:** Data is only accessed by persons with authorization

**Trust:** Assuring that data is shared only with persons who are actually who they say they are

**No purely technical solutions.**

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