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- State designated HIE
  - Public Health Reports – ELR/Syndromic/Immunizations
- School-based health center data coordination
- Regional Extension Center
- Patient-centered medical home
- Health Promotions
- ED Registry for avoidable visits
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• EHR
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# EHR Systems: Goals and Benefits

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<th>Goals</th>
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| Improve quality and safety of patient care | • Enhance care coordination  
• Enhance patient safety by reducing errors  
• Improve clarity of data entered |
| Increase healthcare efficiency and effectiveness | • Facilitate electronic information-sharing across providers, payers, and state lines  
• Enable data-sharing among healthcare providers using state HIEs and the Nationwide Health Information Network (NwHIN) |
| Reduce healthcare costs due to efficiency | • Reduce paperwork and improve efficiencies  
• Reduce duplicate testing and delays |
| Reduce health disparities           | • Proactively target populations at risk for poor health outcomes and implement evidence-based practices |
In 2014, DHH and Medicaid created a Data Sharing Agreement

Purpose as described:
“(DHH and Medicaid) will exchange Medicaid claims and eligibility data and public health data and statistics. This exchange of information will assist in the administration and evaluation of Louisiana Medicaid and public health services...This agreement will define and permit the reporting exchange between BHSF and OPH to address the provision of personal health services, as well as other core public health functions.”

Relevant Sections include:
• Justification for Access (Federal and State Requirements)
• Benefits (for each discrete partner as well as mutual benefits)
• Description of Data
• Method of Access/Transfer and Regulatory Compliance
• Disclosure and Custodial Responsibility
• Listing of Persons Authorized (noting that this has to be continually amended)
Medicaid claims have helped so far with:

- Elective delivery
- ADHD over-prescription
- Diabetes rates
- Chronic disease work, including 1305
- Ryan White comparison for correct billing
- Reproductive Health Titles
OPH has helped Medicaid so far with:

• Data speaking to a number of HEDIS measures for the MCOs from the Parish Health Clinic data
• HIV Viral Load Suppression measures
• GIS technical assistance
• Network adequacy
OPH / Medicaid Joint Ventures:

- IAPD – coordinated activities
- Support for EHR Coordinator
- ED registry both LaHIE and through Syndromic feed
- Open discussion for covered services at PHUs
- Joint CEA with Quality Forum
The Data Sharing Agreement was the part that took longest

- Multiple Programs/Centers in OPH participated in its development
- Legal was involved
- Negotiations weren’t contentious, only detailed

Getting used to the arrangement took a bit!

- Old habits die hard
- Behavioral Health sharing hasn’t been explored by OPH yet
General Challenges in Louisiana

• LaHIE is not all providers
• There is more than one other HIE in LA – GNOHIE for one
• We have just obtained legislation that allows ED and Ambulatory Care
• APCD a little ways off yet
• HIE data is not yet shared with Public Health except for MU reporting
Lessons Learned:

• Leadership support is critical on all sides

• Sharing data can lead to sharing of other resources/HIT

• The partnership led to stronger link with the Quality Forum

• All the partners have strong interest in better patient care, reducing costs, and improving population health outcomes
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