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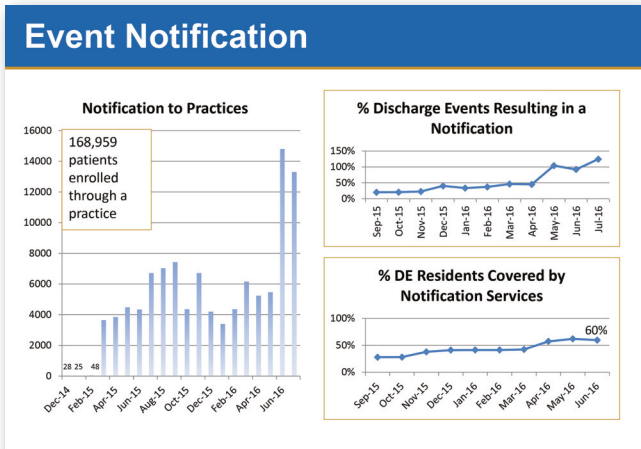
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A Newsletter from the Delaware Health Information Network



Making Great Strides with Grant Funding

Federal Funds Help DHIN Reach New Audiences




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In July of 2015, the Delaware Health Information Network (DHIN) received a significant federal grant to support the adoption of health information technology and health information exchange across the continuum of care, particularly among eligible providers and the previously unreached long-term post-acute care and behavioral health communities.

In recognition of the progress DHIN has made to date and the potential to expand these efforts, we're pleased to share that the Office of the National Coordinator has granted DHIN an additional \$625,000 to support interstate healthcare information exchange efforts.

This funding will support DHIN's execution of a partnership with southern New Jersey's health information exchange, NJSHINE, as well as preliminary work with HSX in southeastern Pennsylvania.

As healthcare knows no boundaries, neither should the exchange of healthcare information. Along with facilitating interstate collaboration, the grant will also support expanding the use of Admission-Transfer-Discharge (ADT) data by both Meaningful Use-eligible and non-eligible populations. ADTs are used to trigger notifications in DHIN's event notification system, providing alerts to care teams when a patient has a hospital or urgent care encounter at a DHIN-participating facility.

A big focus of this grant will be on enabling more urgent care centers, surgical centers and large practices with ADT feeds to DHIN. Organizations that are interested in leveraging the grant program to send ADTs to DHIN or to set up event notifications for their practices should contact their DHIN relationship manager.

By the Numbers


The total number of DHIN data senders inches closer to 30 statewide, with the addition of Limestone Open MRI in New Castle County.

Health IT's Go-To Guide



The Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) for Health Information Technology has developed a Health IT Playbook to help healthcare providers get the most out of their technology investments. Of particular interest is the glossary, which can help with digesting the alphabet soup of acronyms in healthcare today! Check it out on dhin.org/resources.

Interoperability Standards

 In other ONC news, interested parties may review the draft [2017 Interoperability Standards](#). Public comments are due to ONC by 5 pm on October 24th.

Staying Social

Like. Follow. Tweet. Share. **Connect with DHIN.**



Like our enrollment numbers, DHIN's social media presence is growing! In fact, we aren't aware of another HIE with as much of a following on Facebook - thanks to all those who have "liked" us!



Security Matters

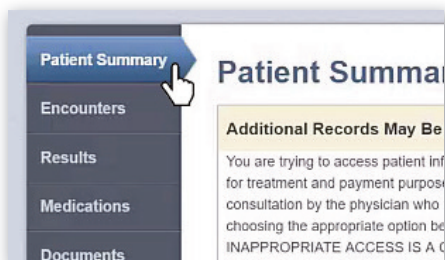
Over the course of the next year, DHIN will undergo an extensive security management program, the HITRUST Common Security Framework certification.

With cyber threats and organized targeting of healthcare data on the rise, the HITRUST CSF has become the “gold standard” for measuring and certifying security management programs.

Learn more about HITRUST certification and why it's important [here](#).

Tech Tips

To help practices with creating Continuity of Care Documents (CCDs) in the Community Health Record, DHIN has developed this [video](#) and [instructions](#).



This functionality is an important step in ensuring clinical notes are shared with members of a patient's healthcare team to assist with ongoing care and to create a more complete healthcare record.

Practices that are leveraging EMR technology may also be able to deliver care summaries automatically from their EMR to the Community Health Record. The implementation costs for enabling this functionality are likely covered by grant dollars recently awarded to DHIN. Practices sending their CCDs to DHIN will also receive a regular report showing that other practices have viewed their CCDs, which will help the practice attest for Meaningful Use Stage 2. Providing this information to the Community Health Record also helps with transitions of care and relieves administrative burden on staff. Please contact your DHIN relationship manager to learn more about how your practice can benefit from this grant-supported program.

For answers to commonly asked questions or technical problems, be sure to visit our Tech Tips page on the DHIN website, under Resources. Included are links to commonly viewed instructional videos, which may help you solve occasional Community Health Record challenges. As always, please feel free to call our Help Desk during business hours at (302) 480-1770.

On the Horizon

Development of DHIN Personal Health Record

As we shared in a previous issue of the [DHIN Dialogue](#), one of our initiatives for FY2017 is the development of a personal health record (PHR) product for consumers.



After a rigorous process to select the right vendor to develop this product, we're pleased to announce that DHIN will be partnering with MedicaSoft to create a cloud-based PHR. The contract has recently been finalized, so stay tuned for updates through the production and launch process. The new consumer portal is scheduled to go live in January 2017.



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