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Arkansas Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics Annual Education Conference

September 6-7, 2024
Robinson Center
Little Rock, AR

UAMS 2024 Arkansas Trauma Rehab Symposium

September 12, 2024
Embassy Suites Hotel
Little Rock, AR

2024 UAMS Stroke Conference

September 13, 2024
UAMS Campus
Little Rock, AR

2024 Arkansas Nursing Convention

September 26-27, 2024
ASU Campus
Jonesboro, AR



HIT News

Enhancing Patient Care and System Efficiency: Integrating Behavioral Health with SHARE HIE

In today's healthcare landscape, the integration of behavioral health clinics and hospitals with Health Information Exchanges (HIEs) such as SHARE (State Health Alliance for Records Exchange) is pivotal. This integration facilitates a more comprehensive, coordinated, and efficient healthcare system. Behavioral health (BH) clinics, hospitals, and primary care providers often deal with overlapping patient populations. Their integration with HIEs can significantly enhance patient outcomes, care coordination, and overall healthcare quality.

Case Study: Kids for the Future, Arisa Health and Behavioral Health Services of Arkansas

The integration of Kids for the Future, Arisa Health and Behavioral Health Services of Arkansas with SHARE HIE serves as a prime example of the benefits discussed. By connecting to SHARE HIE, these behavioral health providers have enhanced their ability to coordinate care with primary care providers, hospitals, and other specialists involved in their patients' care. This has led to improved patient outcomes, reduced hospital readmissions, and more efficient use of healthcare resources.

The integration of behavioral health clinics and hospitals with SHARE HIE represents a transformative advancement in healthcare delivery. By bridging gaps between different

sectors of healthcare, this integration enhances patient care and outcomes through comprehensive and coordinated treatment plans. It significantly reduces healthcare costs by eliminating redundant tests and procedures and ensures compliance with ever-evolving regulatory standards. Moreover, it fosters improved patient engagement by empowering individuals with more personalized and cohesive care.

As the healthcare industry continues to evolve towards integrated and patient-centered models, the role of HIEs like SHARE will become increasingly crucial. These systems not only facilitate better communication and collaboration among healthcare providers but also support the overall goal of delivering higher-quality, more efficient, and patient-focused care. The successful integration of behavioral health clinics and hospitals with SHARE HIE serves as a model for other regions and healthcare systems aiming to enhance their services and patient outcomes through advanced interoperability and data sharing.

For more information, visit

<https://sharearkansas.com/2024/08/05/enhancing-patient-care-and-system-efficiency-integrating-behavioral-health-with-share-hie/> or scan below.



Success Story

Metropolitan Emergency Medical Services (MEMS) Leads the Way in Arkansas with SHARE HIE Integration

Metropolitan Emergency Medical Services (MEMS) has become a trailblazer in the State of Arkansas by becoming the first Emergency Medical Services (EMS) provider to integrate their Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system with the State Health Alliance for Records Exchange (SHARE) Health Information Exchange (HIE). This pioneering move involves the integration of MEMS's ESO EHR system with SHARE HIE, marking a significant advancement in healthcare interoperability and setting a benchmark for other EMS providers in the state.

MEMS's decision to integrate their ESO EHR with SHARE HIE demonstrates a forward-thinking approach to improving patient care and streamlining communication across various healthcare providers. This integration ensures that critical patient information collected by MEMS during emergency responses is seamlessly and securely shared with hospitals, clinics, primary care providers (PCPs), behavioral health (BH) providers, and other members of the patient care team in real-time.

The integration of MEMS's ESO EHR with SHARE bring numerous benefits, including:

- Improved Patient Outcomes
- Streamlined Workflows
- Enhanced Communication

"Integrating our ESO EHR with SHARE HIE represents a significant milestone for MEMS and the broader healthcare community in Arkansas. This integration ensures that our emergency medical services are seamlessly connected with hospitals and other healthcare providers, enabling us to deliver the highest quality of care to our patients. We are proud to lead the way in this important initiative and are confident that it will serve as a model for others to enhance interoperability and patient outcomes across the state," said Greg Thompson, Executive Director of MEMS.

