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Health Information Exchanges (HIEs) are set up in various ways across the country here in Arkansas, SHARE is uniquely set up under the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH). The pandemic has highlighted the importance of integration between public health and HIEs, SHARE is currently supplying ADH with real-time clinical data to assist with disease outbreaks and management. In return, SHARE is supplying providers and care teams with pertinent COVID information such as vaccination reports and positivity reports. Although the meaningful use program has come to an end, there are still opportunities for funding to support data sharing.

Letter from the Director

Providers participating in risk-based contracts can obtain incentives for sharing data to SHARE and the new MIPS Promoting Interoperability Performance category measure allows for an extra 40 points for bi-directional data exchange. It's easy to prioritize other initiatives during times like this, don't forget real-time data sharing is more important than ever.



Sincerely,
Anne Santifer
HIT Executive Director



SHARE Welcomes Our New Connections!



Ouachita County Medical Center

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Nephrology Associates, P.A.



HIT News

Helena Regional Medical Center Expands Collaboration with SHARE

Helena Regional Medical Center, a community provider, serving the Mississippi Delta area and its residents has gone live as a data provider with the State Health Alliance for Records Exchange (SHARE). Helena Regional, a 155-bed facility with emergency care, medical, surgical, rehabilitation, and women's services, is sending real-time comprehensive data to the statewide health information exchange.

As Arkansas's statewide health information exchange, SHARE is an electronic network for hospitals, physicians, medical providers, and others to safely exchange clinical results and reports. This data is securely stored in SHARE's longitudinal record database and shared for treatment, payment or operational need.

While more than 80% of Arkansas' hospital facilities have connected with SHARE, Helena Regional Medical Center on Medhost EMR is its newest member. Helena Regional Medical and its associated clinics on Athena EMR are delivering Admission, Discharge, and Transfers (ADTs) for patient event notifications, lab results, radiology reports, discharge summaries, and summary of care documents (C-CDAs) to improve health outcomes among patients in the Delta.

"Including information from Helena Regional Medical Center in SHARE will help to create a more complete Health Record," according to Justin Villines, HIT Policy Director, SHARE.

"We believe that coordinating and collaborating with other local health care providers will improve patient outcomes and help enhance people's well-being and quality of life," said Amy Rice, Chief Executive Officer, Helena Regional Medical Center. "We are pleased to share critical patient information with SHARE to support better continuity of care."

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Success Story



Arkansas Surgical Hospital has Successfully Connected to SHARE HIE Network.

SHARE, the State Health Alliance for Records Exchange, recently announced that Arkansas Surgical Hospital has successfully connected to its health information exchange (HIE) network. Arkansas' statewide health information exchange and Arkansas Surgical Hospital, a physician-owned hospital, now offer patients and physicians with centralized medical information.



The connection of Arkansas Surgical Hospital's MEDHOST electronic medical record system with SHARE's HIE greatly expands its capabilities to coordinate patient care quickly and efficiently with community providers throughout Arkansas. When a patient is hospitalized for orthopedic and spine surgery or has a medical test performed at the Arkansas Surgical Hospital, important health information is electronically recorded and automatically available to the patient's other care providers on the SHARE network.

This can include laboratory results (including COVID-19), radiology results, transcription notes, and vital information from admission and discharge. This immediate communication will help the patient's care team better address his or her medical needs, which can prevent repeat hospitalizations and redundant testing.

"Arkansas Surgical Hospital is excited to be a part of the SHARE network. Their vast health information system will eventually allow our patients to connect with the resources that they need," says Trevor Bates, CIO, Arkansas Surgical Hospital. "A core tenet of our mission is to achieve the best outcomes for our patients, and we are confident that this partnership advances that priority."