ABOUT MISSOURI HEALTH CONNECTION

Missouri Health Connection (MHC) is a private non-profit providing one of the largest statewide health information exchange networks. With 70+ hospitals (including Missouri's large health systems) and 350+ participating clinics and community health centers, MHC's network enables thousands of health care providers to quickly and securely access patient health records to better enable treatment of their patients.

Over 5 million patients have given written consent to share their information on the MHC network. The success of the MHC network results in over 125,000 queries per day.

Contact MHC for Next Steps

Because every health care provider has unique needs, EHRs and budgets, MHC can help you evaluate the best services for your clinic or hospital. Contact MHC to review your technical capabilities and work to find the most affordable solutions. Pricing is determined by type of service, the size of the organization, the number of licenses for authorized personnel and the technological capabilities of the current EHR.

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MEANINGFUL USE SERVICES

MHC is assisting hospitals and providers to achieve Stage 2 Meaningful Use requirements for electronic health information exchange and to prepare for Stage 3. Stage 2 requirements include electronically incorporating structured laboratory results, as well as transmitting patient care summaries to support care transitions across unaffiliated providers, settings and EHR systems. MHC's health information exchange network can satisfy the following Meaningful Use core objectives:

Providers

- Provide an electronic summary care record for patients when transitioning or referring to another setting of care or provider of care (to meet Transition of Care requirement).

Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals

- Incorporate clinical lab/test results into Certified EHR Technology as structured data.

- Provide an electronic summary care record for patients when transitioning or referring to another setting of care or provider of care (to meet Transition of Care requirement).

What Data Gets Exchanged?

Summaries of care which are safely and securely shared across our community often contain the following types of clinical information, including:

Demographics	Lab Results
Allergies	Encounters
Problem Lists	Image Reports
Diagnoses	Immunizations
Medications	Patient Consent

INTEROPERABILITY SERVICES

MHC CareMail is a secure electronic email platform for sending and receiving Protected Health Information. MHC CareMail encrypts all messages and attachments and sends them directly to a secure inbox. MHC CareMail messages can be used to communicate referrals and clinical records between EHR systems and health care providers. MHC can also integrate directly into your EHR for single sign on.

MHC CareNet provides a patient's real-time comprehensive medical information at the point of care. The query-based exchange network platform connects disparate EHR systems, giving clinicians a summary and aggregated record of patient care from all providers who use MHC CareNet.

MHC CareView allows clinicians with or without an EHR system to view patients' health records from all providers who use MHC CareNet. This web-based uni-directional platform allows providers to view health records but does not allow providers to contribute data to the patients' health records. It is a "view only" platform. The consolidated record may then be printed or scanned into the providers' EHR.

WHY BE A PART OF MHC?

- **Improves interoperability so** you can work within your familiar application environment and preferred workflow, yet still contribute patient data to and access patient data from MHC and other providers that are interoperable with MHC.

- **Strengthens patient-centered, quality health care** by providing more accurate and complete health records, accessible directly within an EHR system or via a secure web portal. You gain a more comprehensive view of your patients information at your fingertips in real time.

- **Reduces risk of adverse events** and over utilization of medical services by providing a patient's baseline data, medication history and allergy information.

- **Expedites the provider referral process** and coordinated care transitions with the ability to securely send clinical care documents, discharge instructions and other records to any health care provider.

- **Reduces staff time and expense by** providing clinicians access to their patients' community health records through a central point of connectivity instead of having to collect patient information by fax, mail or phone calls.

- **Eliminates or reduces the need to manage multiple, costly point-to-point interfaces** with other providers, labs, radiology and public health agencies.

- **Assists with quality improvement measures** and reporting by consolidating to patient's clinical record across multiple providers.

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