

Electronic Health Record (EHR) Fact Sheet

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The EHR Viewer is a secure website developed for Saskatchewan Health Care providers that enables access to patient information regardless of where an individual seeks care or where they live in the province. The Electronic Health Record Viewer will continue to evolve and we will always add new features and elements that contribute to improved patient care.

EHR Benefits

Patients benefit when health providers have more timely access to patient information in order to make care decisions. However, clinical information is often located in many different locations.

The eHR provides access to:

- Clinical documents, including laboratory test results and medical imaging reports
- Medication information, summarized from community pharmacy data
- Chronic disease management information
- Immunizations
- Clinical interactions, which include acute care admission, discharge and transfer summary
- Standardized operating reports

Benefits from accessing all this information from one website include:

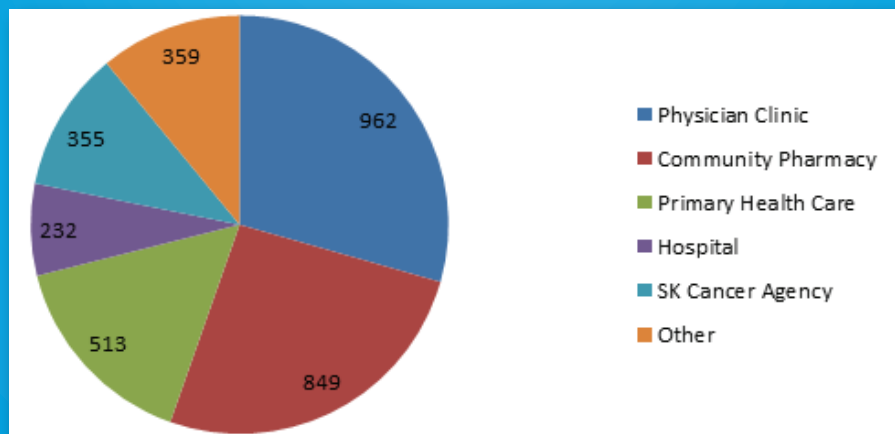
- Duplication of tests is reduced
- Extra administration tasks are no longer needed
- Health care providers have access to a broader range of information which may help reduce asking patients to repeat their story – often many times

2014 Statistics

- 57 million lab results are available and are growing at 1.5 million a month.
- Almost 12 million lab results are sent directly to 1200 clinicians.
- There are approximately 850,000 direct accesses to lab results in the EHR.
- Since October 25, 170,000 medical imaging reports have been created with a two month average growth rate of 60,000.
- There are nearly 8.1 million clinical encounter events with an average growth rate of 610,000 per month.
- There are currently 7.2 million immunization records and this is growing at 58,000 per month.
- 38 million pharmacy dispenses growing at 1.4 million per month.
- In December, 1.1 million pieces of information were accessed through EHR services.

EHR Users

As of December 31, 2014, the EHR had 3300 registered users who can access information in a wide variety of settings such as medical clinics, pharmacies, hospitals and the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency. Users are comprised of physicians, pharmacists, nurses, nurse practitioners and other health care providers.



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