## HIT & Electronic Medical Records Information Technology at Cambridge Health Alliance



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## Agenda

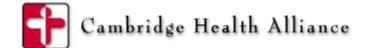
- Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) Overview
- Information Technology at CHA
- Intersection of Strategy, Operations and IT Solutions
- Discussion/Questions

## Cambridge Health Alliance History

- Created in 1996 with the merger of two Boston-area hospitals - Cambridge City Hospital and Somerville Hospital;
   Acquired Whidden Hospital in Everett, MA in 2001
- Operates a network of 20 plus primary care and specialty locations
- Places special emphasis on preventive care and in serving the area's most vulnerable and diverse population (Safety Net, Disproportionate Care /DSH)
- Regional, academic healthcare system: only remaining public health system in Massachusetts

# Overview of Cambridge Health Alliance: Integrated Healthcare System

- Hospital: 3 campuses with 24-hour Emergency Services:
- Community-based Primary Care and Mental Health Services:
- Public Health
- CHA Foundation
- CHAPO-CHA Physicians Organization (Medical Services Organization only)
- Teaching affiliations with:
  - Harvard Medical School, including innovative longitudinal 3<sup>rd</sup> year integrated clerkship
  - Tufts Univ. School of Medicine
  - Harvard School of Public Health Teaching Affiliate
- Residency Programs



## FY 12 Snapshot

Total System Operating Budget:	\$810 M
Delivery System Operating Budget (Hosp & MD):	\$543 M
Number of Beds (M/S, Critical Care, OB, Psych):	264
Total Discharges:	13,345
Average Daily Census:	177
Number of Outpatient Locations:	28
Total Outpatient Visits:	664,875
Total Emergency Dept. Visits:	98,937
Number of Employed FTEs:	
- Hospital	2,921
- CHAPO	315
Cambridge Health Alliance	

## Regional Safety Net Provider Critical Government Funding Stream

- Largest proportional provider of care to low income individuals in the State
- Care for uninsured patients from over 230 MA communities: 3 times greater Medicaid and low income public payer mix and 4.4 times greater uninsured care than statewide acute hospital average
- Many patients travel to overcome access-to-care barriers (uninsured or under-insured, culturally and linguistically appropriate care)
- 40% of patients speak language other than English

## Safety Net Provider — continued

- Leading state-wide acute hospital provider of inpatient psychiatry
  - 11% of all statewide inpatient mental health stays
  - 27% of all statewide mental health stays for the uninsured
  - greater than 30% of our patients and 53% of our mental health patients come from outside our 7-town primary service area
- Rely on ADEQUATE SUPPORT from the State and Federal government to provide this care (Supplemental Revenues; "DSH" funds).

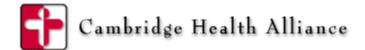
## CHA's FY 13 Strategic Focus Areas

- Develop and implement multi year plan for financial sustainability
- Improve patient experience of care
- Complete strategic partnership/clinical affiliation
- Continue investment in transformation:
  - Clinical practice transformation to Patient Centered Medical Home model of care
  - Ability to accept alternative means of financing through development and investment in Accountable Care Organization infrastructure



## IT Guiding Principles

- 1. Support Alliance strategic directions and key initiatives
- Use systems and technology to enable change, reduce waste, enhance productivity, improve efficiency and facilitate patient safety and centeredness
- Leverage existing investment in technology and applications
- Introduce new technology that offers a strategic and cost advantage; that is flexible, stable, and increases access to data
- 5. Partner with administrative and clinical leadership
- Continuously improve overall IT performance, leadership, and service

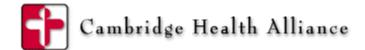


## IT Guiding Principles - continued

- 7. Continuously improve IT staff satisfaction: provide career progression opportunities, satisfying and challenging work and a supportive work environment
- 8. Utilize web based/rapid development for small to medium applications to complement major vendor reliance
- 9. Implement intuitive, user friendly design/tools
- 10. Provide accessible data that is consonant with the Baldrige principle of being a data driven organization
- 11. Leverage system integration tools which support interfacing key systems to enhance clinical data flow, improve demographic data and streamline billing

# Oversight- Information Technology Steering Committee (ITSC) Objectives

- Ensure that Information Technology efforts are in sync with Cambridge Health Alliance priorities, its mission and goals
- Provide executive sponsorship of projects
- Ensure that there is a high degree of coordination between clinical, business and information technology departments
- Provide oversight and/or approve Information Technology projects of a moderate to large scale
- Help resolve project priority conflicts
- Review proposals for non-funded requests and assist in obtaining contingency funding where appropriate
- Review annual project budgets (capital and operating) and ensure projects meet Cambridge Health Alliance's needs
- Review IT service metrics and monitor performance improvements

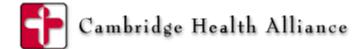


## CHA – IT Prioritization Challenges

- Multiple demands, constrained funds
- Complexity of system interfaces and integration
- Clinical vs. administrative system needs
- No new programs, services without IT involvement/assessment of resources
- Management of human resources and workload: Intense local competition for Epic trained resources

# CHA's EHR – Strategic IT Investment and the Operational Implications

- Electronic Health Record Deployment
  - Ongoing provider and staff training on application-ongoing changes
  - Workflow changes
  - Physical plant changes
  - Job responsibility changes/Labor impact
  - Provider time and engagement for ongoing application changes
  - New process supports
  - Equipment/devices infection control, ergonomics, general usage, security
  - Patient use and expectations
  - Issues of integration for unique services (Dental, Elder Service Plan, Occupational Health)



## FY'13 IT Support of System Strategy

- Leverage EHR investment
- Achieve Meaningful Use Requirements Stage 1 audits and prepare for Stage 2, Quality Measures and Objectives
- HIE
- Invest in Robust Data Analytics & Reporting (business intelligence software) to support:
  - Achievement of regulatory, payer and quality reporting requirements, including Clinical Decision Support
- Mobile and Cloud Computing
- ICD-10 Conversion
- Patient self management



## CHA – Strategic IT Investment and Operational Implications ACO & PCMH Development

- Shift to managing a population means need for whole new data set – enrolled members/patients total claims experience
- Development of a HIPAA compliant data repository shared between payer and ACO (delivery system, MD group or other)
- Analytics to model cost and utilization at the population, patient and system level over time; and to assess new contract proposals, tiered network development to manage cost
- New reporting requirements and development of regular scorecards for use by executive team and at practice level to share cost and quality and outcomes trends
- NCQA PCMH Accreditation reporting required for panel definitions, population health outcomes including chronic care management results

# ACO Development: Population Health Interventions

- Creation of data repository using EMR/claims data
  - Collaboration with Community Based Partners
    - Mapping of all patients by address with smoking behavior identified on EMR problem list
    - Identification of "hot spot" areas in communities served by CHA
    - Collaboration and linkage with City Housing Authority to impact behavior and practice, provide group interventions at Housing Authority sites, build referral lists, etc.
  - Identification of Employee Wellness Needs
    - Use of claims data/diagnoses to identify service utilization to understand population health needs of employee population
    - Development of associated smoking cessation, exercise programs, self management programs to reduce days lost at work, reduce premium costs for employer



# Multilingual Services/Patient Services Dispatching

### Operational Problem:

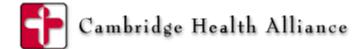
- \$6m annual budget; 150 interpreters; 3 campuses & 12 health centers; 24x7 access needs
- Regulatory requirement to assure linguistically appropriate care
- Unsustainable cost growth; need for improved telephone access

### Solution:

- Development and deployment of web based interpreter request and dispatching system
- Integrated voice recognition application to allow interpreters to complete service call
- Deployment of dual handle phones for 3 way conversation with remote interpreters
- Automatic rollover to contracted language services as needed if on site capacity in full use
- Deployment of video interpreting system-wide supports efficient use of remote pool of interpreters

### Results:

- Tracking of interpreter productivity; type and duration of services
- Ability to service more calls with fewer staff
- Application has been expanded to support system-wide transport requests

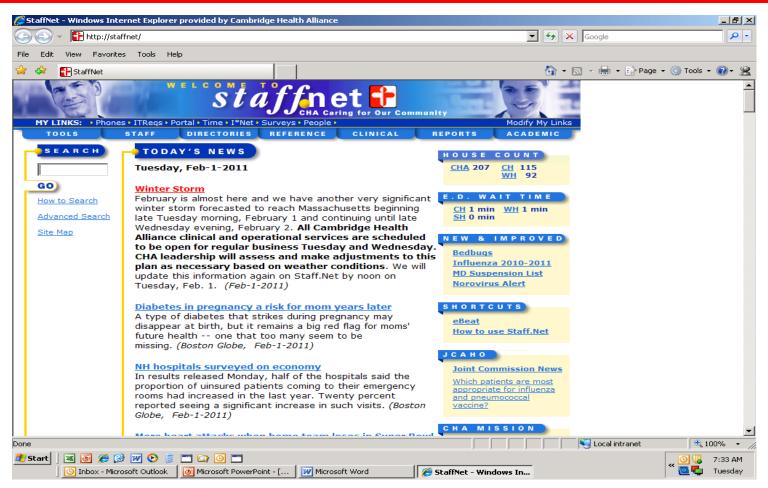


### Patient Engagement:

- Many system-wide efforts leveraging the EHR in improving quality and patient care while also meeting Meaningful use requirements
- Implementation of multiple solutions via a patient portal:
  - Patients documentation of their own glucose, blood pressure, peak flow and weight readings in flow sheets that are integrated in the electronic medical record
  - Automatic release of specific lab results
  - Preventive care and PHQ9 questionnaires
  - Prescriptions renewal, request medical advice and appointments
  - Patients can download relevant pieces of their medical record to USB or personal computer



# CHA – IT Solutions to Operational Demands: CHA Intranet





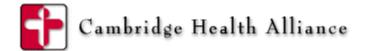
# CHA – IT Solutions to Operational Demands: Data Portal



# CHA – IT Solutions to Operational Demands: Meaningful Use Tracking Tool



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Total Clinic	456	46	0	34	2	10.09%	17.54%



# CHA – IT Solutions to Operational Demands: Meaningful Use Tracking Tool



#### Meaningful Use - Quality Measures for EP's

Report Opdated: 11728/2012

#### Report Data 8/18/2012 - 11/15/2012

0013 - Hypertension: Blood Pressure Measurement

0028 - Preventive Care and Screening Measure: Tobacco Use Assessment/Tobacco Cessation

**0421** - Adult Weight Screening and Follow-Up (above 18 years)

#### Alternate Core Set

**0024** - Weight Assessment and Counseling for children and Adolescents

0038 - Childhood Immunization Status

0041 - Preventive Care and Screening: Influenza

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0002 - Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis

0004- Initiation and Engagement of Alcohol and other Drug

Dependence Treatment

0018 - Controlling High Blood Pressure

0027 - Discussing Tobacco Use Cessation Medications and Strategies

0036 - Use of appropriate Meds for Asthma (Ages 5-50)

0047 - Asthma Pharmacologic Therapy

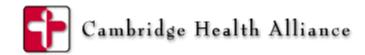
0059 - Diabetes HbA1c Poor Control

0105 - Anti-Depressant Medication Management

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1-Expected (Year 1 - 90 Day

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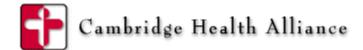


## IT Solutions to Operational Demands means Reliance on IT

- Multiple drivers for IT-Operations planning:
  - Data/analytics
    - Marketing/business development
    - Financial planning/assessment
  - Applications for specific service line/departmental core support
  - Safety and Quality infrastructure
  - Communications
  - Regulatory compliance
  - Integration/networking with external parties



## Discussion/Questions





HARRISHEALTH SYSTEM

### Common Sense Strategies for Uncommon Times



## Agenda

Overview Harris Health System
Integrating the Healthcare Delivery System
Today and Tomorrow's Challenges
Open Discussion



## Caring for Harris County, Texas

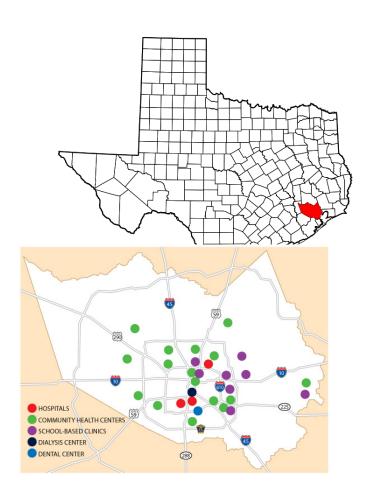
Population: 4,180,894 (2011)

Most populous in Texas

3rd most populous in U.S.

### 1.25 million uninsured

- Current: 311,000 unduplicated lives
- Projected: 375,000 unduplicated lives





### Who We Are



## Created by Harris County voters in November, 1965

- Safety Net Provider
- Serving Uninsured & underserved

### Our workforce

- 8,500 employees
- 4000 Physicians & Students
- \$1.2 billion annual budget

### Volumes (FY2013)

- Outpatient visits 1,742,429
- Hospital admissions 48,544
- Births (babies delivered) 6,643
- Emergency visits 173,651



## **Our Hospitals**



### Harris Health – Ben Taub Hospital

- 586 licensed beds
- Level I Trauma Center
- Only regional psychiatric emergency center
- Teaching hospital for Baylor College of Medicine



### Harris Health – LBJ Hospital

- 328 licensed beds
- First and busiest Level III Trauma Center in Texas
- Teaching hospital for UTHealth



### Harris Health – Quentin Mease Hospital

- CARF Accredited Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Geriatric skilled nursing



### **Ambulatory Care: Wellness & Prevention**

### 16 community health centers

Primary Care

7 school-based clinics

Dental center

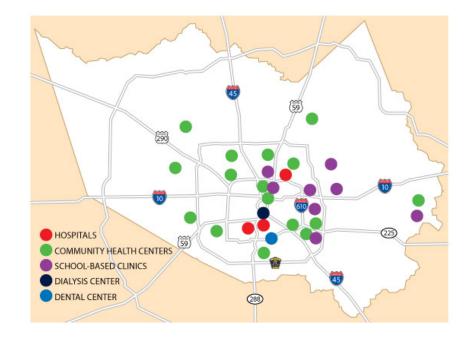
Dialysis center (22 stations)

15 homeless shelter clinics

5 mobile health units

Immunization and medical outreach programs

HIV/AIDS treatment center
3 specialty and diagnostic locations





# INTEGRATING THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM



### **EHR Vision**

Single electronic health record across continuum of care.

- Single source of truth
- Primary, Specialty, Acute, Sub-Acute
- Available across our system

Facilitate & coordinate access to care

Provide analytics for managing the health of our community and for process improvement



## Medical Records Before...





## Harris Health EHR Implementation Our Journey

Multi-phased, highly integrated approach



Base EHR - Clinical Repository

**Ambulatory EHR** 

**IP Clerk Order Entry** 



## **Epic Ambulatory EHR**

Physician Order Entry & Documentation

(100% Adoption)

Electronic Prescribing (e-Rx)

**Nurse Documentation** 

Clinical Decision Support

**Health Maintenance** 

My Health Patient Portal

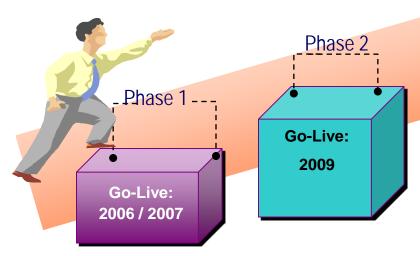
**Electronic Signatures** 

Information / Analytics



## Harris Health EHR Implementation Our Journey

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**IP Pharmacy** 

Epic Business (ADT, ASAP, & HB)

**eMAR** 



# **Epic Business System**

#### **Patient Access**

- Registration
- ADT (Admission, Discharge, Transfer)
- Enterprise wide appointment scheduling
- Emergency department system

#### **Patient Accounting**

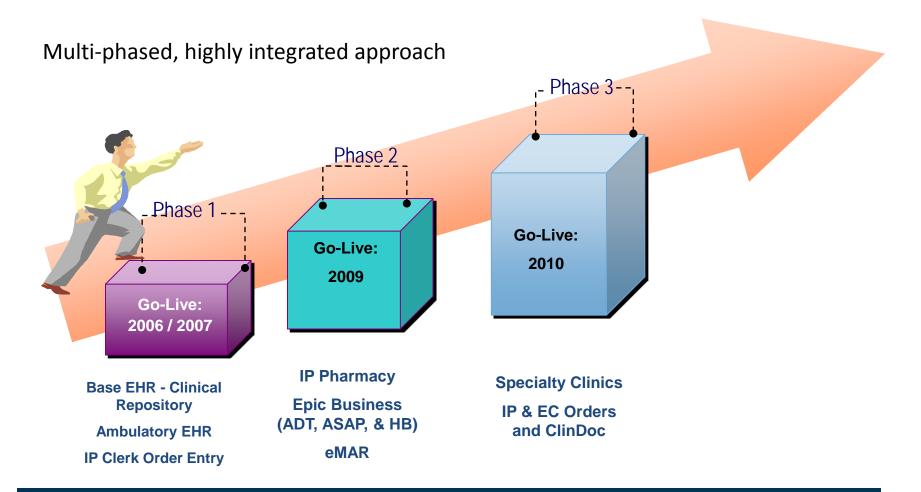
- Billing
- Collections & Follow-up
- Payments

#### Health Information Management

- Coding/Abstracting outpatient accounts
- Chart Deficiencies
- Chart Tracking charts for patients
- Release Of Information



# Harris Health EHR Implementation Our Journey





# **Epic Inpatient & EC EHR Projects**

**Epic Inpatient Pharmacy** 

Physician Order Entry & Documentation

Nurse Order Entry & Documentation

Allied Health Documentation

eMAR (Electronic Medication Administration Record)

**Electronic Signatures** 

Wireless Infrastructure

**Mobile Computing Devices** 



# COORDINATION OF CARE HARRIS COUNTY SAFETY NET



### Coordination of Care Within Harris Health

### Referral Management

- 306,163 Specialty Clinic Visits last year
- 21,369 Surgical Cases
  - 10,123 Outpatient Surgery Cases
  - 11,246 Inpatient Surgery Cases
- Referral Guidelines
- Case Management Support
- Enterprise Scheduling



# Coordination of Care With Affiliates

### Referral Management

- External requests and clinical records
- Interface to case management

#### Affiliate Read Access to EHR

- 10 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- County Jail

### **Extending Our EHR**

- Select affiliated local safety net organizations
  - Houston Healthcare for the Homeless
  - FQHC Denver Harbor



# Health Information Exchange

### Epic EHR to Epic EHR

- Comprehensive Medical Record Exchange
- Worldwide

### Non-Epic EHRs

- Continuity of Care Document Exchange
- Standard adopted by vast majority of EHR vendors

#### **Coming Soon**

Integration with local HIE (Greater Houston Health Connect)

### **Physician Adoption**

- Integrated into existing EHR
- Minimal workflow adjustments for care teams



### **Current EHR Status**

Live In All Hospitals & Outpatient Facilities

Virtually 100% Adoption

- > 3400 Physicians
- > 1200 Medical Students
- > 2300 Nurses
- > 2000 Allied health professionals

More than 5,000,000 Patient Visits Using CPOE & Clinical Documentation

# Accomplishments

#### Access

- Enterprise Scheduling
- Centralized patient appointment center
- Improved access
- Better information on community need

#### Medical Home Initiative

 Jan 2011: Clinics designated NCQA Medical Home

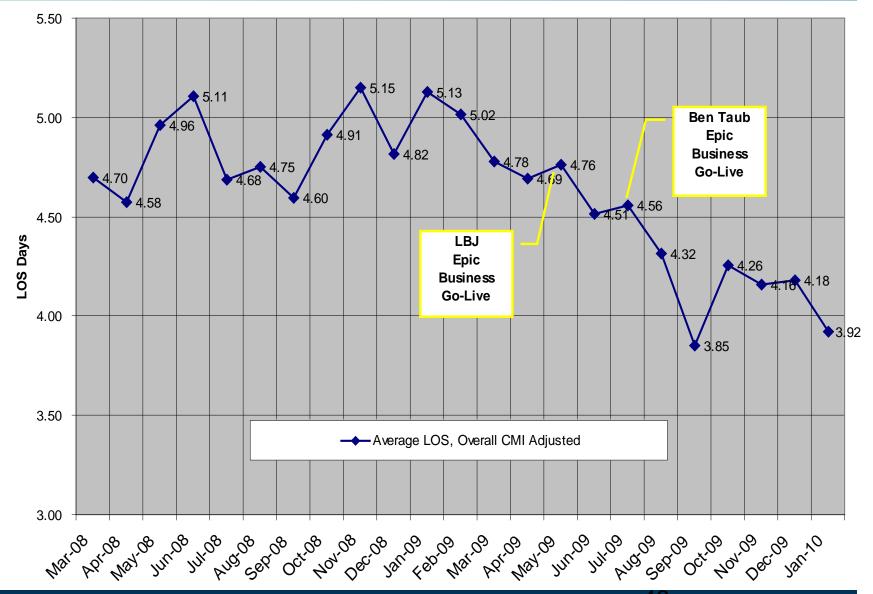
#### Quality

- Track/trend patient progress over a period of time
- Prevent duplication/unnecessary tests
- Standardize Care
- Disease management
  - Reduced admissions & EC visits
- Population Health Analytics
  - The ability to measure and manage





#### Epic Business Impact On HCHD's Case Mix Adjusted Length Of Stay



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# Epic: Projected Economic Benefit

### Clinical and Business Program Cost Estimate

\$72 Million

# Estimated Economic Benefit (5 Yr. Est.)

- Increase Net Patient Revenue : \$310 Million (+36%)
- Meaningful use: \$19.0
- Grant: \$600k (ARRA Homeless EMR)

### **Current 5 Year Estimated ROI**

\$329.6 Million (FY-10 thru FY-15)



# PATIENT IDENTIFICATION



### **Patient Name Statistics**

Total Person within Master Patient Index: 3,428,925

Same Last, First Name shared by 2 or more people: 249,213

Same Last, First Name shared by 5 or more people: 76,354

Same Last, First, Birth Date shared by 2 or more: 69,807

Same Last, First share by 500 or more people: 43,018

Patients named Maria Garcia: 2,488

# Sharing the same birth date: 231



### **Biometrics Driver**

Patient Safety

Fraud & Abuse

Reduce The Risk of Identity Theft

Reduce Duplicate Medical Records

Improve Patient Experience

- Accelerate Registrations / Check-in
- Decreases Patient Wait Time



### Biometric Scanner - Overview

Vendor: HT Systems

Uses infrared light wave to scan patient's palm.

False acceptance rate is one in 1.25 million

Integrated into our systems and workflow

Registration / Check-in / Procedure areas





# **Biometric Patient ID Statistics**

New Patients Enrolled	
Total Unique Patients Enrolled	268,417
2012 Unique Patients Enrolled	137,789
2013 YTD Unique Patients Enrolled	25,719
2013 YTD Avg Enrolls/day	330
<b>Patients Scanned and Matched</b>	
Total Patient Matches	1,334,378
2012 Patient Matches	929,974
2013 YTD Patient Matches	229,003
2013 YTD Avg Patient Matches/day	2,935

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# Biometric Patient Identification: Critical Success Factors

Integration Into Systems / Workflow

**Commitment To Patient Safety** 

No Palm Scan, No Service

# **Facility Preparation**

- Personnel Training & Support
- Patient Communication Materials



# **National Recognition**

# H&HN's 100 Most Wired Health Systems in USA

Hospital (2011 & 2012)

## HIMSS Analytics Stage 6 EHR Adoption

- Inpatient
- Ambulatory (2nd in the nation)



# Today and Tomorrow's Challenges

### **Population Health**

- Disease Management
- Predictive / Preventive Interventions
- Home Health Remote Monitoring

#### **Accountable Care**

- Coordinating / Outsourced Clinical Services
- Payer Model Implementation

#### Healthcare Reform

- 1115 Waiver DSRIP Projects
- ICD-10
- Meaningful Use Stage 2...



# Today and Tomorrow's Challenges

# Analytics

- Process Improvement
- KPIs for Business & Clinical Operations
- Specific analysis tools
  - Cost
  - Revenue
- Disease Management
- Predictive Modeling
- Benchmarking



# **DISCUSSION**