



An Overview of Health IT @ Kaiser Permanente

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Topics

Our History, Model and Mission

Transforming Care through Health IT

Health IT-enabled Quality Improvement

Innovations and Telehealth/Telemedicine

Opportunities and Challenges Ahead

How Americans Receive Their Medical Benefits

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Medicare



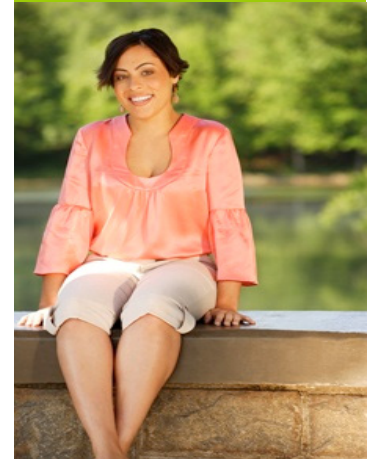
Medicaid
& State



Individuals



Uninsured



TODAY

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69 M

11 M

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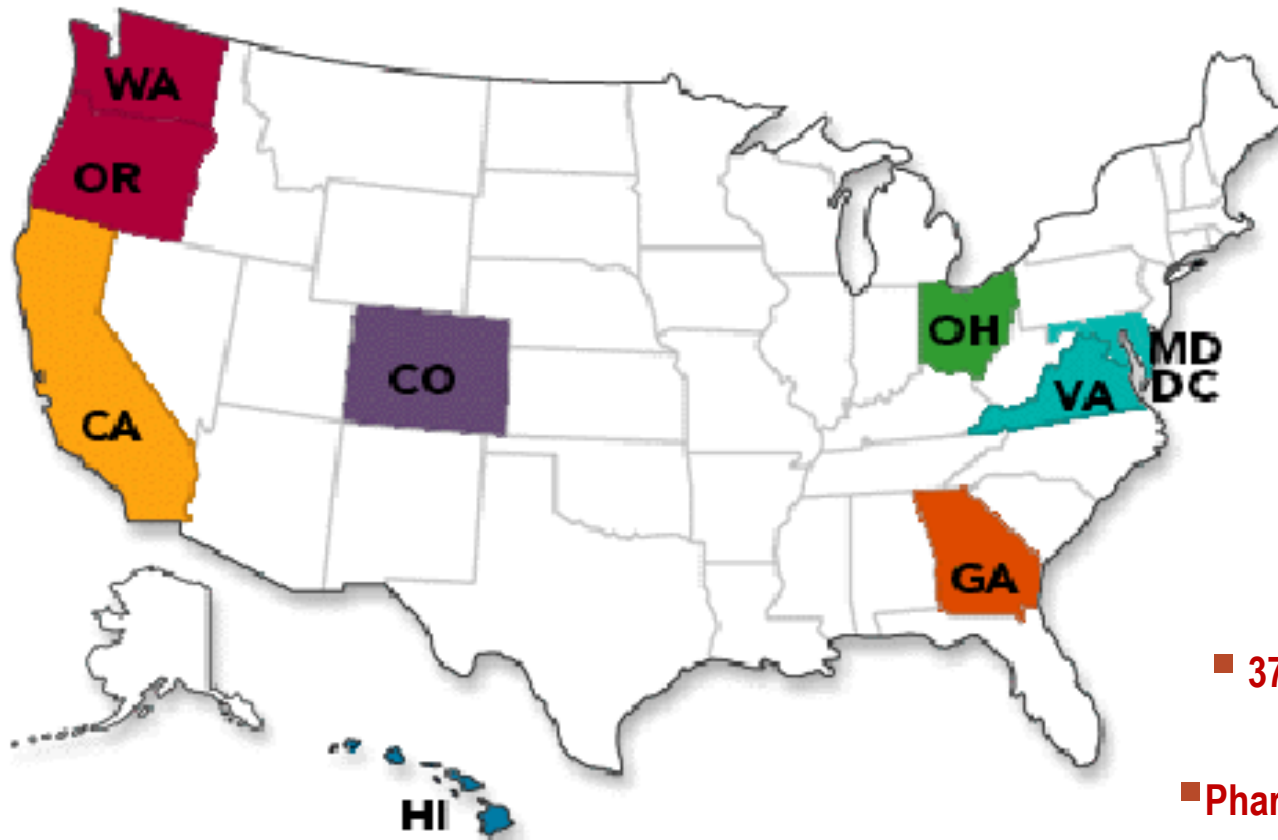
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- 30 M

Our History, Model, and Mission

Kaiser Permanente by the Numbers



- Nation's largest nonprofit health plan
 - Founded in 1945
- Integrated health care delivery System
 - 9+ million members
 - 17,000+ physicians, 48,000+ nurses
 - 175,000+ employees
- 8 Regions Serving 9 states and the District of Columbia
 - 37 hospitals and medical centers
 - 650+ medical offices
 - Pharmacies, Labs, Imaging Centers
 - \$50+ billion 2012 revenue

From the Desert to the Shipyards

Kaiser Permanente was born out of the challenge of providing medical care during the Great Depression and World War II, when most people could not afford to go to the doctor.

- 1933: Dr. Sidney Garfield establishes a prepayment health plan for workers building an aqueduct in the California desert.
- 1938-45: Henry Kaiser persuades Dr. Garfield to set up a prepaid group practice plan for workers and their families, first at the Grand Coulee Dam construction site, then during World War II at Kaiser shipyards in California and Washington.
- 1945: Kaiser health plans are opened to the public in California, Oregon, and Washington.

Innovative Ideas in a Fee-for-Service World

- Prepayment
- Group practice
- Prevention/total health
- Population-based approach
- Clinical information technology

Photo: Sidney Garfield, MD (left):
Surgeon, visionary, and trailblazer

Henry Kaiser (right): An entrepreneur who revolutionized ship-building and started global enterprises, including cement, steel, aluminum, and automobiles



Our Mission and Vision

Mission: to provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of our members and the communities we serve.

Vision: To be a leader in Total Health by making lives better.



Our Blue Sky Vision

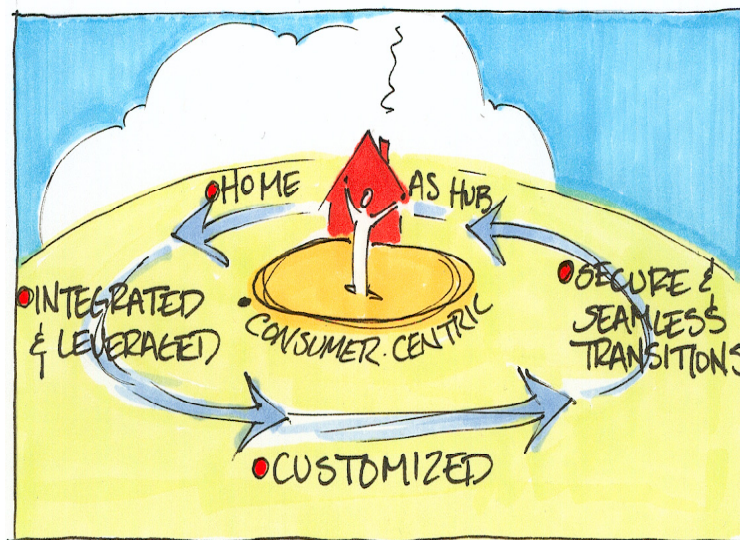
Four Core Elements:

- Total health, patient-centered, connected care
- Integrated/coordinated vs independent/fragmented
- Prepaid vs Fee-for-service
- Common, interoperable EHR system vs incompatible/disconnected systems

Home as the Hub

Focus on patient needs

The home, and other settings, will grow significantly as a locale of choice for some care delivery



Integration and Leveraging

IT functionality enables us to leverage scarce or specialized clinical resources - MDs, RNs and other clinical staff and make our processes more efficient.

Secure and seamless transitions

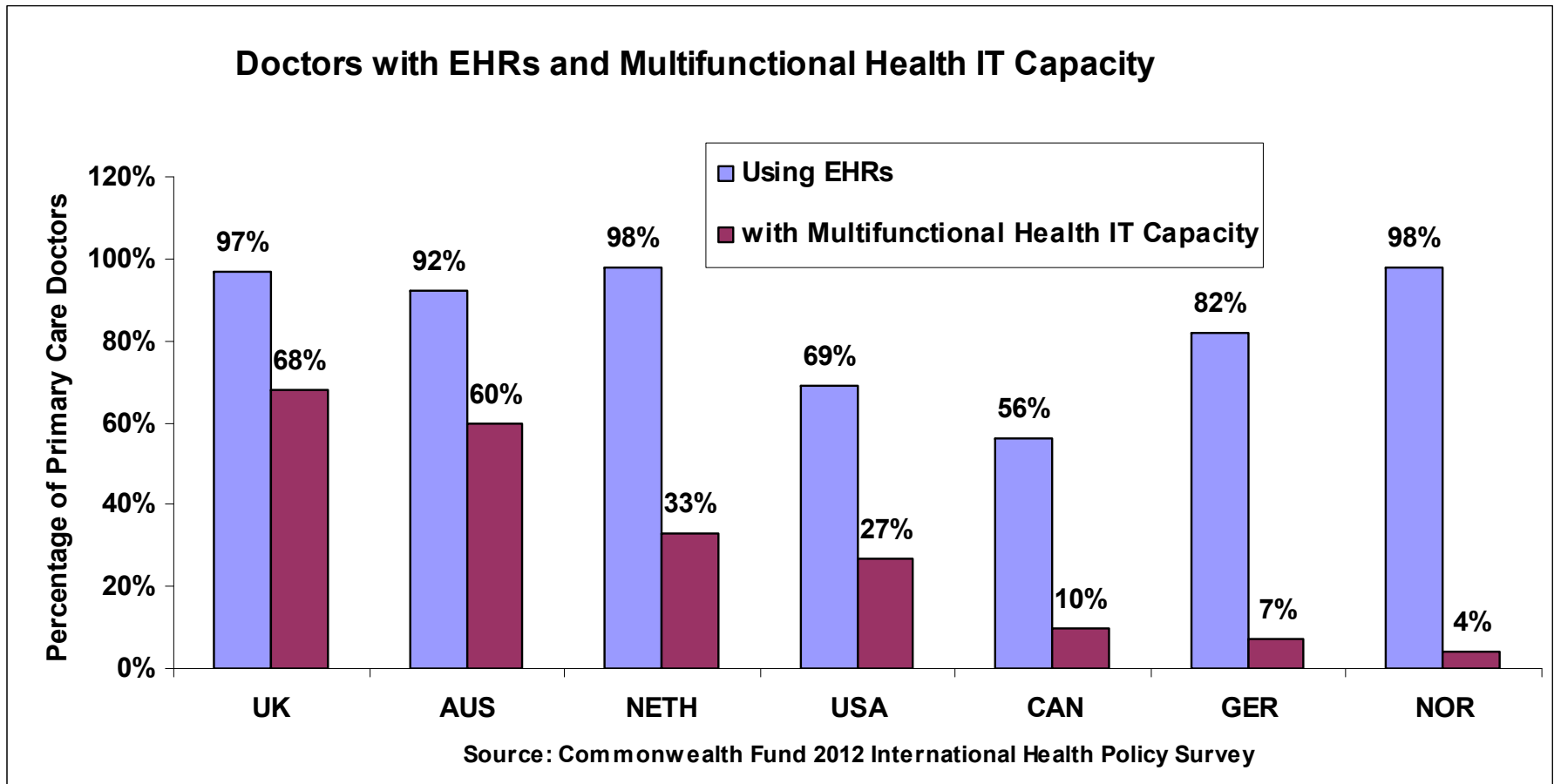
'Warm Handoffs' - The human skill sets and operational processes to deliver care and service effectively, efficiently, and compassionately.

Customization

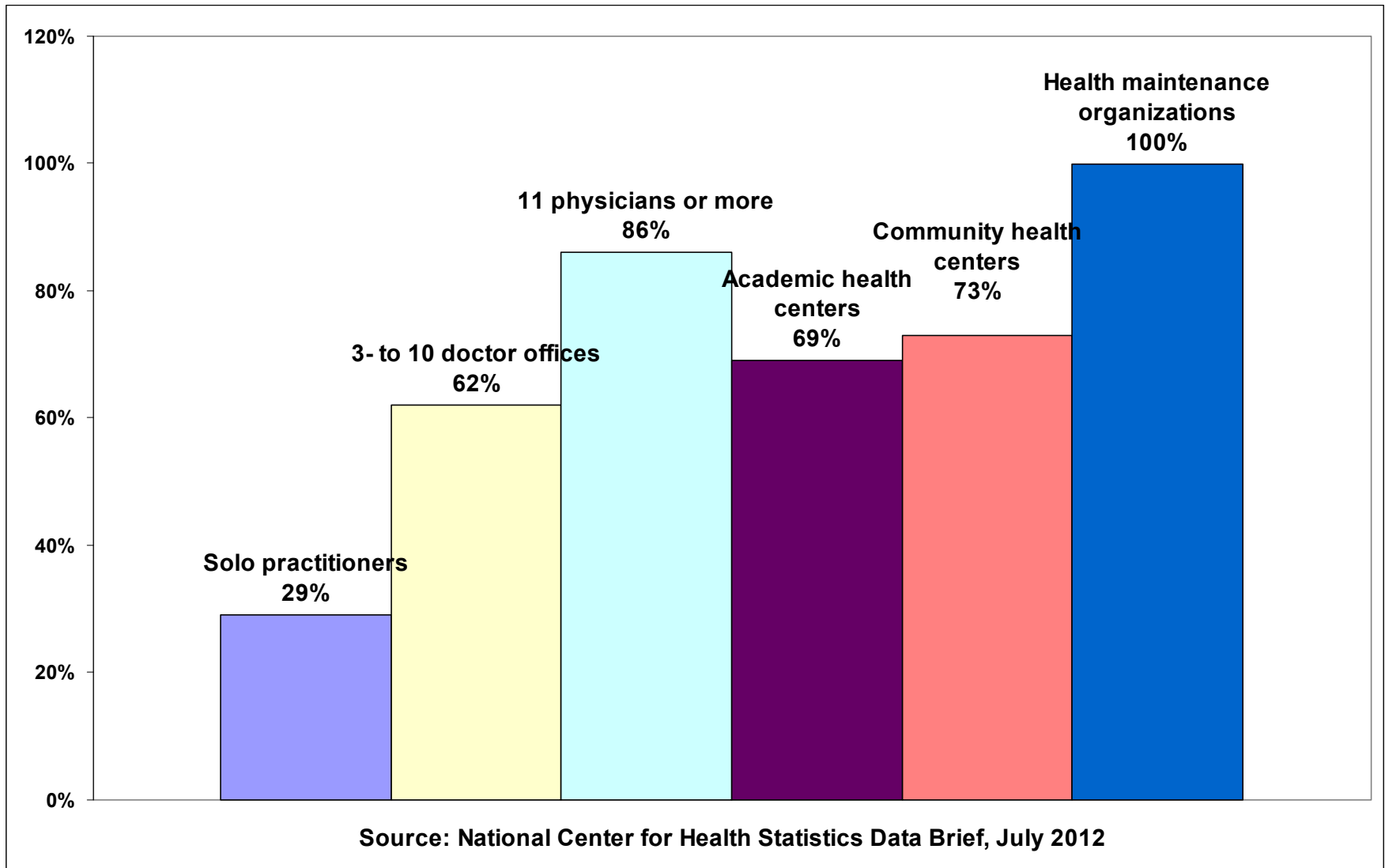
Occurs at any level of the members' journey with KP

Transforming Care through Health Information Technology

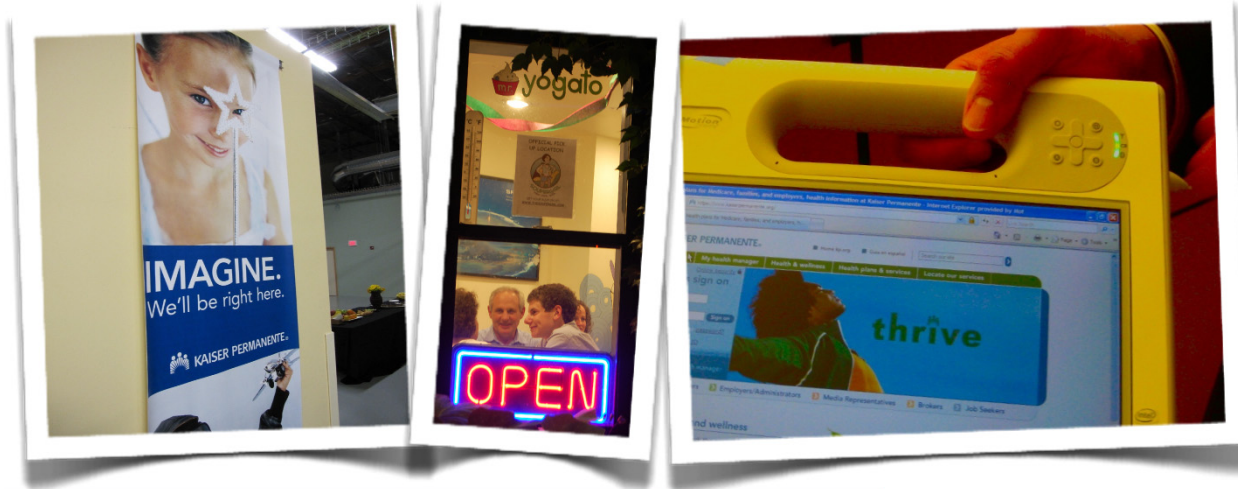
Where is the US in the Health IT Adoption?



U.S. EHR Adoption by Practice Setting, 2011



Our Investment in Health IT



*“...the right information
about the right patient
available to the right
provider all the time...”*

Kaiser Permanente Health IT:

- Combination of tools, resources, processes and workflows working together in an integrated environment to deliver high-quality affordable health care
- A program-wide system that integrates the clinical record with population management, patient/consumer interface, telehealth, administrative and consumer support systems

Kaiser Permanente HealthConnect®

- The world's largest and one of the most advanced civilian deployments of an electronic health record
- KP HealthConnect was implemented specifically to transform care and service delivery
- Our greatest benefits are the resulting improvements in quality, effectiveness, efficiency, safety, and support for new health delivery model

Kaiser Permanente Health IT

- **HealthConnect® Electronic Health Record System**
- **Member/Patient Portal**
- **Clinical Decision Support and Population Management**
- **Interoperability - Standards - Terminology**
- **Health Information Exchange, CCC, CIMI**
- **Health IT-enabled Quality Improvement**

Kaiser Permanente HealthConnect

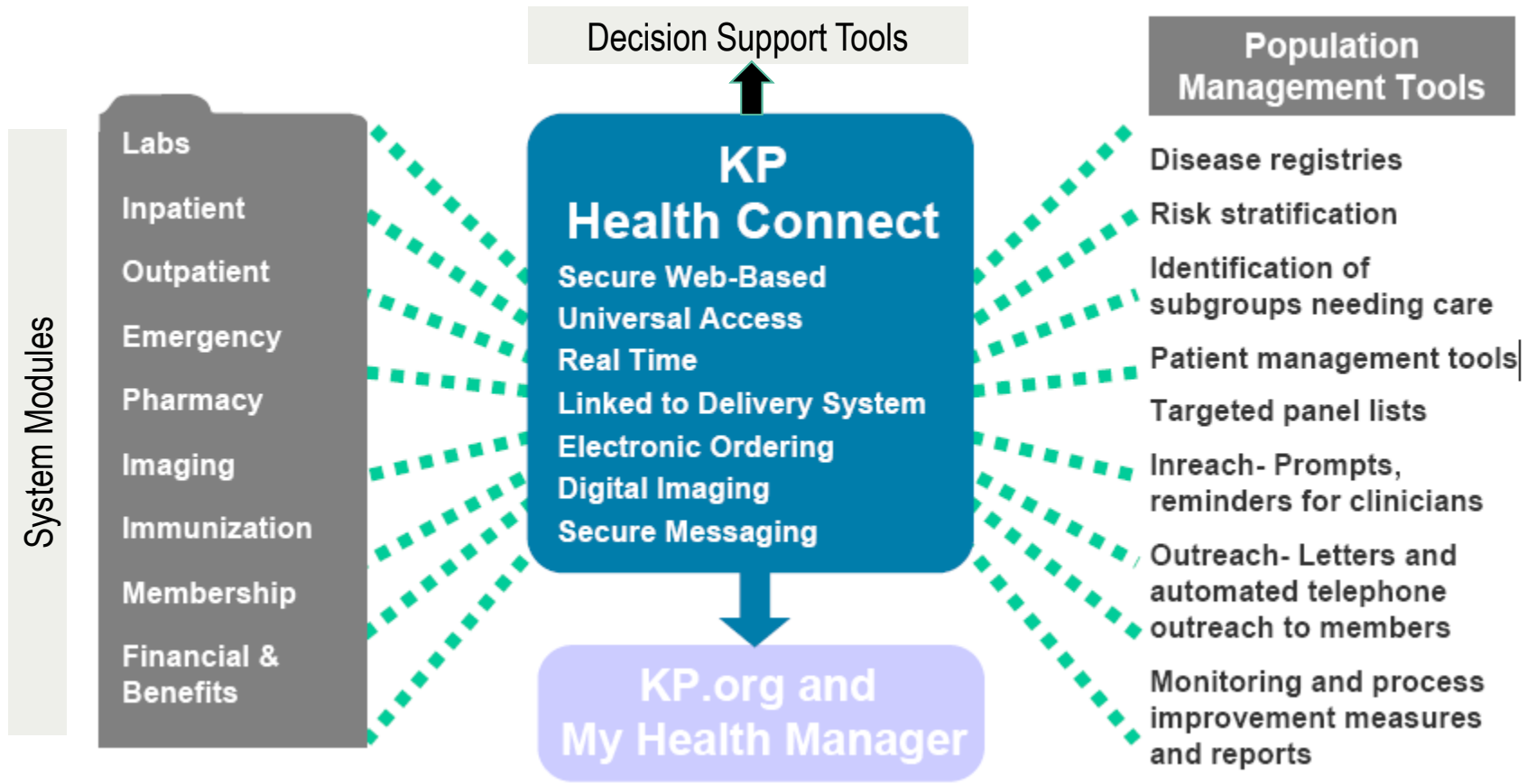
Kaiser Permanente typically spends about 5% of our total revenue on information technology. KP HealthConnect (our integrated system for care delivery) is:

- More than just an electronic medical record
- A Program-wide system that integrates the clinical record with appointments, ancillary and specialty services, registration, and billing
- A complete health care business and management system that enhances the quality of patient care
- A personal health record for more than 4 million Kaiser Permanente members (60% of members over 13 with Internet access)

Note: Return on investment was estimated at 8.5 years (but this was a strategic investment, not based on ROI)

Kaiser Permanente HealthConnect

Linking across patient episodes, providers, settings



kp.org and myHealthManager

My message center

Exchange secure e-mail with your doctor's office in [my message center](#). You also can go there to contact our Member Services and Web manager.

My plan and coverage

Get the facts about your plan and benefits, download forms, and more in [my plan and coverage](#).

Appointment center

Wondering if you should book a visit? Consult our [interactive symptom checker](#), or go straight to scheduling in the [appointment center](#).

Pharmacy center

You can manage your prescriptions here, or learn about specific medications in our [drug encyclopedia](#).

My medical record

See test results, immunizations, and more health information in [my medical record](#).

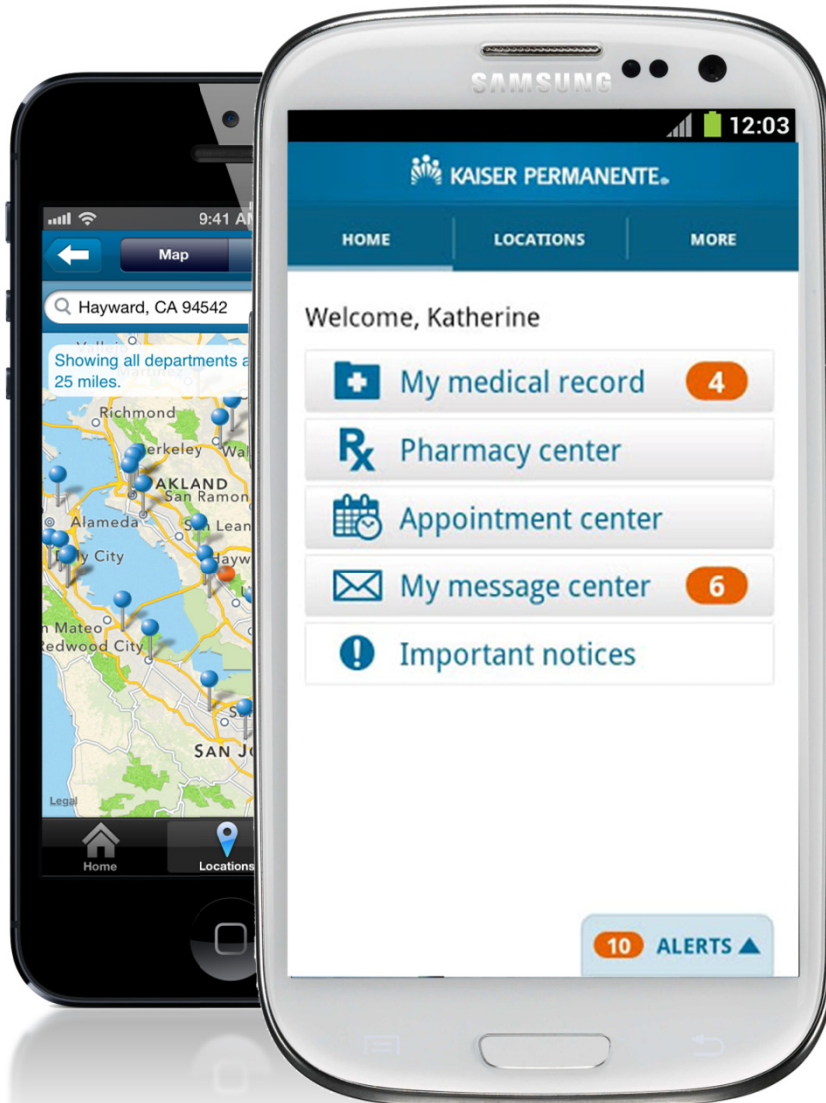
Health Services More Accessible

- Appointment Manager
- Renew prescription orders
- Access to lab results
- Special conditions (i.e., allergies, medications)
- Email with providers
- Access to medical record information (problem lists, medical history, immunizations, tests, etc)
- Download health record (“Blue Button”)
- Tools to select providers, locate services
- 24x7 Call Center

Wellness and Engagement

- Health encyclopedia online
- Access to HealthWise Manual
- Health Calculator
- Tools for self-evaluation of health conditions
- Announcements
- Educational programs
- Healthy Living educational modules

KP App - Anytime, Anywhere Access



53% of U.S. adult cell phone owners have smartphones.

One in three cell phone owners have used their phone to look for health information.

The KP app can help you:

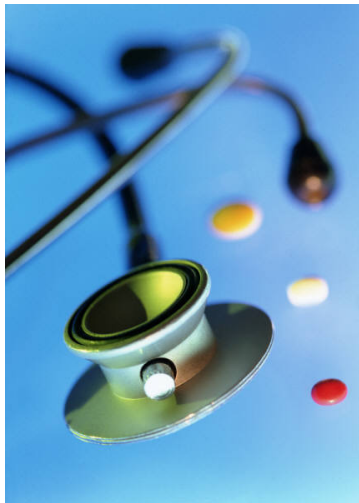
- locate facilities
- access medical records
- refill prescriptions
- make appointments
- email caregivers
- view test results

Pew 2012 Mobile Health Survey

Clinical Decision Support and Population Management Tools



- Access to library of KP knowledge and best practices at the point of care
- Tools and templates that facilitate the delivery of evidence-based medicine
- Dynamic decision-support tools that enhance quality and patient safety
 - Drug-Drug Interactions Alerts
 - Drug Allergy Alerts
 - Best Practice Alerts
 - Health Maintenance Reminders
 - Alternative Order and Medication Alerts
- Proactive alert and notification system



Population Management and Panel Support Tools



Demo Site

getting started | updates | FAQs | user guide | glossary | contact us

The Panel Support Tool

choose a provider | search / panel view | visit info | risk factors | logout

PCP: DEMO DOC Panel Size : 1158

Y Indicates in the registry

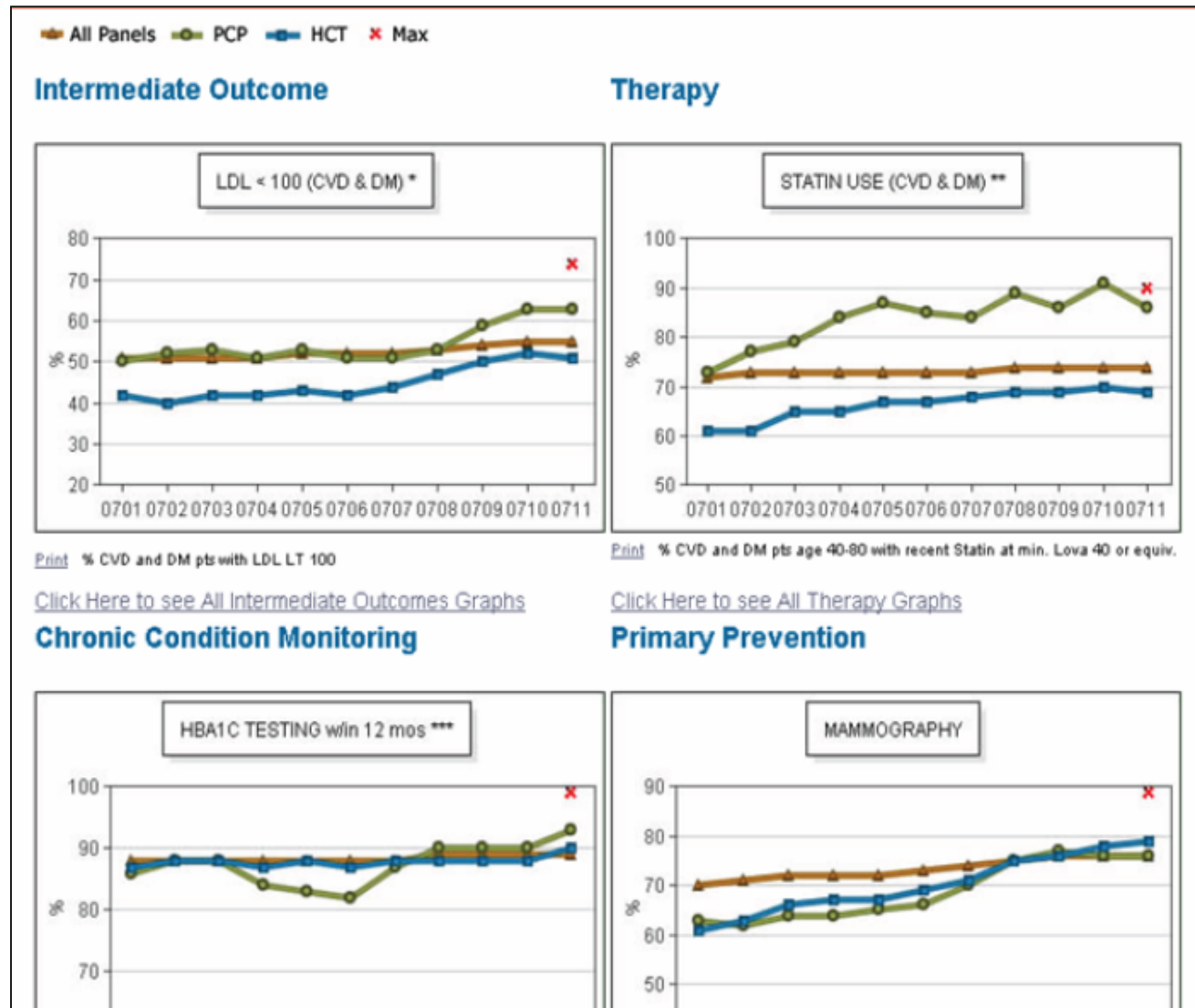
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Panel Support Features

- Tools to support the systematic analysis and management of all patients assigned to a providers using national guidelines
- Effective in managing and improving the health of predefined population and sub-population groups, the short- and long-term quality of services, and the improvement of service coordination and continuity of care

Population Management and Panel Support Tools

- Tools include interactive, real-time graphic display of 'vital signs' of a provider's panel
- Comparative analysis of results
- Different levels of specificity of indicators



Panel Support Tools for Specialists

Renal Population Management System: E-Consult Generator Nephrology Division, Kaiser-Hawaii

1 1926 **ALERT LEVEL** 2 YR ESRD RISK: **37%** RISK OF RAPID PROGRESSION: **43%**

SMITH,JOHN 4 YR ESRD RISK: **50%**

PCP: YAP, GARY G MR# 98765432 185/ 84 8/20/2008
 71 M Clinic: KAI 165/ 85 7/9/2008
 250 lbs No classes 159/ 77 5/7/2008
 DM CAD CVA Last PCP Date:
 Next PCP Date: 11/26/2008

Stage 3 CKD COZAAR 100

GFR: 35	7/9/2008	Cr: 2	C-G: 54
GFR: 35	5/2/2008	Cr: 2	
GFR: 46	1/23/2008	Cr: 1.6	DILTIAZEM 180
GFR: 53	9/7/2007	Cr: 1.4	METOPROLOL 100

Latest UP: 5700 1/24/2008

24hr Pr:
 24hr Pr:
 U Pr/Cr: 5.7 1/24/2008
 U Pr/Cr: 2.8 9/9/2007

MARAT
 UA PROT

Hgb: 11.8 7/9/2008

K: 4.3 7/9/2008

Ca:
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HgbA1c: 8.4 1/24/2008

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Subset New Comment

Nephro

Reviewed

Previous Card Comment Log Update Log skip OK

Refresh Card

Next Card

Undo

Redo

Finish

Next PCP Card Next Color Card No Log Labs

Log Labs Expired Inactivate Card Nephro mark

Reset K BP RRisk 37% Bone Anemia 16.5% Drug

PE Sign Off Flag NR BL ESRD auto-unmark

MR# 9876543

Search Cards Stats Subset Review

E-CONSULT

Date reviewed: Friday, October 17, 2008

Re: SMITH,JOHN
 MR# 98765432

Dear Dr. YAP, GARY G,

This patient's estimated GFR of 35 puts him at stage 3 chronic kidney disease. Based on GFR and proteinuria, estimated 2 year risk of ESRD is 37%.

Last Blood Pressure: 185/ 84 8/20/2008

We examined the renal-related parameters for this patient including demographics, medications, labs and the problem list. Based on this we recommend the following:

Recommend referral of this patient to Nephrology.

Thank you. Sincerely, Dr. Brian Lee for the Nephrology Division,

- Refer
- Screen most
- Screen full
- Screen Bone
- Screen Anemia
- Screen Cr
- Screen Uprot
- Screen lipid
- Kidney Class
- High BP
- High HgbA1c
- Start Lisinopril
- Adjust Lisinopril
- Stop Lisinopril

preview E-Consult

Dr. Alan Lau
 Dr. Aurora Tomit
 Dr. Brian Lee

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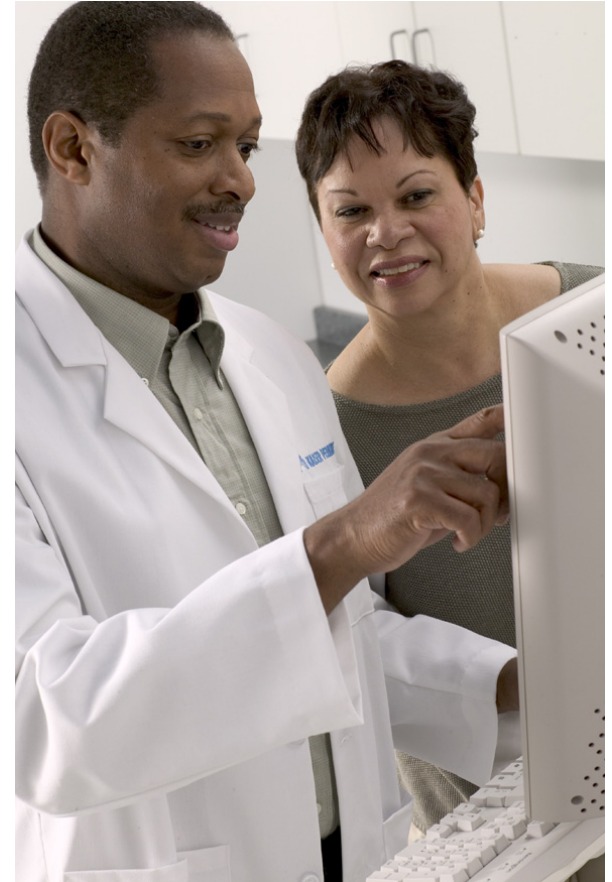
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Standards and Interoperability

- KP has always been at the forefront of development, adoption and use of health IT standards
- Currently actively engaged in most national and international SDOs including ISO, HL7, ASTM, DICOM, X12, NCPDP, NQF, others
- Applied across entire spectrum of programs and services (clinical, labs, pharmacy, imaging, administrative, research, etc)
- Developed Convergent Medical Terminology (CMT) tool to cross-reference multiple clinical terminologies
- Engaged in additional multi-lateral efforts to advance interoperability
 - Clinical Information Modeling Initiative (CIMI)
 - Care Connectivity Consortium (CCC)



What is Interoperability?

An orange puzzle piece with a tab on its right side, representing the 'Technical' aspect of interoperability.

Technical

'Technical' Interoperability

The ability of two or more systems to reliably exchange information so that it is human readable by the receiver.

Technical interoperability describes the actual, physical puzzle pieces and their ability to be linked.

An orange puzzle piece with a blank top surface and a tab on its right side, representing the 'Semantic' aspect of interoperability.

Semantic

'Semantic' Interoperability

The ability of information shared by systems to be understood... so that non-numeric data can be processed by the receiving system.

Semantic interoperability describes the image printed on the puzzle and the picture's ability to convey information to people.

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Process

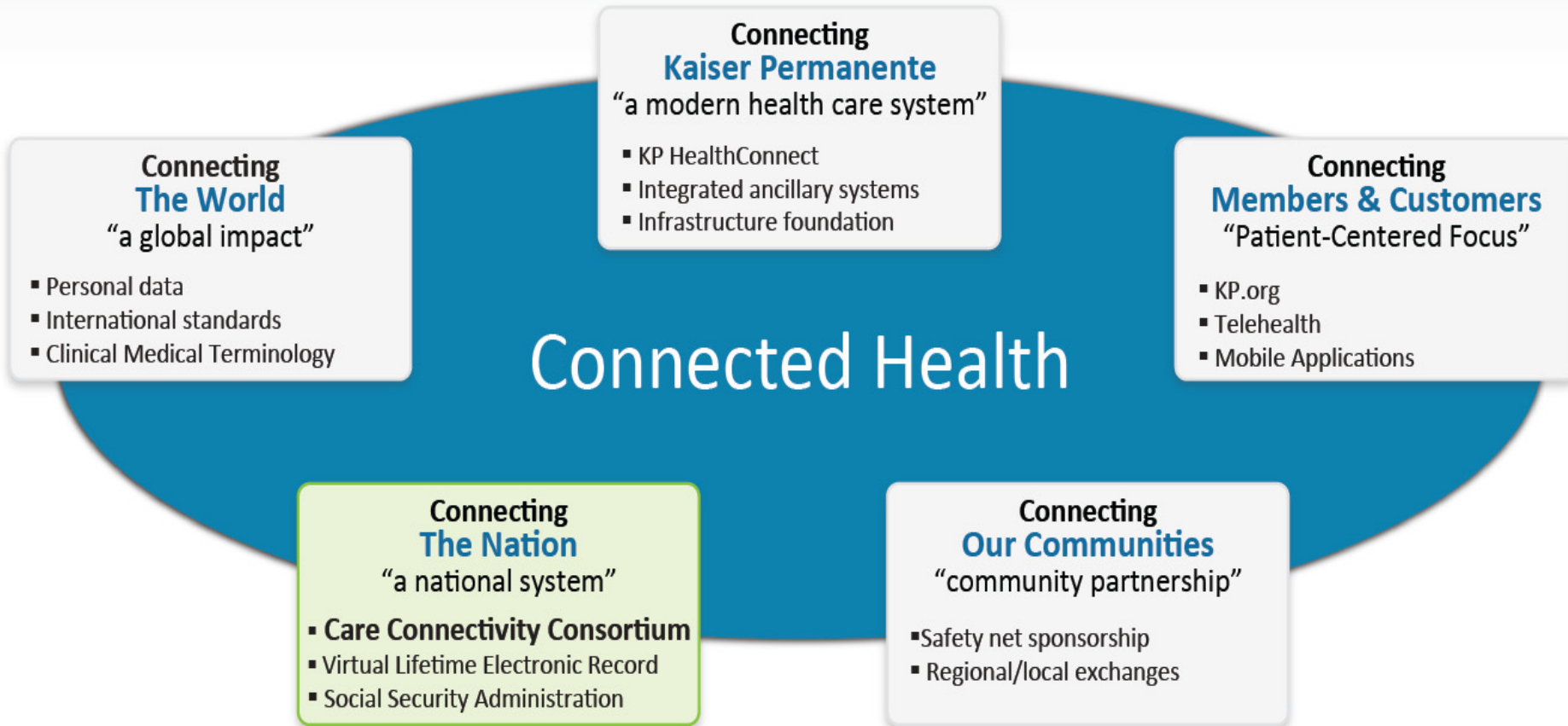
'Process' Interoperability

Focuses on methods for the optimal integration of computer systems into actual work settings.

Process interoperability describes the methods and strategies used by those assembling the puzzle, perhaps grouping pieces with straight sides, grouping pieces by color, etc.

Our Vision of Interoperability

With an industry-leading, at-scale connected system, Kaiser Permanente is seeking to define transformational connections across our enterprise, with our members and the nation.



Standards and Interoperability



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National Institutes of Health

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Kaiser Permanente Opens Access to CMT to Support HHS Health IT Goals

What is CMT?

- CMT stands for Convergent Medical Terminology. It is a set of clinician- and patient friendly terminology, linked to US and international interoperability standards, and related vocabulary development tools and utilities. It was developed by Kaiser Permanente over many years for use within its health-IT systems. CMT includes more than 75,000 concepts.
- CMT can be incorporated in the underlying architecture of health-IT systems to support data flow between health care providers, as it is in Kaiser Permanente today. It provides uniform concept definitions so that systems used for labs, vaccines, observations, and other medical data can communicate with each other in a common language, making data transferable between systems and among care teams.
- CMT allows care teams to interact with health information technology systems by providing more familiar names and descriptions so that they can coordinate with each other in an easy to understand way.
- Because CMT links to U.S. national standard vocabularies and code sets, such as [SNOMED CT](#) and [ICD-9-CM](#), health data created using CMT's clinician-friendly language can be translated as needed to standards required for quality measurement, statistical reporting, and health care reimbursement.

Standards and Interoperability Drivers and Challenges

DRIVERS

- HIPAA
- Meaningful Use
- Health Reform
 - Insurance Reform: Health Insurance Exchanges
 - Care Delivery Reform: Care Coordination, Seamless Transitions of Care
 - Payment Reform: Performance/outcomes based bundled payments

CHALLENGES

- Rigidness vs flexibility
- Required vs situational
- Benefits vs Risks
- Multiplicity of disjointed requirements



HITECH EHR Incentive Program (Meaningful Use)

- MU serves as a great impetus to further improve health care quality, service and safety
- Financial incentives are resulting in significant increase in national health care system's adoption of EHRs
- KP actively prepared for MU, reached out to regulators to offer perspectives, and is exceeding requirements into areas beyond MU
- Because Kaiser Permanente has invested heavily in health IT over many years, we are well-positioned to meet meaningful use objectives -- but not without hard work and dedication
- Like other health care providers, we have to look at our technologies with fresh eyes and examine ways to make it more meaningful
- We are now focusing on achieving full compliance with the next MU milestone (Stage 2)
- We believe that this work and the investment in HIT is important and will change the way each and every person receives health care in the future

Health Information Exchanges

As HIE evolves, the interoperability framework standards advance for reliable exchange and data integration across the nation.

No EMR

EHR

Direct Email

Exchange Interoperability



MDs, RNs



Fax



Paper Records

Non-interoperable medical records sent via fax or email



Patients



Hospitals, MOBs



MDs, RNs



Health Plans

Electronic records contained within various health care sites and organizations



Direct Email

Directed push using secure email transport over the Internet



Semantic



Technical



Process

Advanced interoperability components using national eHealth standards

Care Connectivity Consortium (CCC)

- Five founding organizations
- Enhance the capabilities of current HIE technologies
- Allow for secure and effective sharing between data exchange networks and health record systems
- Offer these solutions to the broader HIE community



CCC Background

Innovation: Value Added Services Development
(augment eHealth Exchange standards)



March 2011

- Formed CCC Health Information Exchange network

February 2012

- Signed Participant Trust Agreement to enable network exchanges
- Live on CCC Health Information Exchange network, using national standards

August 2012

- Expanded content: added lab results, immunizations, & vital signs

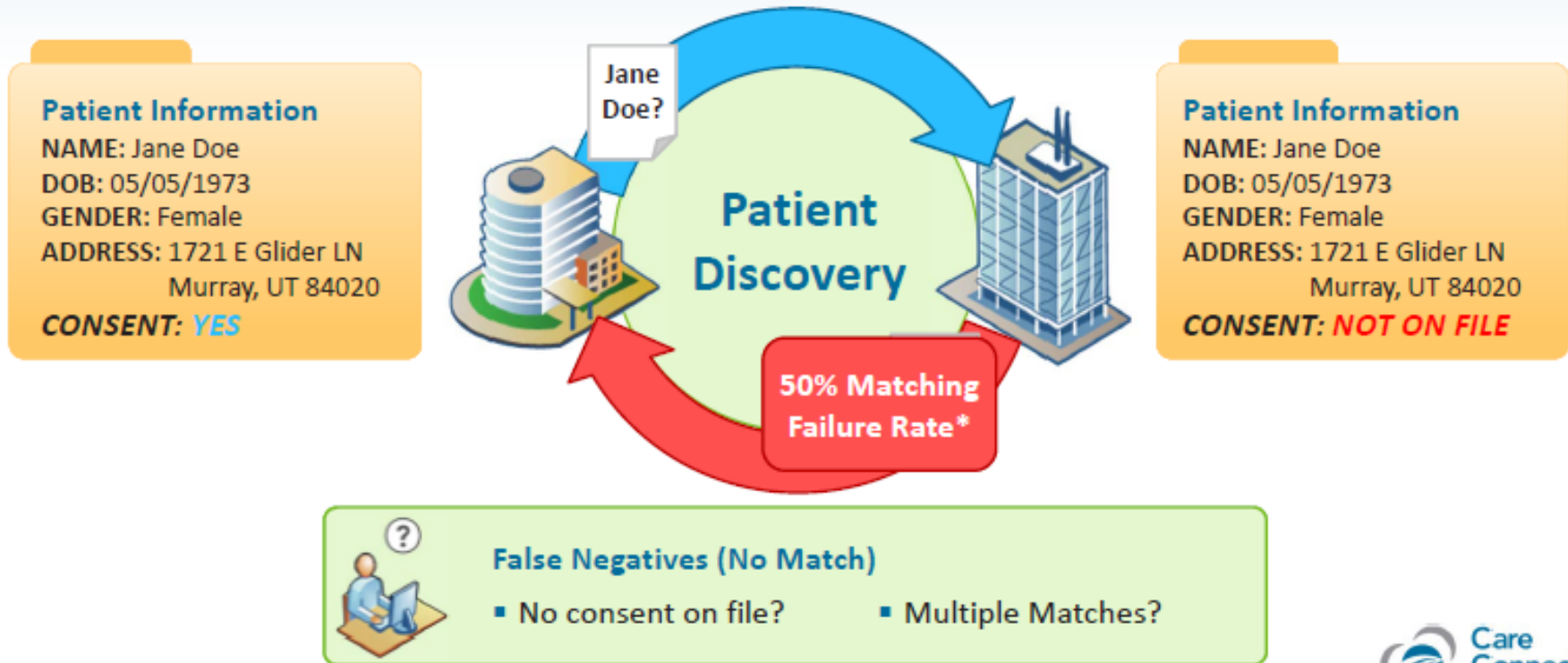
December 2012

- Completed initial development of patient matching & consent management services



What's not working today....

The eHealth Exchange provides a foundation for interoperability – however challenges exist for patient matching and consent management.



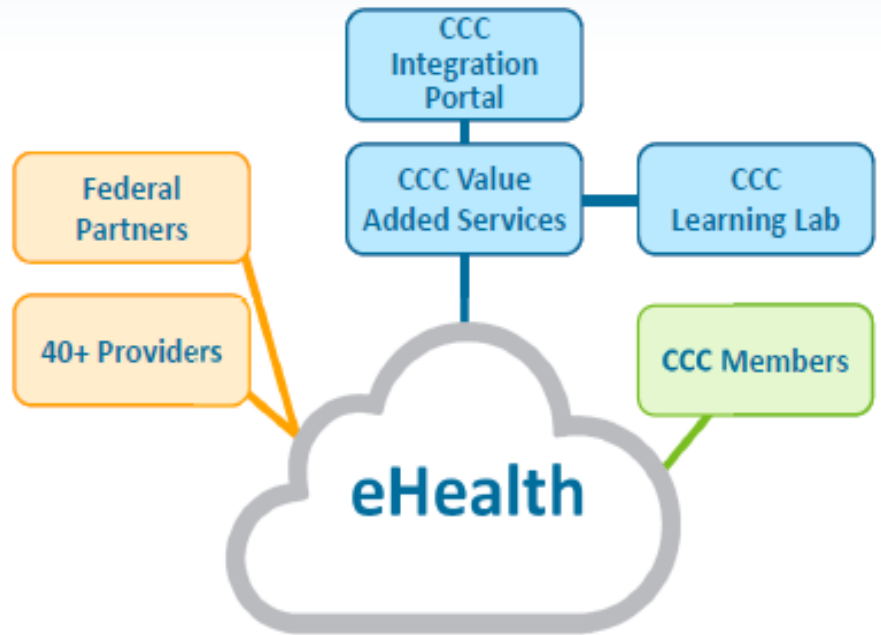
* Estimated Based on Industry Studies and CCC Organization experience to date (2013)



What we are achieving

The CCC will offer Value Added Services to augment the foundation of trusted data exchange technology on the eHealth Exchange network.

Value Added Services	Desired Outcomes
Patient Identity Management Services	Higher Patient Matching Success Rate
Enhanced Consent Management	Consent Management at Point of Service
CCC Integration Portal	Improved HIE workflows
CCC Learning Lab	Innovation Incubator



Next Steps

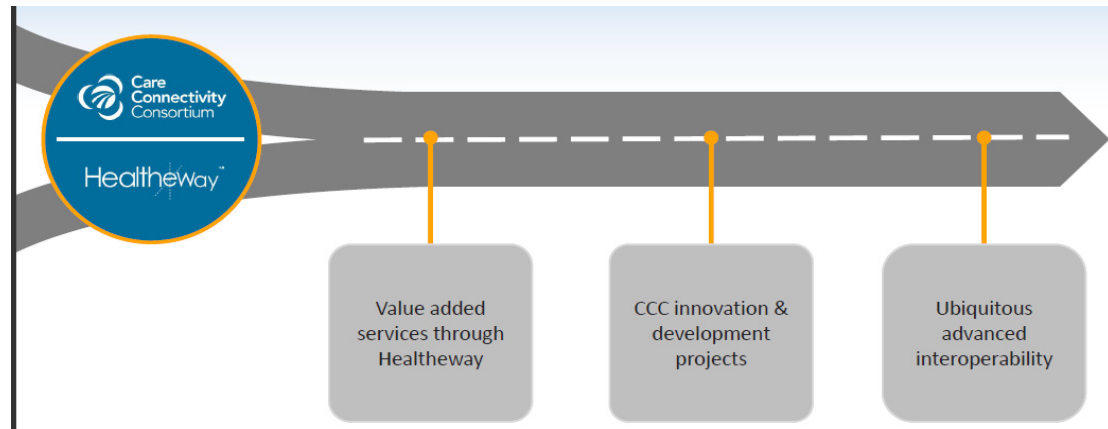
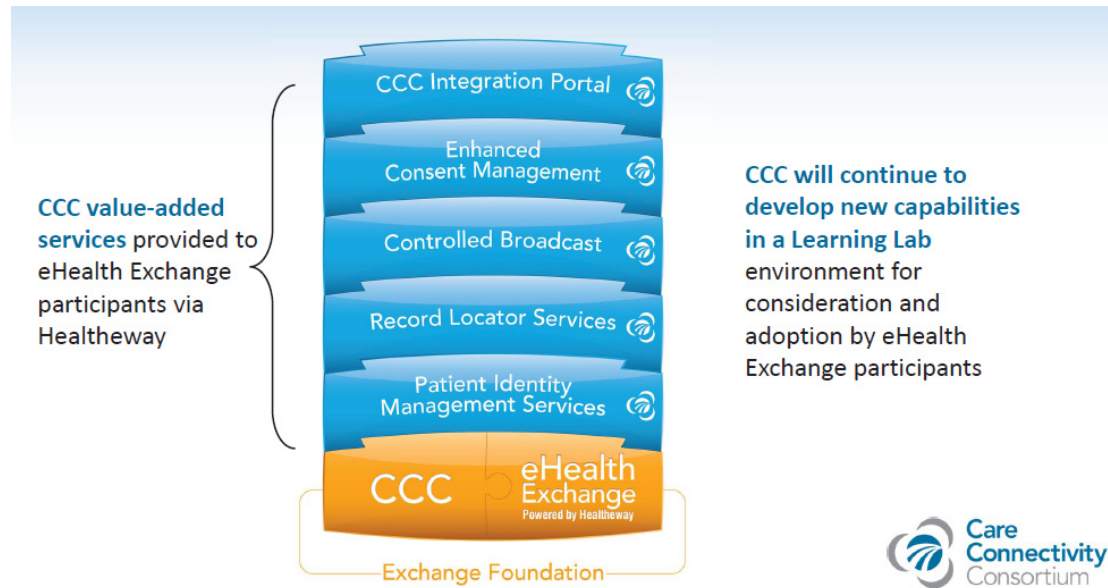


eHealth Exchange
Powered by Healthway



Leverage CCC's development and incubation of new services for the exchange

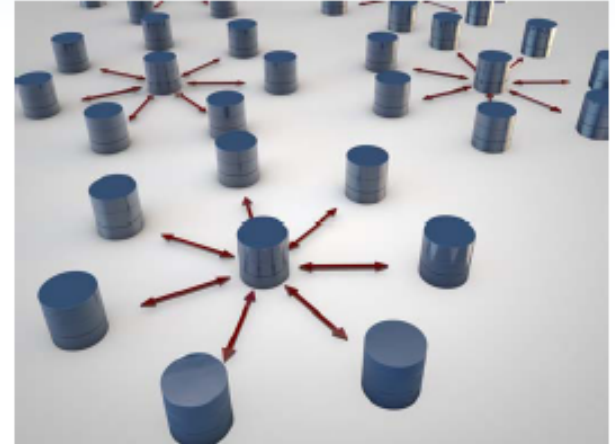
Leverage Healthway's robust onboarding and associated services to help minimize costs and improve efficiencies



Clinical Information Modeling Initiative (CIMI)

CIMI is an international collaboration dedicated to providing a common information modeling format to represent health information content for interoperability.

- Shared repository of detailed clinical information models
- Using a single formalism
- Based on a common set of base data types
- Formal bindings of the models to standard coded terminologies
- Repository is open and models are free for use at no cost



Mission

Improve the interoperability of healthcare systems through shared implementable clinical information models.

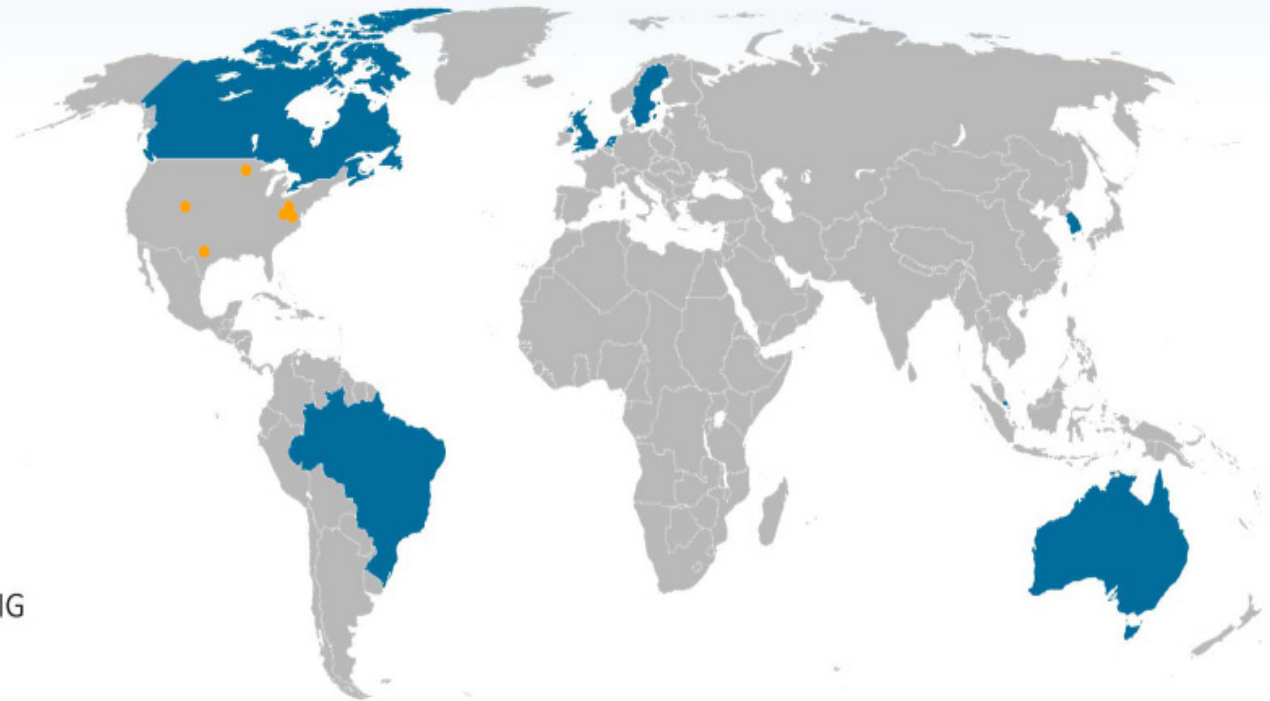
Common formats would enable the integration, analysis, and interoperability across healthcare disciplines and institutions.

- Messages
- Services
- Decision logic (queries of EHR data)
- EHR data storage
- Clinical trials data (clinical research)
- Normalization of data for secondary use
- Creation of data entry screens
- Natural Language Processing



Clinical Information Modeling Initiative (CIMI)

- CEN 13606
- openEHR Foundation
- US Veterans Administration
- US Department of Defense
- Intermountain Healthcare
- Mayo Clinic
- HL7
 - Version 3 RIM, message templates
 - TermInfo
 - CDA plus Templates
 - Detailed Clinical Models
 - greenCDA
- Tolven
- NIH/NCI – Common Data Elements, CaBIG
- CDISC SHARE



Health-IT Enabled Quality Improvement

Examples of Quality Improvement

- We have reduced mortality from sepsis infections by 40%.
- Our Healthy Bones program has reduced broken bones for our senior patients by nearly one-third.
- The death rate for our HIV patients is half the national average, due to our highly effective HIV team care programs.



Examples of Quality Improvement

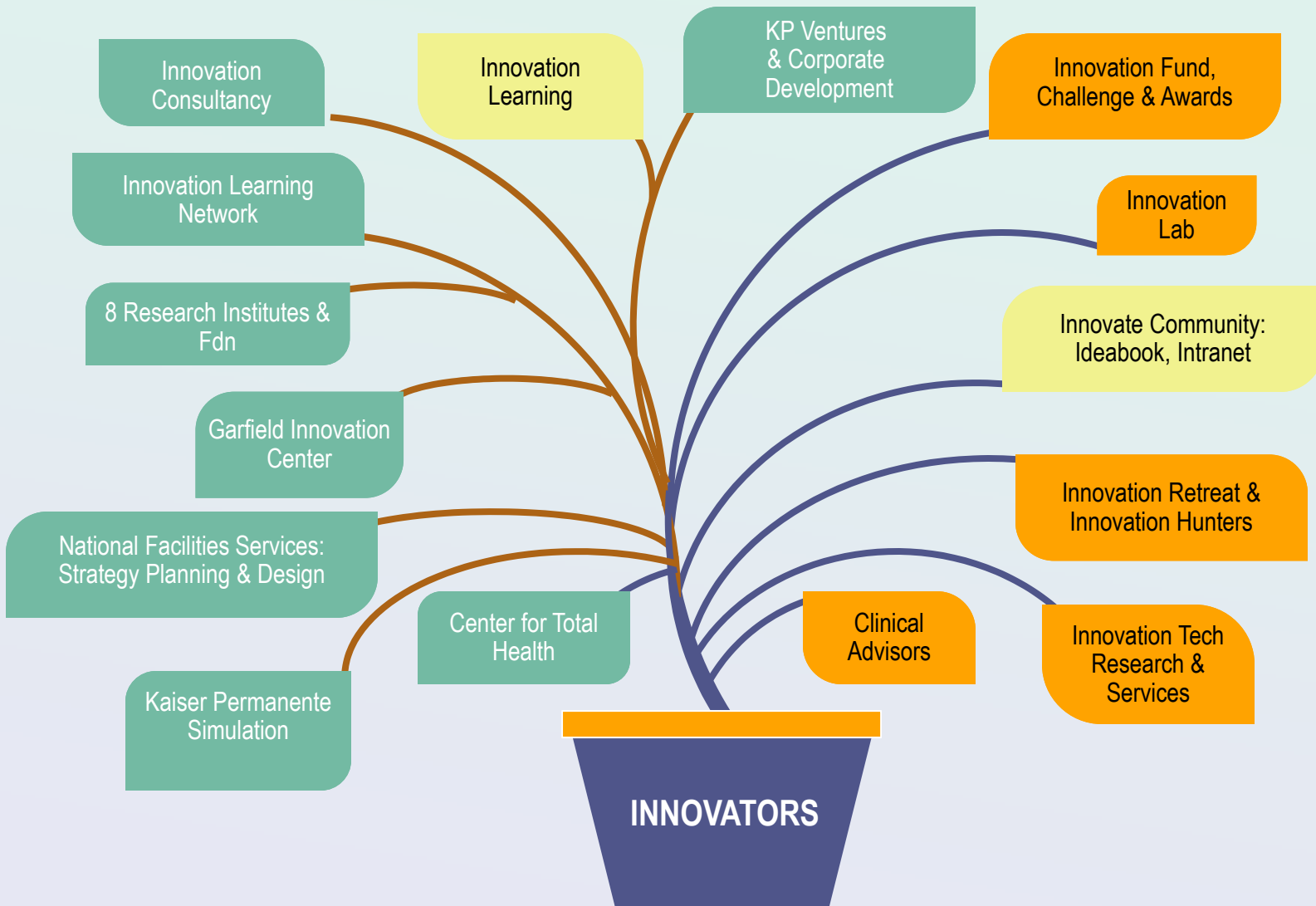
- **HIT-Enabled Diabetes Care**¹
 - 44% lower failure rate of metformin treatment for type 2 diabetes
- **HIT-Enabled Cholesterol Management**²
 - 40% more very high risk patients achieve national cholesterol guidelines
- **HIT-Enabled Screening**³
 - Best breast cancer screening rates in US
 - Best HIV/AIDS screening rates in US
- **HIT-Enabled Cardiac Care**⁴
 - 24% lower probability of death from heart attack
 - 62% lower probability of serious heart attacks doing permanent damage
 - 90% lower mortality from second heart attacks
 - 89% lower all-cause cardiac mortality
- **HIT-Enabled Patient Satisfaction**⁵
 - Higher patient involvement in care
 - Over 800% more scheduled e-visits
 - Almost 600% more secure messaging with doctors
 - 24% fewer office visits

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Innovations and Telehealth/Telemedicine @ Kaiser Permanente

Kaiser Permanente Innovation Ecosystem



Sidney R. Garfield Health Care Innovation Center

- **37,000 sq. ft. simulated care delivery environment for testing new ideas and designs**
 - Located in San Leandro near Oakland Airport
 - Funded internally by Kaiser Permanente
 - Opened 2006

- **Space includes:**
 - Inpatient clinical mockups
 - Full sized med/surgery unit & patient rooms
 - Labor, delivery, recovery & postpartum setting
 - Operating room
 - ED treatment bay

 - Outpatient clinical mock ups
 - Home health environment
 - IAT technology laboratory
 - Open prototyping area
 - Learning & conference space



Telehealth/Telemedicine @ Kaiser Permanente

- **Vision**

- Telehealth is an integral part of the way Kaiser Permanente delivers comprehensive, high-quality, accessible, convenient, and affordable health care to its health plan members

- **Goals**

- Expand the geographical and operational boundaries of health care by leveraging technology to connect health plan members and health care providers with each other
- To provide remote health care, educational, and administrative services to members wherever they may be.

Principles

1. **Member-centric.** Telehealth recognizes members' needs, preferences, desires, and the importance of member participation in care decisions and activities.
2. **Evidence-based best practice.** Telehealth programs are based upon proven benefits in quality of care, service, affordability, and/or professional satisfaction.
3. **Right technology.** Telehealth technology should be robust, reliable, affordable, secure, and appropriate to the abilities, constraints, and preferences of its users.
4. **Right people.** Telehealth is a collaborative, multidisciplinary approach that must have the full commitment of participating health care providers.
5. **Right process.** There should be providers tasked with monitoring and acting upon telehealth data, as well as coordinating member care.
6. **Broad scope.** Telehealth is appropriate for both management of illness and promotion of health and wellness.
7. **Holistic care.** Telehealth should be integrated into conventional clinical practice as part of a comprehensive approach to health care.
8. **Legacy integration.** Telehealth technology should be integrated with Kaiser Permanente's electronic health information systems.

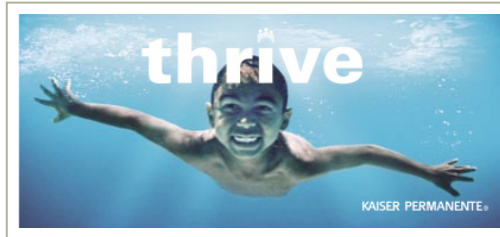
Telehealth/Telemedicine @ Kaiser Permanente

- Recognized national leader in telehealth adoption/implementation
- All hospitals and most medical clinics, imaging labs built with telehealth/telemedicine capabilities
- HealthConnect® EHR supports telemedicine applications
- In 2011, implemented over 50 telehealth/telemedicine projects that provided 250,000+ visits/encounters
- Focus in two areas: management of chronic illness and delivery of specialty services
 - Chronic patients → 5-10% of members → 60% of total costs

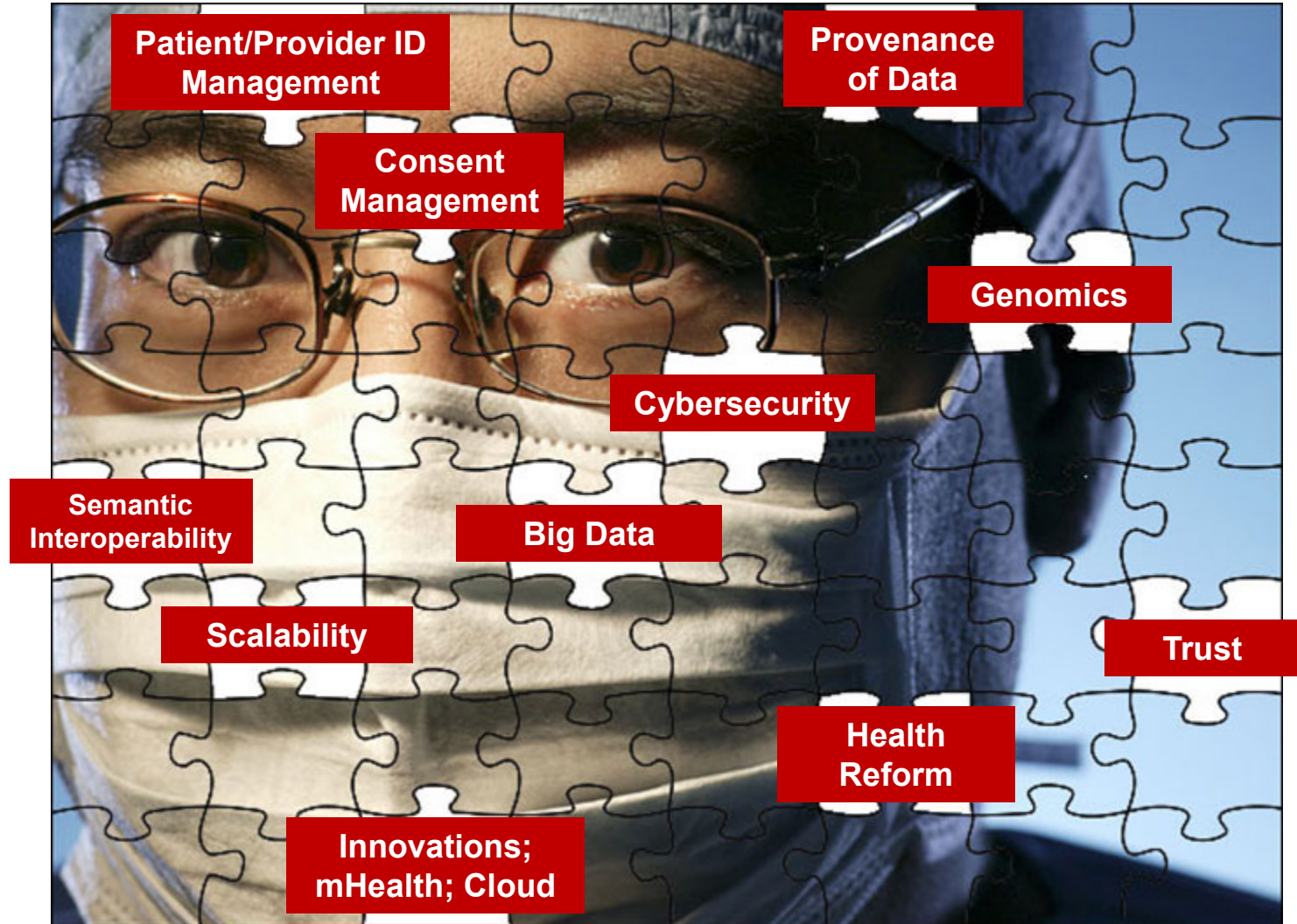


A New Framework for Telehealth/Telemedicine

- Personalized, patient-centered, meaningful integrated approach to the utilization of information and communication technologies to support health and health care services
- Involves multiple types of technologies and different modes of communication and interaction
- Tailored to the patient, the environment, the condition
- Requires care redesign, pathway/workflow reengineering, patient education, training of clinicians/workforce and system interoperability
- Involves:
 - EHR, patient portal, low-level asynchronous communication, interactive teleconsultation (Patient-Provider and Provider-Provider), biometric monitoring, auto-upload, proactive communication
 - Support for wired, wireless, home-based, mobile platforms



Opportunities and Challenges Ahead



Thank You!

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