

# The Santa Barbara County Care Data Exchange

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- Formed in 1998 by leading public and private health care organizations throughout Santa Barbara County
- A county-wide organization aimed at improving the health status of all Santa Barbara residents
- A "public utility" available to all physicians, caregivers and consumers
- Rapid and secure delivery of patient data to authorized users who have informed consent
- Initial sponsorship from the California Health Care Foundation





### **Sponsoring Organizations**

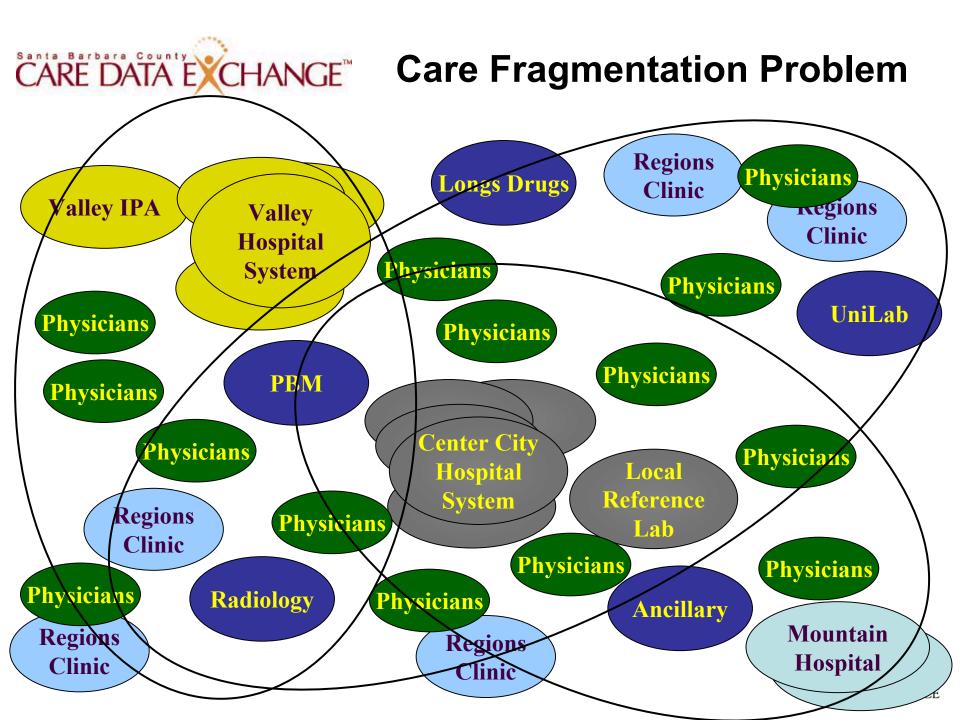
- The Santa Barbara Regional Health Authority
- The County Public Health Department
- Sansum Santa Barbara Medical Foundation Clinic
- Cottage Health System
- Catholic Health Care West Marion Medical Center
- MidCoast IPA
- The Lompoc Valley Community Healthcare Organization
- Santa Barbara Medical Society
- Pueblo Radiology
- UNILAB
- Other provider organizations
- University of California, Santa Barbara





- Problem
- Data
- Technology
- Benefits







# **Baseline Assessment:** Fragmentation Impact

- Physicians sharing the same patient ordered duplicate tests and therapies
  - The same drug, lab test or radiology exam was ordered 11% of the time
  - Half of the time, patients followed the duplicate instructions
- Physicians didn't know what other physicians were doing to their patients
  - 1 out of 4 prescriptions taken by a patient were not known by the primary care physician
- Uncertainty and hassle reduction drove decisions
  - 1 of 7 admissions resulted from missing information in emergency rooms or primary care settings
  - 1of 5 lab and xray tests were duplicates because of retrieval barriers



# Case Study: A Patient Presents to His/her Physician

#### Enterprise View of a Patient

- Comorbidities:
  - Diabetes

- Other visits:
  - "Saw my sugar doctor"
- Tests:
  - None

- Drugs:
  - Insulin

#### **CDE View of the Patient**

- Comorbidities:
  - Diabetes
  - Heart Failure
  - Hypertension
- Other visits:
  - Diabetologist: 5/2/02
  - Cardiologist: 4/28/02
  - CHF Admission: 4/03/02
- Tests:
  - HgA1C: 14%
  - CXR: Mild CHF
  - ECG: Old MI
- Drugs:
  - Insulin
  - ACE Inhibitor
    - Percoset





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### **Data Deployment Plan**

- Institution-based Data Flow
  - Institution-to-Clinician
  - Institution-to-Consumer
  - Institution-to-Public Health
- Clinician-based Data Flow
  - Clinician-to-Clinician
  - Clinician-to-Consumer
  - Clinician-to-Public Health





# Data Available by Organization

- The Santa Barbara Regional Health Authority
  - Eligibility
  - Authorizations
  - Referrals
  - Pharmacy, medical and hospital claims
- Sansum-Santa Barbara Medical Foundation Clinic
  - Laboratory
  - Radiology reports
  - Radiology images and voice clips
  - Medical record transcribed reports<sup>2003</sup>
  - Pharmacy<sup>2003</sup>
- The County Public Health Department
  - Laboratory data from internal system and UNILAB
  - Radiology reports<sup>2003</sup>





# Data Available by Organization (cont'd.)

- Cottage Health System
  - Laboratory
  - Radiology reports
  - Radiology images and voice clips
  - Clinical reports: H&P, discharge summary, procedure, consultation and progress notes
  - Pharmacy<sup>2003</sup>
  - ER Notes<sup>2003</sup>
- Catholic Health Care West--Marion Medical Center
  - Laboratory<sup>2003</sup>
  - Radiology Reports<sup>2003</sup>
  - Clinical reports: H&P, discharge summary, procedure, consultation and progress notes<sup>2003</sup>
  - Pharmacy<sup>2003</sup>





# Data Available by Organization (cont'd.)

- The Lompoc HealthCare District
  - Laboratory
  - Radiology reports
  - Radiology images and voice clips<sup>2003</sup>
  - Clinical reports: H&P, discharge summary, procedure notes<sup>2003</sup>
  - Pharmacy<sup>2003</sup>
- MidCoast IPA
  - Laboratory data from UNILAB
  - Electronic Medical Records<sup>2003</sup>
- Pueblo Radiology
  - Radiology images and voice clips
  - Radiology reports<sup>2003</sup>
- Independent Physicians
  - Laboratory data from UNILAB
- Ancillary Pharmacies<sup>2003</sup>





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### **Technology Applications**

- Physician data access (Physician Portal)
  - Seamless, longitudinal and cross-enterprise
  - Lab, radiology, pharmacy, transcriptions
  - Referrals and consults
  - Eligibility, enrollment and authorizations
- Consumer data access (Consumer Portal)
  - Personal health information access
  - Tracking of personal health information access
  - Amendment of personal health information
- Population health management
  - Cross-hospital reporting and tracking
  - Public health reporting
  - Disease and treatment surveillance





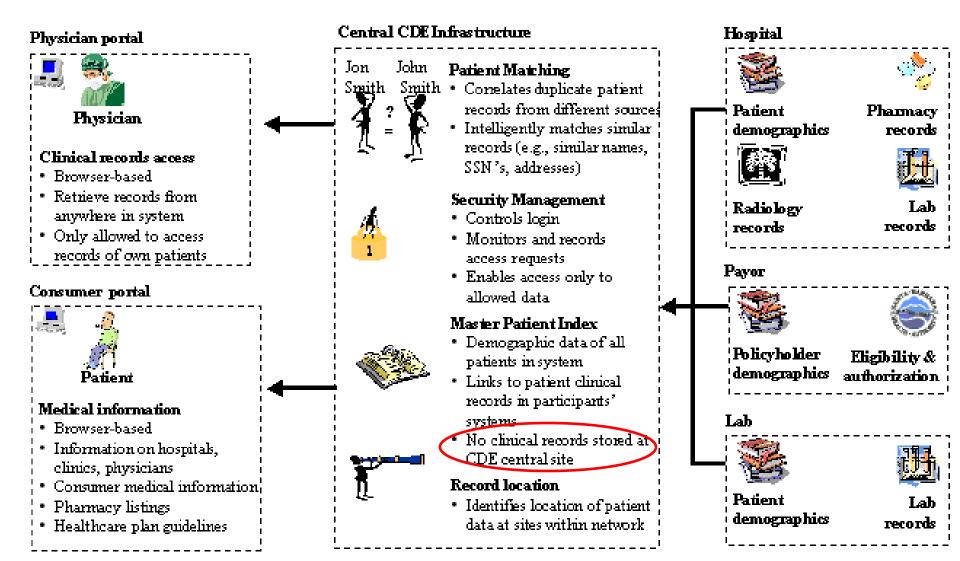
### **Data Exchange Precepts**

- Cross-enterprise access
  - Local control of data
- Inexpensive operation
  - Use public Internet connectivity
- "Open Standard" design
  - Employ industry standard interfaces
- Care improvement focus
  - Reduce medical errors and redundancies
  - Enhance consumer and physician role





# Care Data Exchange: Peer-to-Peer Technology



Source: McKinsey



### **Data Protection Approach**

#### Physician Request

**Identity Credentials** 

#### Relationship Verification

- Prior Treatment
- Emergency
- Referral

**Sponsor Consent** 

Requester Consent

**Holder Consent** 

#### **Consumer Request**

**Identity Credentials** 

Physician Authorization

Result





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### Care Data Exchange Benefits Basis

Connecting any one constituent

Value to constituents

Networking multiple constituents

#### **Quantifiable Benefits**

- Lab savings
  - Lower cost of lab results delivery
  - Less staff time spent handling lab test results
- Radiology savings
  - Lower cost of radiology results delivery
  - Less staff time spent handling radiology results
- Less time spent fulfilling external requests for information
- Payor transaction costs
- Fewer admissions from the ED
- Fewer readmissions
- Fewer medical errors
- Fewer readmissions
- Shortened hospital length of stay
- Enhanced revenue from proper coding
- Test duplication avoidance
- Staff saving- less time spent requesting information
- Payor transaction costs





### Clinical Benefits Under Evaluation

- Higher quality of care
  - More information to aid in diagnosis and treatment plan
- Higher quality of patient interaction
  - Less time is spent obtaining data from patient
- Higher satisfaction of staff and physicians
  - Easier access to clinical information
- Better population health
  - More complete longitudinal information available
- Fewer redundant tests
  - Easier to obtain information than to repeat
- Stronger health promotion
  - Easy consumer access to clinical information



