

Introduction to Personal Health Records – Update: Implementation challenges

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National trends

- President's 10-year commitment (2014?)
- HHS: American Health Information Community Consumer Empowerment "Breakthrough"
- Congress Carper, Porter, Kennedy bills for federal employees
- AHIP and BCBS 100 million Americans
- Major employers IBM, PepsiCo, Intel consortium
- Major providers VA, Kaiser, Partners
- Consumer organizations AARP, National Health Council
- Internet companies Intuit, Microsoft, Google, WebMD

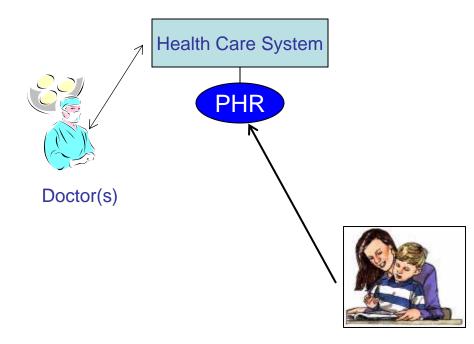
What do we know about adoption and use so far?

- Provider portals reach 15-20% of patients to whom offered
 - Computer skilled
 - High users (visits, meds)
- Most other approaches with small uptake, except incentivized (e.g., IBM \$150)
- Transactions heavily used
- Specialized products seem to have more user interest

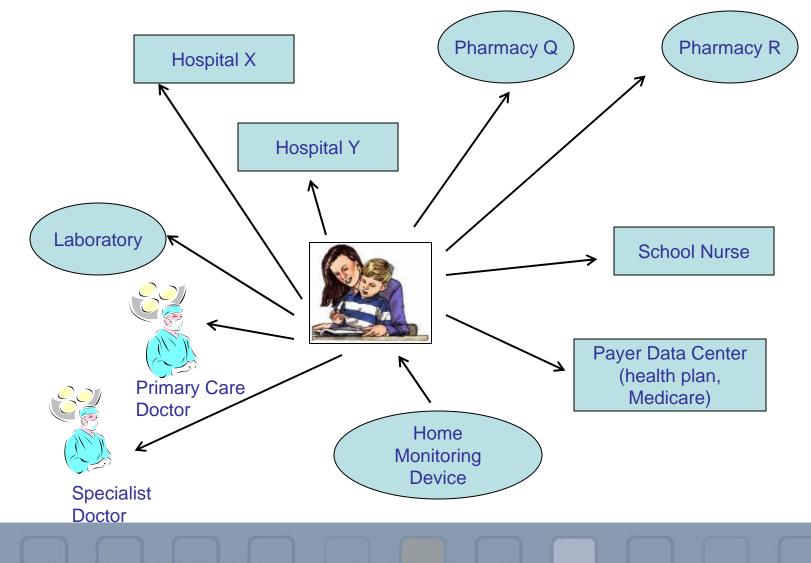
The many sources of PHR – c. 2007

- 1. Providers and their portals
- 2. Employer sponsored
- 3. Health plan connected
- 4. Government agencies
- 5. Free-standing ("untethered")
- 6. Dot-coms, internet portals
- 7. Pharmacies and PBMs
- 8. Device manufacturers
- 9. Affinity groups
- 10.Financial services companies

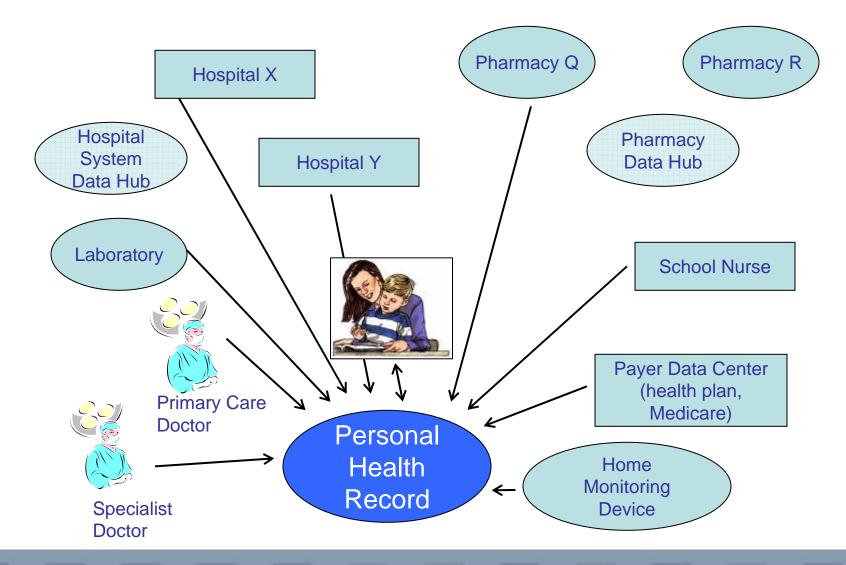
The simple case



The reality...

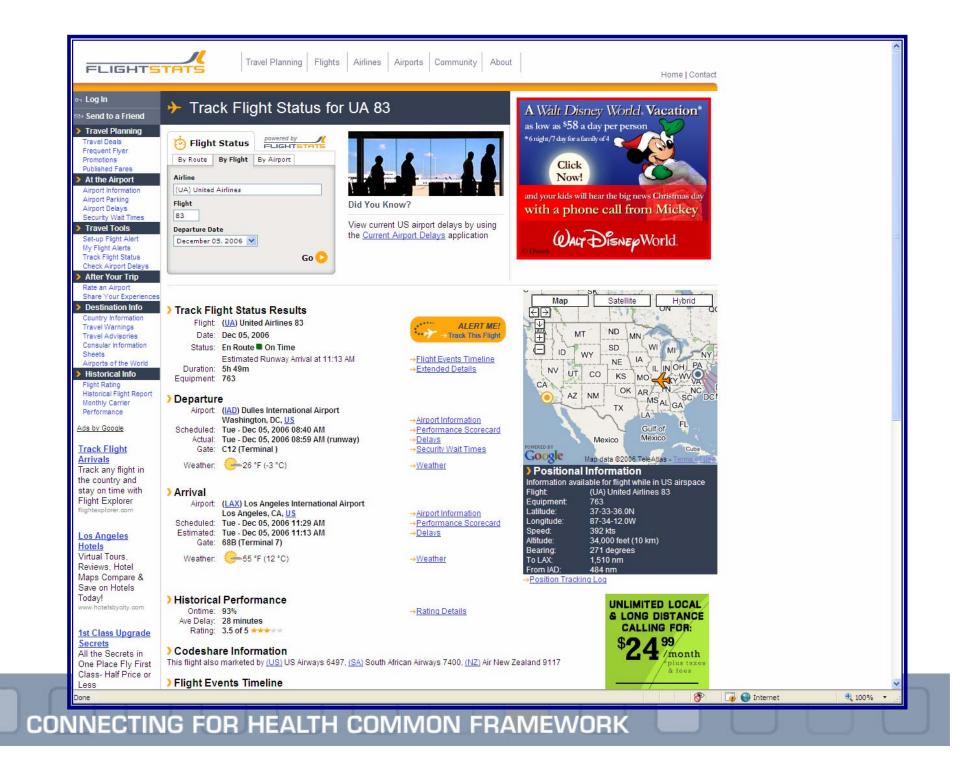


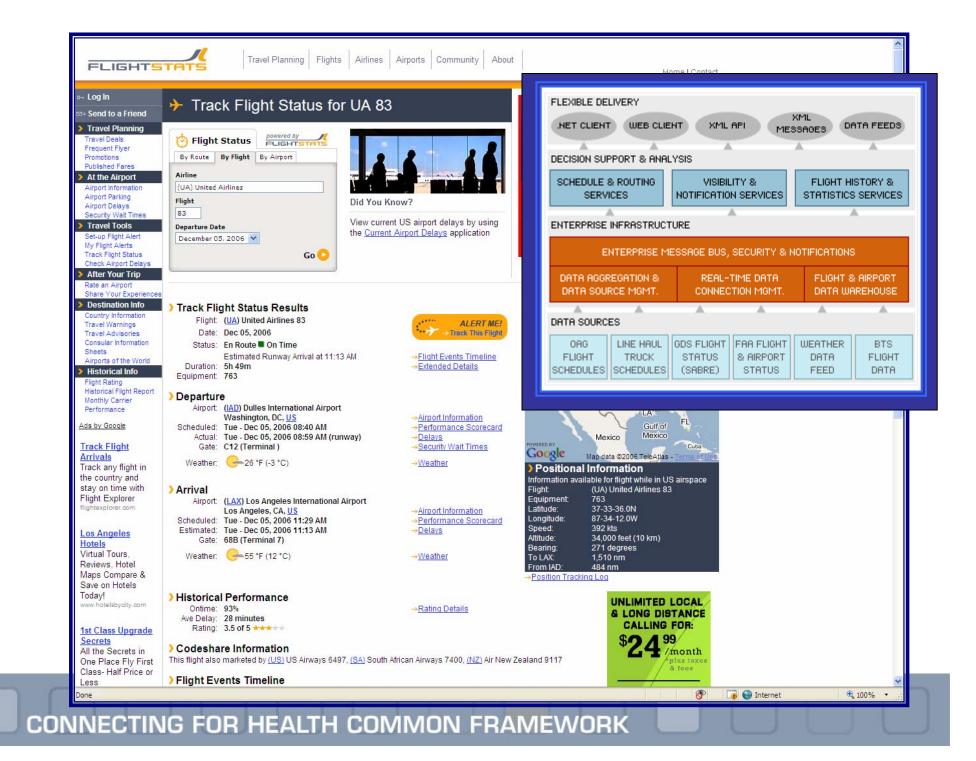
The Networked PHR



PHR landscape

- **Key question:** Are we headed for integration or just more silos?
- Key wildcards:
 - Public reaction to data spills
 - Congressional privacy debate
 - Public perceptions defined by one approach



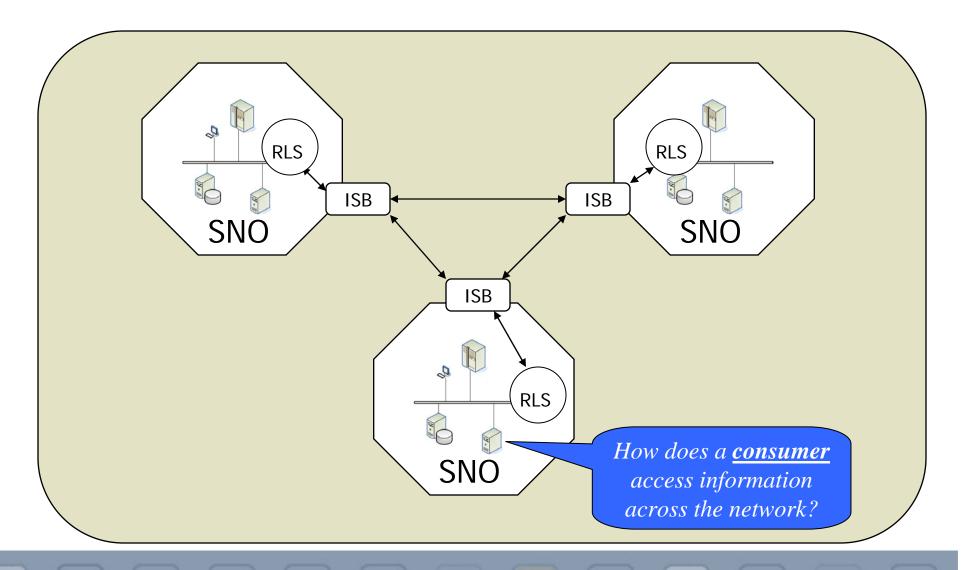


Features of a "networked" approach

- 'Networked' consumers drive transformative change in other sectors.
 - Content
 - E-commerce
 - Personal finance
 - Etc.
- A common ingredient is a fresh openness toward consumer access to, and contribution of, information.
- Truly "networked" PHRs would stimulate innovation.
- Consumers and health professionals gain opportunities to transform care delivery and roles.
- A network needs common rules, particularly for privacy.

Creating a networked PHR environment that achieves sustainable consumer confidence

Common Framework architecture

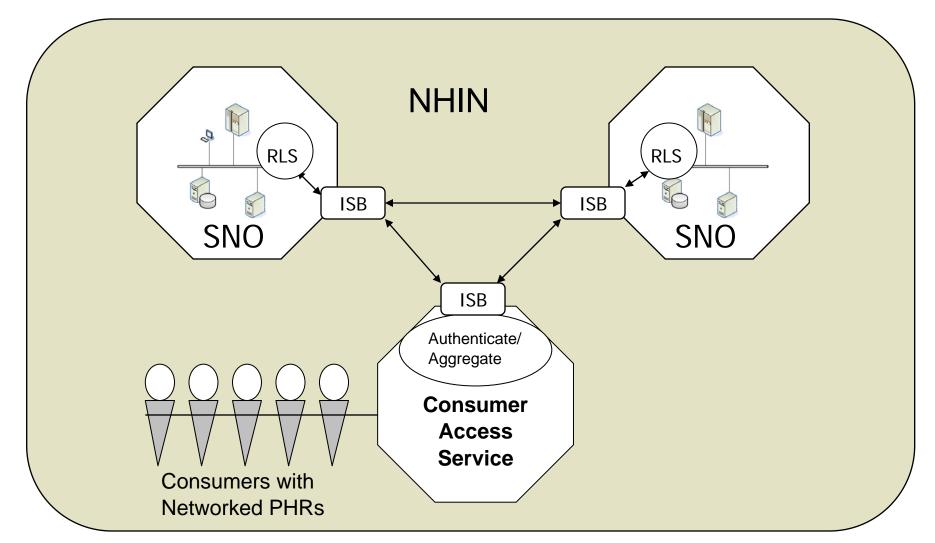


Individual Consumers Will Need Mediating Bodies to Facilitate Their Access to the Network

Functions:

- Distribute services to populations of consumers.
- Issue individuals' identity credentials and "vouch" for them as network users.
- Help consumers access and aggregate their personal health data and connect with various services.
- Assure that network-wide policies (e.g., privacy and information practices) are followed.

Consumer Access Services



Potential Sponsors of Consumer Access Services

- Affinity groups (e.g., AARP, labor unions)
- "Retail" PHR providers (e.g., WebMD, Intuit, Medem)
- Consumer portals (e.g., Google, Yahoo)
- Data clearinghouses (e.g., SureScripts)
- Retail pharmacies (e.g., Walgreens, Wal-Mart)
- Health plans (e.g., AHIP, BCBS)
- Provider organizations (e.g., VA, Kaiser Permanente)

Keys to Success?

- Defining a Consumer Access Service that is trusted by consumers.
- Defining a Consumer Access Service that is trusted by other participants on the network.
- Determining minimum necessary privacy and security policies and practices.

Needed policy framework for CAS

- Does HIPAA address privacy and security concerns?
- Authentication
- Authorization
- Consent and notification
- Consumer control of information sharing, including audit
- Rules for secondary use, data mining
- Consumer annotations and edits to their data
- Data management systems
- Governance, transparency, remedies

Road to a Networked PHR

- High public interest in PHR features and services coupled with concern about privacy
- Many significant offerings in the works, with risk of creating new information silos
- All will face common challenges accessing data across the "network":
 - Standards issues
 - Architecture issues
 - Policy issues
- A common policy and technical framework will be essential to achieved "networked" personal health record

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