

# Beyond Query and Exchange – Innovations in Health Information Exchange Services

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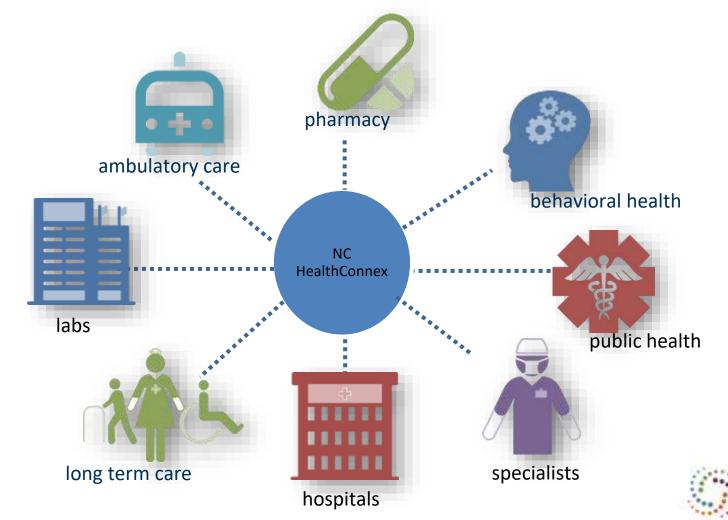
## About NC HealthConnex





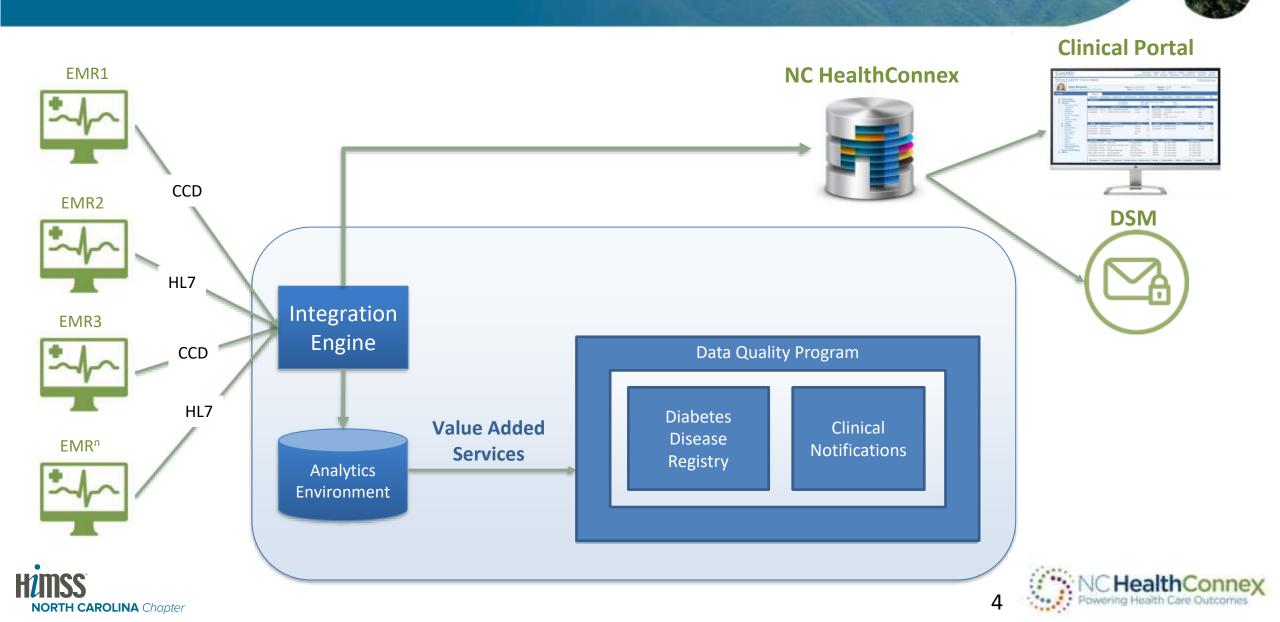
#### What is NC HealthConnex?

A Health Information Exchange (HIE) is a secure, electronic network that gives authorized health care providers the ability to access and share health-related information across a statewide information highway.





#### NC HealthConnex High Level Dataflow



#### The Mandate

- Hospitals as defined by G.S. 131E-176(3), doctors (licensed to practice under Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes), and mid-level practitioners who provide Medicaid services and who have an electronic health record shall connect by June 1, 2018.
- All other providers of Medicaid and state-funded services shall connect by June 1, 2019.







#### **Connection Overview**

#### 1100+ CONNECTIONS

Total Health Care Facilities Live

80+ County Health Departments and Federally Qualified Health Centers

**35+** Hospitals & Health Systems

**300+** Primary Care Providers

**500+** Ambulatory Sites, including specialty providers

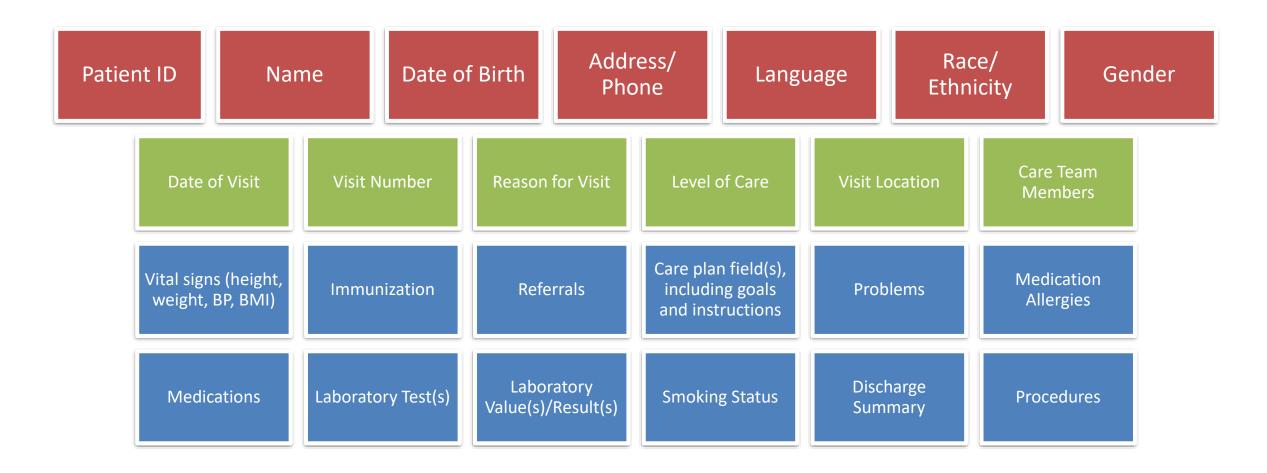


\*These partners are not a conclusive list of all of Participants. For a complete list of connected providers, visit our website: <a href="https://nc-healthconnex-participants">nchealthconnex-participants</a>





#### NC HealthConnex Current Data Targets





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- Lisa's family & care team are struggling to keep up with all of her varied health care information across her care continuum.





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# How Can NC HealthConnex help Lisa and her family?



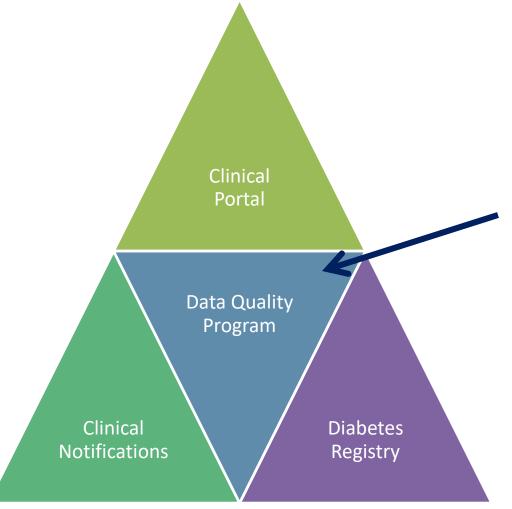


## Value Added Services





#### Services Available in 2018



#### **Data Quality Program**

- Support NC HealthConnex Onboarding Process
- Ensure real-time notification of data delivery issues
- Educate and support Participants trying to improve their data to support Quality Improvement and other initiatives
- Confirm data is aligned with policies that ensure high-quality and accurate data outputs

Foundational element that supports ALL Services





#### Data Quality – Participant Onboarding

STATUS	DATA	ALERT
Pass	Patient Information	0 of 32 records contained insufficient Patient info
Fail	Provider Information	16 of 32 records contained insufficient Provider info
Fail	Facility Information	32 of 32 records contained insufficient Facility info

During Onboarding to NC HealthConnex, Participants are alerted when there is a problem with required data elements.

In addition, Participants can drill-down to see the specific Provider and Facility information that is missing.

Participants are also able to look-up the specific clinical documents/messages that contained insufficient information.

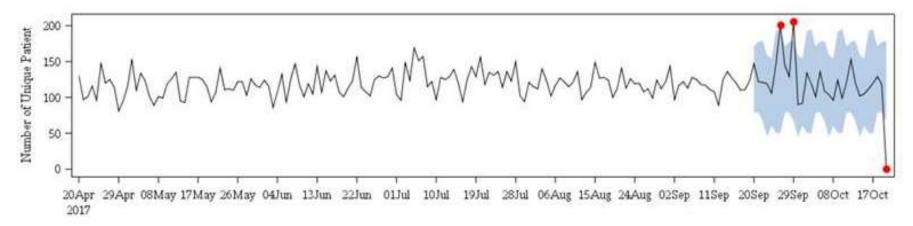
Provider	In	forma	tion

Variable	Percent of Records Populated		
Provider NPI	50.00%		
Provider Last Name	100.00%		
Provider Middle Name	50.00%		
Provider First Name	100.00%	CCD	
Provider Address	50.00%	CCD	
Provider City	0.00%	1	

CCD	CCD Extension	
1	1_1_100_1_1	
2	1_1_100_1_2	
3	1_1_100_1_3	
4	1_1_100_1_4	



#### Data Quality – Ongoing Monitoring



Participants are provided a monthly report that alerts them to anomalies in their data submitted to NC HealthConnex.

Potential problems are listed along with suggested priority for these problems, and allows for drill-down to see detail.

STATUS	PROBLEM	Number of Days
Critical	Abnormal amount of documents submitted	4
Critical	Abnormal amount of patients	3
Needs Review Drop in percent of documents populating Care Plan		1
Needs Review Drop in percent of documents populating Reason for Visit		2

Problem	Date Occurred	Day of Week	Median Value	Current Value
Abnormal amount of patients	20OCT2017	Friday	123	0
Abnormal amount of documents submitted	20OCT2017	Friday	126.5	0
Abnormal amount of documents submitted	12OCT2017	Thursday	132.5	307

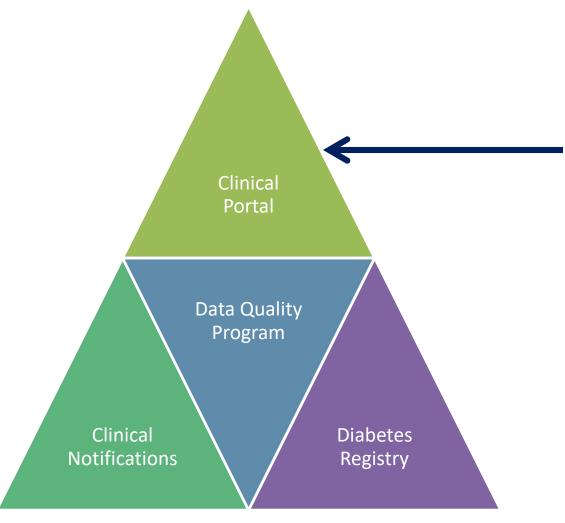


#### Data Quality – Ongoing Monitoring (cont.)

NC HealthConnex monitors data submissions overall, and by Sending Source and Organization. In the example below, one Organization stopped sending Smoking Status – one of the required elements from the Data Target.



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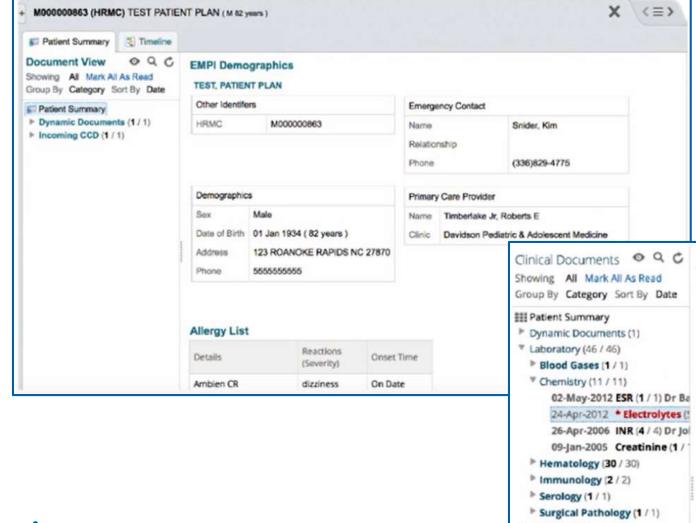
#### **NC HealthConnex Clinical Portal**

- State-wide, longitudinal view of a patient's medical record across different care providers, health systems, etc.
- Access to Direct Secure Messaging (DSM)





#### NC HealthConnex Clinical Portal



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Providers may view summary information about patients, as well as see the detail clinical documents that contributed to that summary.



#### Lisa's relationship to the Clinical Portal

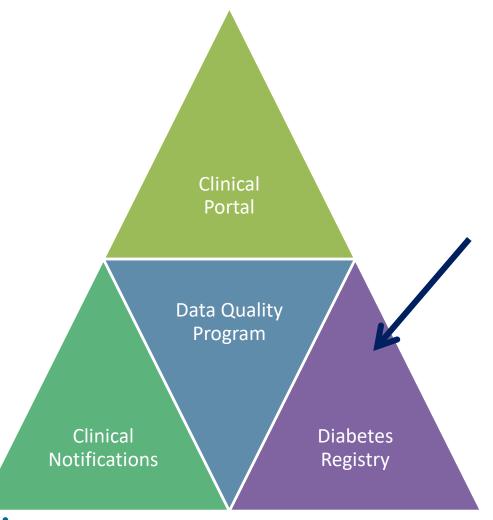


- Lisa's care continuum extends across the state of NC.
- Lisa's providers are often in different networks, but are able to leverage NC HealthConnex's Clinical Portal to see all of Lisa's encounters, medications, allergies, diagnoses, etc.
- Full and in-depth view of Lisa's longitudinal patient record.





#### Services Available in 2018



#### **Diabetes Disease Registry**

- Partnership between the NC DHHS's DPH and NC HealthConnex.
- Starting June 1, supports attestation for Meaningful Use Stage 3 and Modified Stage 2 for eligible hospitals, eligible critical access hospitals, and eligible professionals as well as Medicare Quality Payment Program Advancing Care Information for eligible clinicians
- Also includes a subscription based service for Participants where detail clinical data is provided based on a list of Participant's Patients
- Currently evaluating other clinical registries beyond Diabetes



#### Diabetes Disease Registry

NC DHHS's DPH regularly receives data and visualizations used for tracking the clinical care and outcomes of the patient population in North Carolina diagnosed with or presenting signs or symptoms of Diabetes.

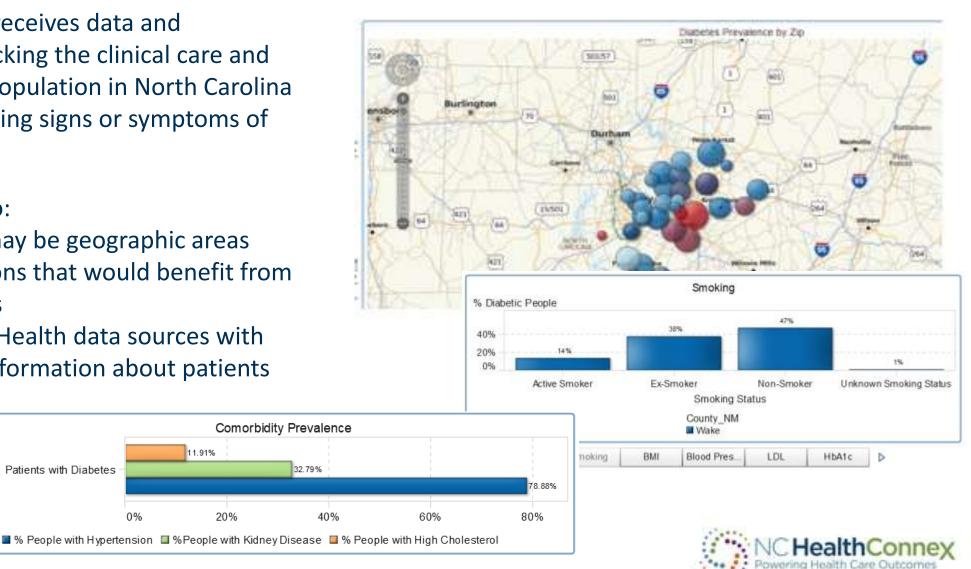
#### This information is used to:

Identify where there may be geographic areas and/or other populations that would benefit from public health programs

Augment other Public Health data sources with de-identified clinical information about patients

Patients with Diabetes

with Diabetes





#### Lisa's relationship to the Diabetes Registry

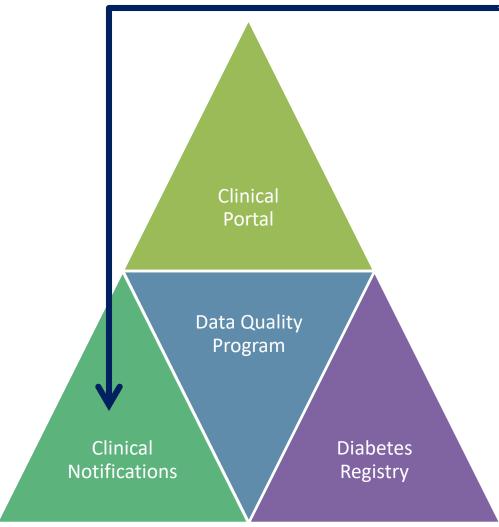


- Lisa is living with Type I Diabetes
- Lisa's encounter data will populate the NC DHHS's DPH NC HealthConnex Diabetes Registry to help NC DHHS's DPH better understand and provide support to North Carolinians living with Type I or Type II diabetes





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#### **Clinical Notifications**

- Subscription-based service to notify
   Providers as their patients receive services across the care continuum spans geography, hospital systems, acute and ambulatory care settings, etc.
- Custom lists allow cohorts of Patients tuned to Providers' interest
- Custom delivery methods to integrate into Provider workflows





#### Clinical Notifications - The Process

### Step 1 – Participant submits

#### **SUBSCRIPTION FILE**

Data	Description/Use
Organization Information	Used for enterprise matching
Local Patient Identifier	Used for enterprise matching
Patient Name	Alternative matching criteria
Patient DOB	Alternative matching criteria
Patient Address	Alternative matching criteria
Patient Phone	Alternative matching criteria
PCP Information	Future use case

- SFTP/DSM
- Patient Files
- Incremental Updates
- Patient Lookup

## **Step 2 – NC HealthConnex Event Capture Review**

**1. Patient Lookup** (Enterprise ID)

**2. Events Capture**Real-time evaluation and filtering

3. Events Storage

## Step 3 – Participant receives

#### **NOTIFICATION FILE**

Data	Description/Use
(All Data from Inbound)	Echoed back for matching
Date of Clinical Event	Actual date of event
Date Event Received	Accounts for batch feeds
Clinical Event Type	Admit or Discharge
Patient Class	Inpatient, Outpatient, Emergency, etc.
Participant Feed	Sender of the data (EMR, Enterprise Org, etc.)
Facility Name	Participant level facility

- SFTP/DSM
- Notification files
- Custom delivery intervals



#### Lisa's relationship to Clinical Notifications



- Lisa recently had an ER visit while on vacation in another part of the State
- After receiving information via NC
   HealthConnex's Clinical Notifications file,
   Lisa's PCP reached out to Lisa's parents to
   ensure that everything was okay with Lisa.
- Additionally, Lisa's PCP imported historical Clinical Notifications received from NC HealthConnex into her own analytics tool and can see this was an isolated incident.



## Next Steps





#### On the Horizon...

- Controlled Substance Reporting (CSRS)
   Integration
- Use Case Workgroup (UCW)
- eHealth Exchange Connections (GAHIN
   & VA currently connected)





