



WHAT IS HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE?

HIEs efficiently store patients' healthcare information digitally, then allows connected healthcare facilities/providers to securely share patient information among physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers in a timely manner. HIE utilization may improve patient care coordination and transitions of care by allowing access to patients' most recent test results, procedures, diagnosis, medications, allergies, demographics and more, resulting in a more comprehensive picture of patients.

- Patients see a number of providers and hospitals over time; an incomplete health status is the norm for many patients. High-risk patients see, on average, 10 unique providers annually with data spread across care settings.
- Too often, patient information is exchanged still by mail or FAX.
- HIE participation results in a more informed decision-maker and helps providers avoid readmissions, reduce medication errors, make more timely diagnoses and decrease duplicate testing.
- Data sharing is key to informing providers of the services their patients may be receiving at external organizations.
- Absent HIEs, the exchange of medical information between disconnected healthcare providers is ad hoc and laden with frictions.

WHO IS KONZA?

KONZA supports health information exchanges in conjunction with several state medical societies, which includes more than 7 million unique patients and over 10,000 providers in Kansas, Missouri, Louisiana, South Carolina, New Jersey, Connecticut, Georgia and Mississippi. KONZA also connects to other health information exchanges and to the national eHealth Exchange. Patients, physicians, healthcare facilities, and providers from across the country benefit from KONZA's delivery of unequalled actionable intelligence.

Our goal at KONZA is to improve healthcare quality, coordination and efficiency through the exchange of health information at the point of care. The KONZA data warehouse stores and aggregates clinical data from KONZA members' EHR systems. We utilize a secure electronic network provided by a collaboration of healthcare organizations, ultimately streamlining healthcare information for health professionals and patients.

The KONZA network and platform is available to any organization in the nation, regardless of the state your facility is in.

To learn more about the KONZA HIE network, visit www.konza.org/contact.