

Improve patient care with your EHR

Unfortunately, a well-functioning Electronic Health Records (EHR) platform is not a “plug-and-play” system. You may be looking at 3 months to 2 years before you are up to speed. Now is the time to make sure you can implement an EHR system that can keep you out in front of your competitors.



Why implement EHR?

- EHR is driven by Patient Outcomes requirements. Documenting and ultimately improving clinical and health outcomes are achievable with better data that also increase transparency and efficiency, empower individuals in decisions about care, and provide more robust research data on health systems.
- Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) work with LTPAC providers who exchange data. Those providers who can document increased census and improved patient outcomes are easier to work with and will be a part of the network’s preferred provider group.
- Meaningful Use compliance provides incentives. EHRs support the Meaningful Use standard by improving quality, safety, efficiency and reducing health disparities; engaging patients and family; improving care coordination and maintaining privacy and security of patient health information.
- In order to qualify for reimbursements from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), providers need to electronically upload information. A well-functioning EHR expedites the process, accelerating both reimbursement filing and receipt.

Our process:

- **Phase 0: Internal business review and selection process** Provider determines EHR platform and business direction prior to the EHR Readiness review
- **Phase 1: Infrastructure** Review of hardware and configuration, lifecycle planning, monitoring and security for equipment and users
- **Phase 2: Endpoint/end user** Hardware review, lifecycle planning, endpoint management and Service Desk support
- **Phase 3: Application review and documentation** Review of enterprise applications, staffing and licensing
- **Phase 4: Strategic Planning** Review business and technology plans; create IT strategic plan; review or create a multi-year IT budget; review outsourcing/ cloud options where applicable
- **Phase 5: Disaster recovery and business continuity** Review disaster recovery (DR) requirements and back-up (software/data); build formal DR plan; evaluate cloud providers for high availability or DR strategy

We will thoroughly assess your EHR readiness and provide the proper support to expedite its implementation. Our consulting expertise will help you pull together what you need to meet current and future EHR requirements. Our solution will review the most critical areas to determine if the right infrastructure, staff and technology systems are in place to support your EHR system, including:

- Network connectivity
- Wireless connectivity for devices such as tablets or kiosks on wheels
- Service Desk and IT support staffing
- Server hardware and capacity planning