



NC HIE is a secure, private network

- NC HIE follows the highest information security standards available. Information is always encrypted and sent over a private network when shared between NC HIE and health care providers participating in the network.
- Information that identifies you will never be sold, your name won't be added to any mailing list, and information will not be shared with your employer.
- NC HIE keeps track of everyone who views your record, including what parts they look at and when they look at it. You can request this tracking report by calling, toll-free: **855-926-1042**.

Your choices

- Your health care provider has chosen to be a part of NC HIE because of the many benefits of sharing health information electronically. You may choose not to participate ("opt-out"). Your choice to opt-out will not affect your ability to access medical care. You can opt out by calling, toll-free, **855-926-1042**, or by filling out the opt-out form available in your health care provider's office or online at www.nchie.org.
- If you opt-out, your health information will only be available to your health care providers in an emergency.
- If you opt-out, you can later take action to participate again by calling, toll-free: **855-926-1042**.

NC Health Information Exchange

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NORTH CAROLINA
HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE



About NC Health Information Exchange (NC HIE)

Your health care provider is connected to NC HIE

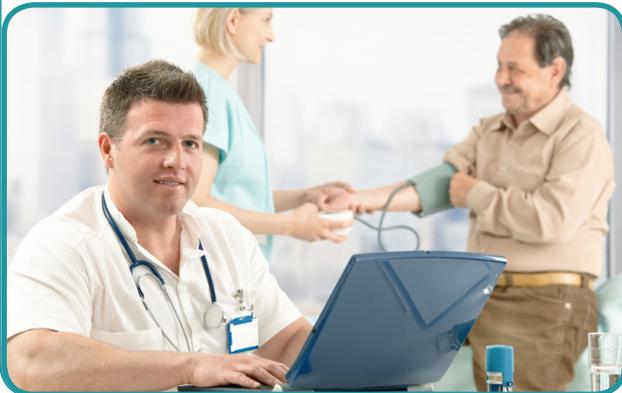
NC HIE is a secure computer system for doctors, hospitals and other health care providers to share information that can improve your care. NC HIE helps health care providers deliver better, easier, safer care by linking your key medical information from all of your health care providers to create a single electronic patient health record.

About NC HIE

NC HIE helps participating health care providers quickly access the information they need to make more informed decisions about your care, especially in an emergency. Health care providers already share patient health records through fax, email, and mail when needed for your care.

NC HIE makes it easier, faster, and more secure. Without using NC HIE, health care providers have only the information they've entered into your medical record. But with NC HIE, they see a more complete record, including medications, test results and other information entered by all of your participating health care providers.

NC HIE will also assist in preventing the spread of disease by quickly reporting certain illnesses and conditions (like Lyme disease or food poisoning), to public health experts at the NC Department of Health and Human Services.



NC HIE is a NC-based, independent, nonprofit organization

- **NC-based:** The Board of Directors includes individuals who are active and prominent in the medical community in NC and represent a variety of health care organizations.
- **Independent:** NC HIE is independent and is not owned by insurance companies, health care organizations, or government.
- **Nonprofit:** NC HIE is a private nonprofit organization. It is funded by many sources including charitable foundations, NC health care providers, and federal government grants.

Benefits of NC HIE

NC HIE helps improve health care

- Better coordination between health care providers
- Fewer medical errors
- Improved patient safety
- Better patient health outcomes
- Fewer repeat tests and procedures
- Less paperwork for you and your health care providers
- Reduced health care costs
- Faster identification and reporting of public health threats

NC HIE includes important information about your health

Included in your NC HIE record:

- Medicines (prescriptions), allergies, lab and test results, image reports, conditions, diagnoses, and vaccination history.
- Your name, birth date, address, sex, phone number, and the last four digits of your Social Security number to make sure your health information is entered into the correct record.

Not Included in your NC HIE record:

Information documented by a substance abuse treatment facility.