

What is the ILHIE?

The Illinois health Information Exchange (ILHIE) is a statewide, secure network for sharing patient health information electronically between healthcare providers to improve patient care.



EHR Connect

A Secure, Electronic, Patient Health Record Request and Retrieval Service

As the primary service of the Illinois Health Information Exchange (ILHIE); EHR Connect is a secure, aggregated, request and retrieval transport network. Before, or at time of care EHR Connect allows providers to request and receive encrypted, up-to-date patient medical information. In moments, the health records are aggregated from multiple provider sources including primary care, hospitals, specialists and others. Records can include patient diagnosis, medications, allergies, lab and image reports, discharge summaries and more. In a time of care teams, medical homes and patients seeing many providers, EHR Connect simplifies care management by filling in communication gaps in the continuum of care by keeping all members connected.

Benefits of EHR Connect:

- Improved Treatment Outcomes and Care Coordination
- Increased Patient Communications and Engagement
- Fewer Forms for Providers and Patients to Fill Out
- Improved Public Health Reporting and Monitoring

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ILHIE Direct

A Web-Based, HIPAA-Compliant, Secure Messaging Solution

ILHIE Direct secure messaging works just like regular email yet it allows the secure, electronic exchange of patient health information. ILHIE Direct is HIPAA compliant and can be used with or without an Electronic Health Record (EHR) system. All that is needed is an Internet connection, web browser and a communication partner with a Direct address to exchange health information. ILHIE Direct enables the attachment of large files and high resolution image documents. ILHIE Direct can be integrated into an EHR system (See Integrated Direct below)



Integrated Direct

An EHR-Integrated, HIPAA-Compliant, Secure Messaging Solution

With Integrated Direct you can sign into your EHR and exchange data with anyone both within and outside your EHR system such as: physician practices, hospitals, health centers, other health care entities and patients. Sent messages are retrievable from within the EHR's messaging function. Use Integrated Direct to extend your communications network. Just sign into your EHR and send secure messages with attachments such as continuity of care, transfer of care, referrals and lab images.



For more information about secure Direct messaging, visit ILHIEDirect.net

Privacy & Security

The ILHIE Authority is responsible for ensuring the privacy and security of patient records

- Electronic Health Records are protected with passwords, encryption, and other technical safeguards to make sure that only the right people have access to information
- In accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has set forth standards for protecting the privacy and security of certain health information

For more information about the Illinois Health Information Exchange (ILHIE), visit ILHIE.org.

For more information about Health Information Technology, visit HealthIT.gov.