Bidirectional Data Exchange

Bidirectional data exchange means patient and vaccine data are electronically sent from your EHR to the IIS, matched with records in the IIS, and sent back from the IIS to your EHR.

How Does It Work?

Patient enters clinic to receive a vaccination.

The physician enters the administered vaccine into the EHR which updates the patient record in NMSIS.

The physician knows which vaccines to give to the patient to make sure they are up-to-date and fully protected.

NMSIS forecast shows the patient is also due for their DTaP vaccine.

The EHR sends a message to the IIS to find a matching patient record.

NMSIS sends a message to the EHR with the patient’s full immunization history.

Benefits of Bidirectional Data Exchange

- **Saves Time.** Improves Outcomes.
  - Patient immunization history (if reported by previous NM provider) and forecast information are available in your EHR system right away without logging into NMSIS.
  - The IIS identifies vaccines the patient needs, based on the CDC-recommended schedule.
  - The IIS sends vaccines recommendations tailored to the patient’s needs, saving time interpreting the complex vaccine schedule.

- **Interoperability and Performance Benefits.**
  - Assures your clinic meets requirements for Stage 3 of the EHR Incentive Program (Meaningful Use).
  - Helps maximize Medicare Merit-Based Incentive Payments (MIPS).
  - Improves success with pay-for-performance and quality improvement efforts.

Data Integrity

- Data quality is assessed when data exchange between a provider’s EHR and the IIS is set up, and monitored for ongoing data completeness and accuracy.
- NMSIS has a rigorous process for assuring patients in the EHR accurately match the patients in the IIS so the correct record is sent back to the EHR.
- Patient vaccines received from multiple sources are carefully matched in the IIS to ensure the record accurately reflects vaccines the patient received, and which vaccines are needed.

How To Get Started

Please visit nmhealth.org/about/phd/idb/imp/siis/ for more information.

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