



## Solutions for Healthcare



## An Update

# The Nationwide Health Information Network

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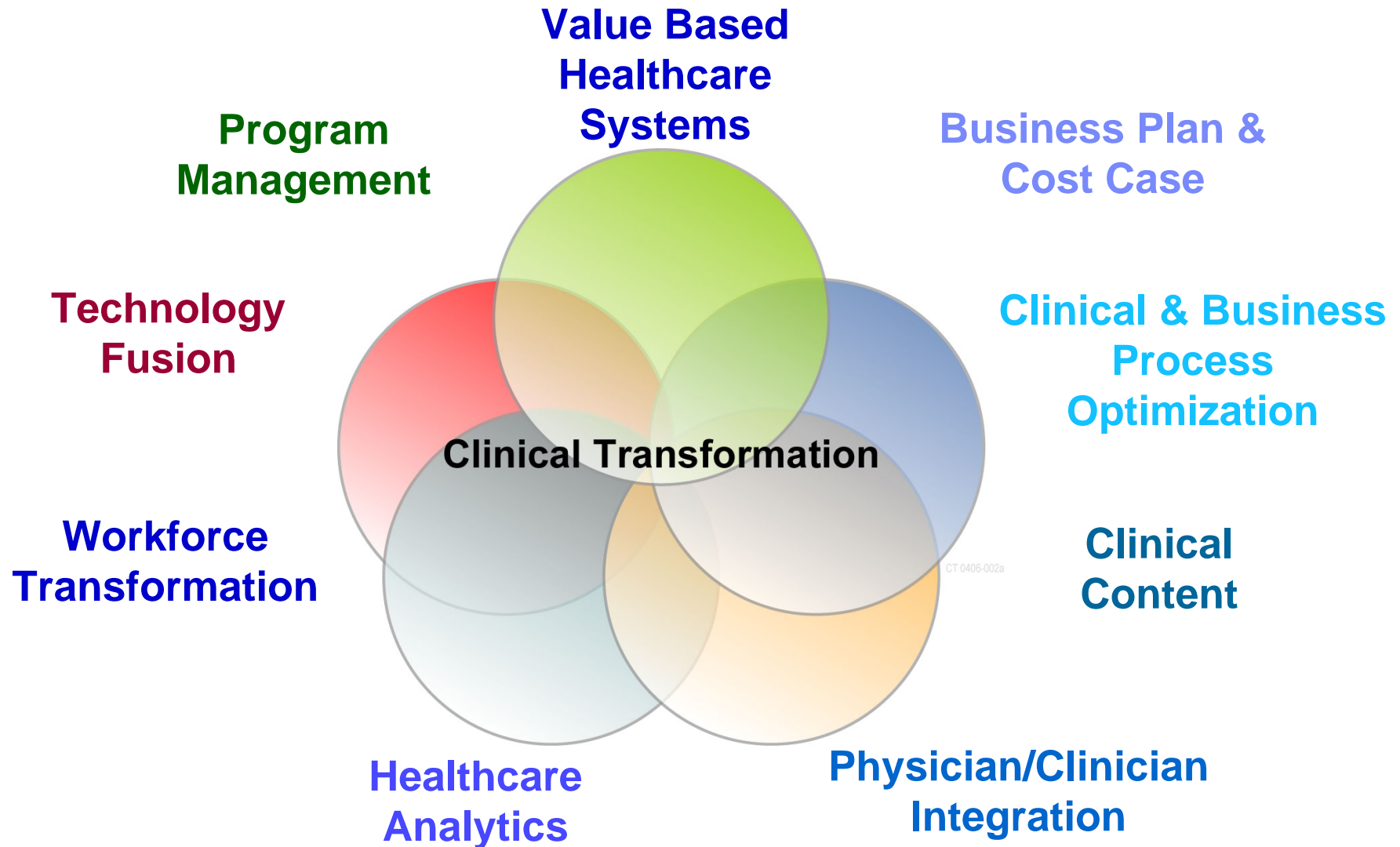
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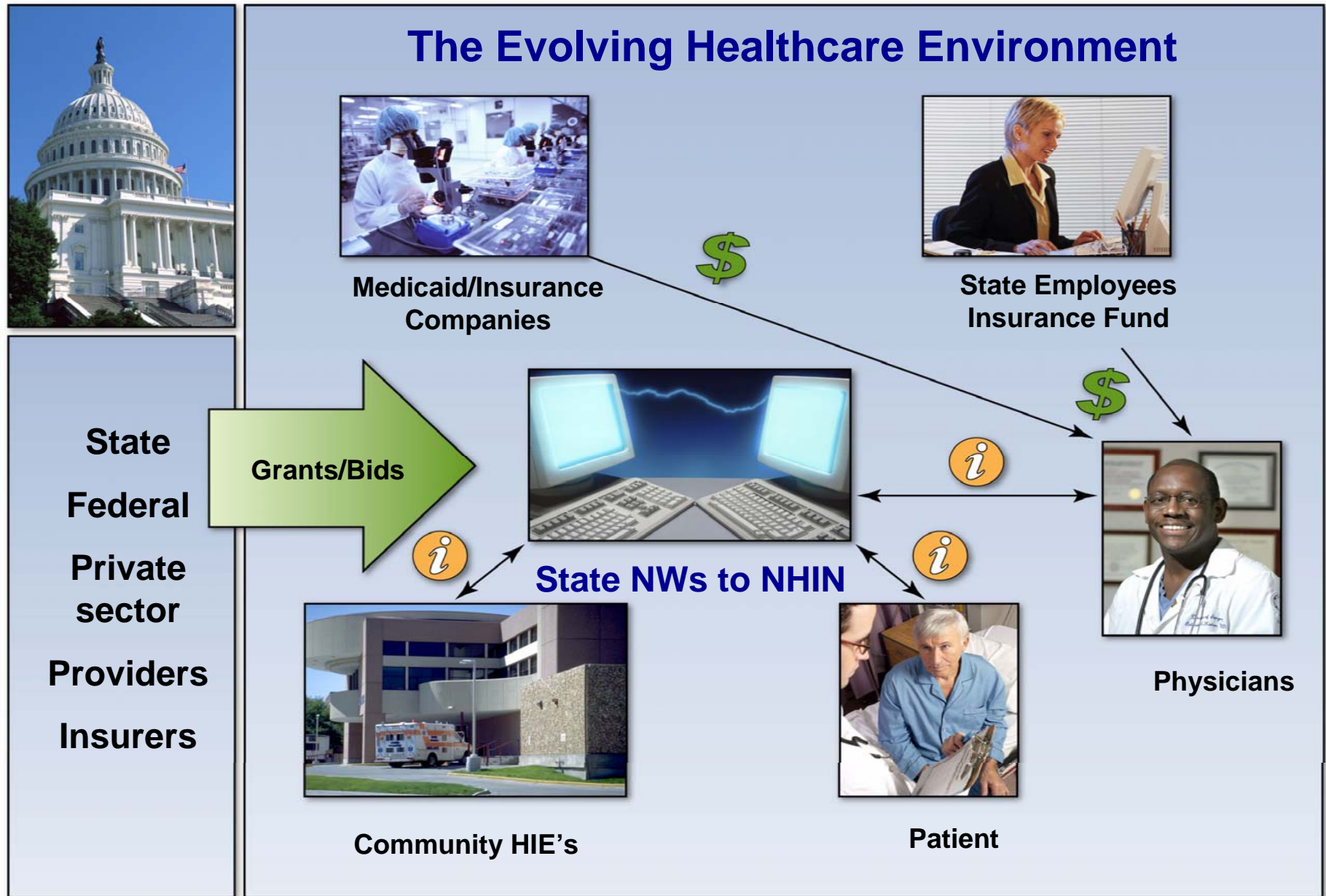
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# Integrated Approach to Clinical Transformation





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# Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN -- HHS/ONC )

- Provide consumers with capabilities to manage their information use/flow
- Allow health information to follow the consumer
- Provide critical information to clinicians at the point of care
- Improve HC, population health, and prevention of illness and disease

## PHASE 1: Architecture Prototypes

### Goal

- Develop and evaluate prototypes of an NHIN architecture that maximize use of existing resources to achieve interoperability among healthcare applications – particularly EHRs

### Key Criteria

- Design and demonstrate a standards-based architecture

## PHASE 2: Trial Implementations

### Goal

State, regional and non-geographic HIEs to become ... “network of networks”

- Organizational governance and trust across competing healthcare markets,
- Health exchange and technical expertise such as demonstrated in the NHIN prototype

### Key Criteria

- Demonstrate trial implementations in live HC environments (HIEs)
- Function across HC markets and other participants . . . in Use Case activities
- Include **core services** and implementation of **summary patient record exchange**
- Demonstrate via Use Cases (2 Each)

–Demonstrate within and between HC marketplaces

*Improving health and care by accelerating the adoption of information technology*



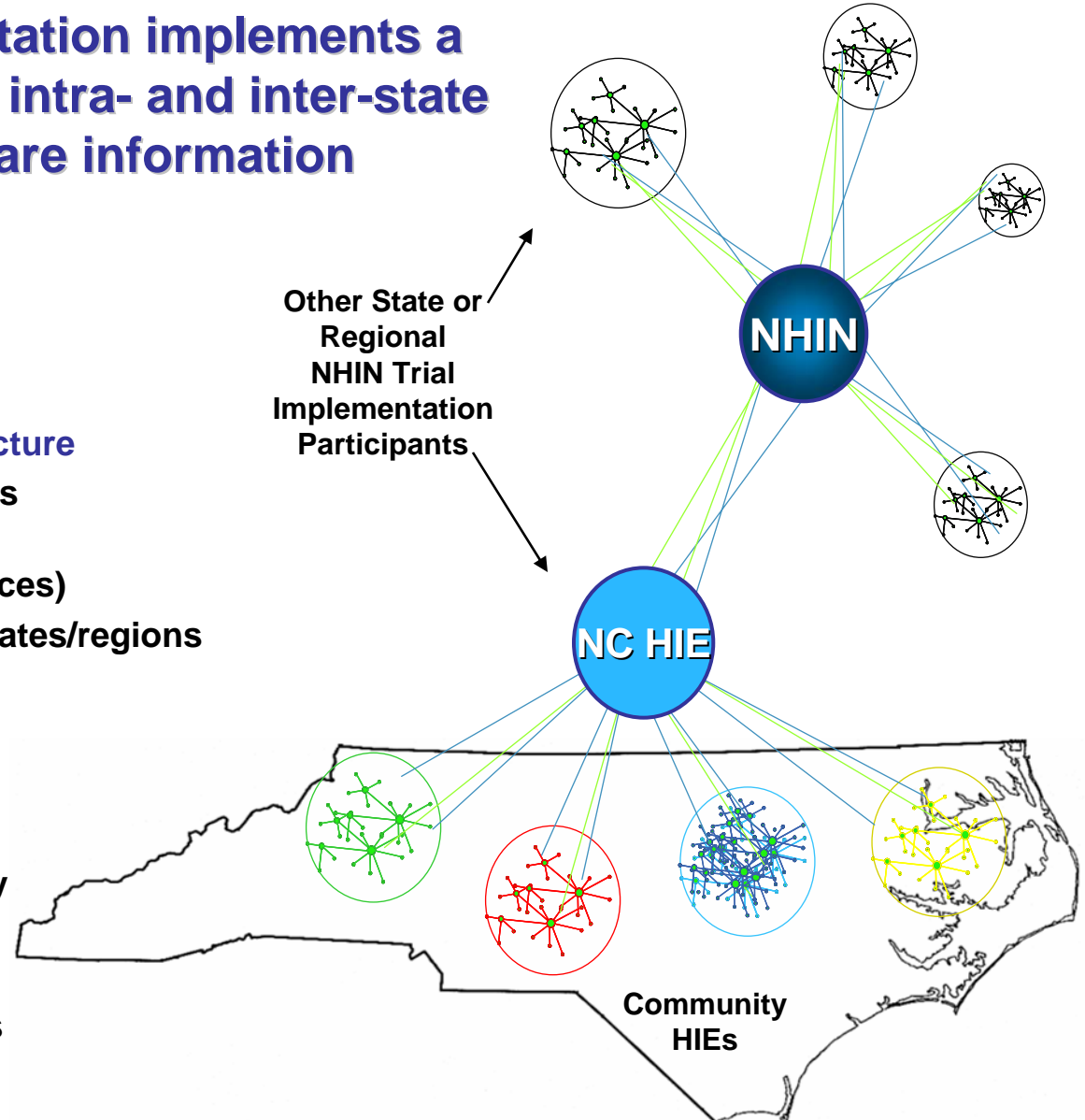
## The NHIN Trial Implementation implements a “network of networks” for intra- and inter-state exchange of healthcare information

### NC HIE

- Convener, Educator, Facilitator
  - Privacy/security framework
  - Standards/reference architecture
- Incubator for piloting new concepts
- Utility for Foundational Services (e.g., EMPI, Record Locator Services)
- NHIN compliant linkage to other states/regions

### Community HIEs

- Encourage EHR adoption and “last mile” connectivity
- Develop real-time patient summary and data aggregation capabilities
- Provide training and education
- Engage non-provider stakeholders (payers, employers, public health)



## The Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN) Use Cases provide a blueprint for Provider, Consumer and Population Health interoperability

### AHIC USE CASES

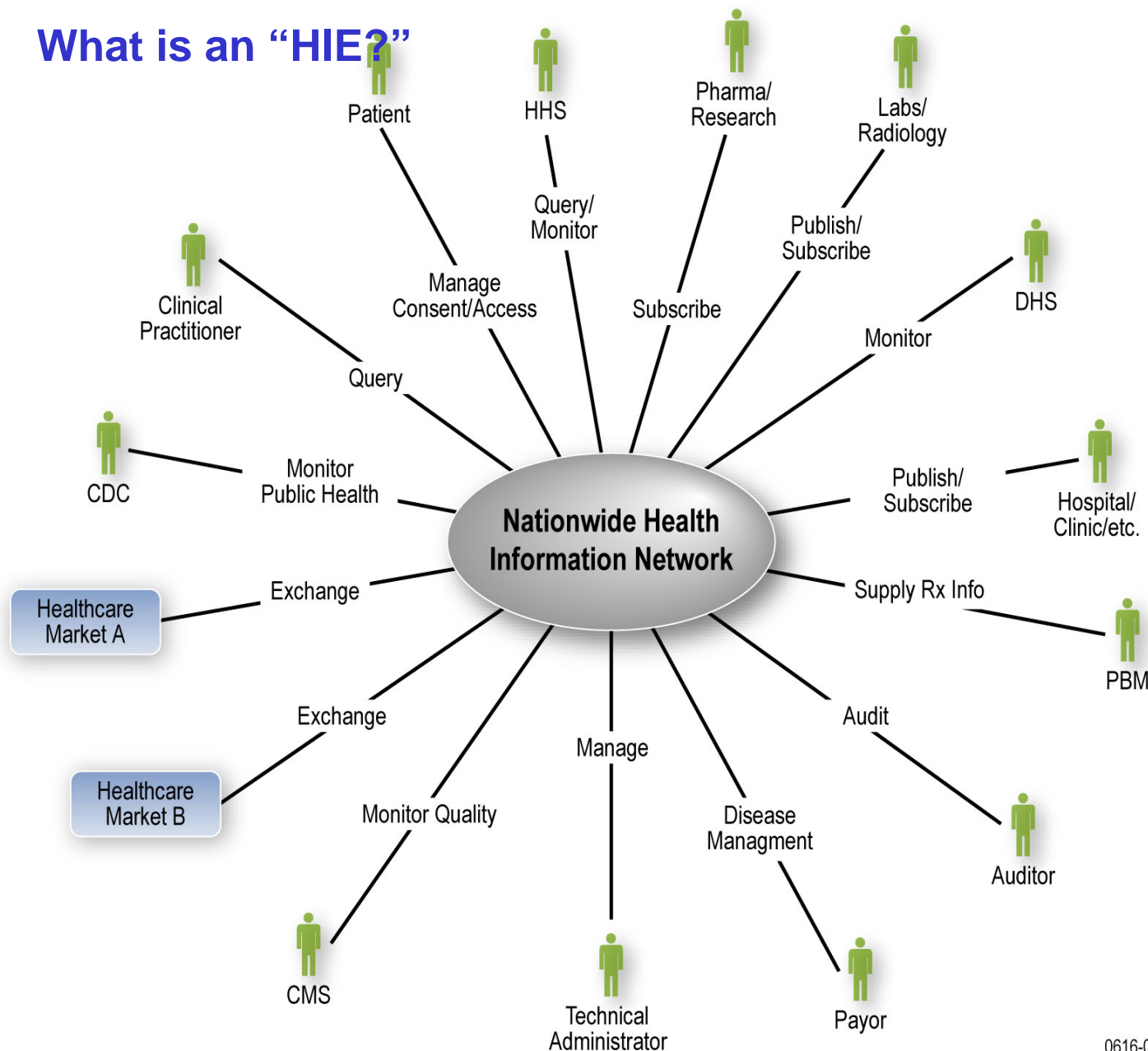
<u>PROVIDER</u>	
▪ EHR (LAB RESULTS REPORTING)	2006
▪ EMERGENCY RESPONDER EHR	2007
▪ MEDICATION MANAGEMENT	2007
▪ CONSULTATION & TRANSFERS OF CARE	2008
▪ PERSONALIZED HEALTHCARE	2008
<u>CONSUMER</u>	
• CONSUMER EMPOWERMENT (REG. & MEDICATION HISTORY)	2006
• CONSUMER ACCESS TO CLINICAL INFORMATION	2007
• REMOTE MONITORING	2008
• PATIENT-PROVIDER SECURE MESSAGING	2008
<u>POPULATION HEALTH</u>	
• BIOSURVEILLANCE (VISIT, UTILIZATION, LABS)	2006
• QUALITY	2007
• PH CASE REPORTING	2008
• IMMUNIZATIONS & RESPONSE MANAGEMENT	2008

### FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Core Services Required:

- Patient ID Cross-matching
- Record Locator Service
- Federated and Centralized Document and Data Storage
- Physician Access Management
- Lab/Rx Exchange HIE Integration (Gateways and Adapters)
- Audit Logging and Security
- Normalization Services and Claims Coding
- Authorized User Identification Proofing and Access Management
- Consumer – Automated Consent Management
- Cross-community EMR Integration
- Triggered Data Collection from All Major Entities
- Secure, bi-directional (Role-based) User Communication
- Workflow Management (e.g., transfer of care)

## What is an “HIE?”



- **Formal & tightly coupled (THINC)**
- **Informal & loosely affiliated (NCHICA)**
- **Large health system**
- **Coalition of smaller institutions**
- **Healthcare stakeholders**
  - Reference Labs
  - Public Health
  - Research
- **Payer driven or payer participatory**
- **Employer driven (Leapfrog)**
- **HOW WILL HIE'S PLAY IN A NATION WIDE NETWORK?**

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# NHIN Trial Implementation Requirements\*

- **Health Information Exchange must include:**
  - Five or more competing provider organizations
  - Different types of provider organizations, including independent physician practices and safety net providers
  - Both inpatient and outpatient settings
  - Both provider applications (EMRs) and consumer applications (PHRs)
  - Applications from multiple competing vendors
- **“Implementation of operation-capable systems and processes, but does not require full-time, live, production operations”**

\*from *The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology*



## NHIN Architecture Project Guiding Principles

### ■ Community-Centric

- Document repositories normalize and store clinical data within a community
- Can be hosted by individual hospitals/practices and/or shared within the community
- Community hub provides MPI, document locator, security and support services
- The community hub is the gateway to other communities

### ■ Drive and conform to standards

- Instantiation of IHE interoperability framework
- Clinical events stored as HL7 CDA(r2)-compliant documents
- Cross-community search & retrieval

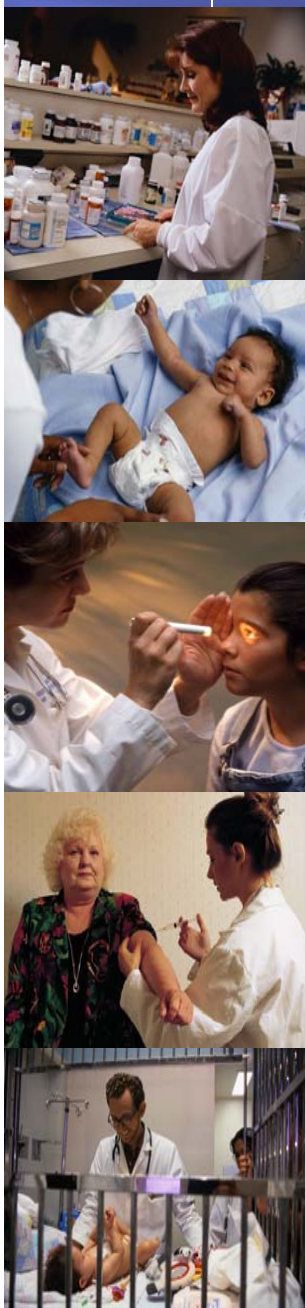
### ■ Provide security & privacy w/o sacrificing usability or research value

- Anonymous/pseudonymous data that can be re-identified as needed/permitted
- Supports other data aggregates (registries, biosurveillance, outcomes analysis, quality of care)

### ■ Practical

- Scalable and cost-effective at every level of practice
- Point-of-care performance is critical to adoption





## Key Differentiators of the IBM HIE Architecture

### ■ Standards Based

- Built in cross enterprise interoperability
- Adheres to the HITSP standards
- Supports IHE profiles (100+ vendors have already adopted)

### ■ Flexible Architecture

- Functionality driven by the healthcare community being served
- Fully Federated, Totally Centralized, or Hybrid
- Utilizes a registry but does not require data to be stored centrally
- Hardware and software agnostic
- No “rip and replace” of existing systems

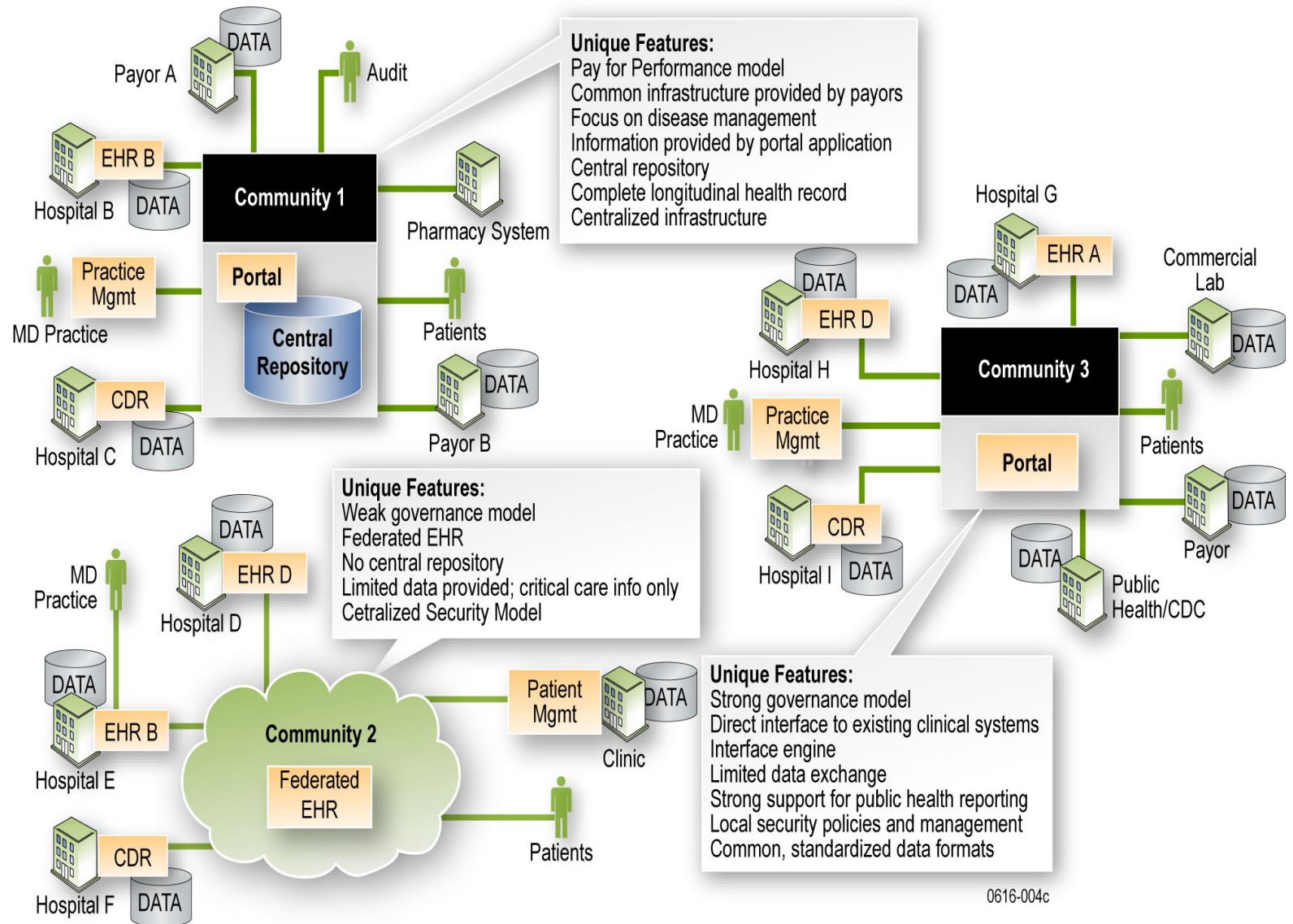
### ■ Scalable and Extensible

- Communities can grow from a few providers to a large network
- Geographic or non-geographic communities

### ■ Secure

- Patient controlled
- Role based authorization

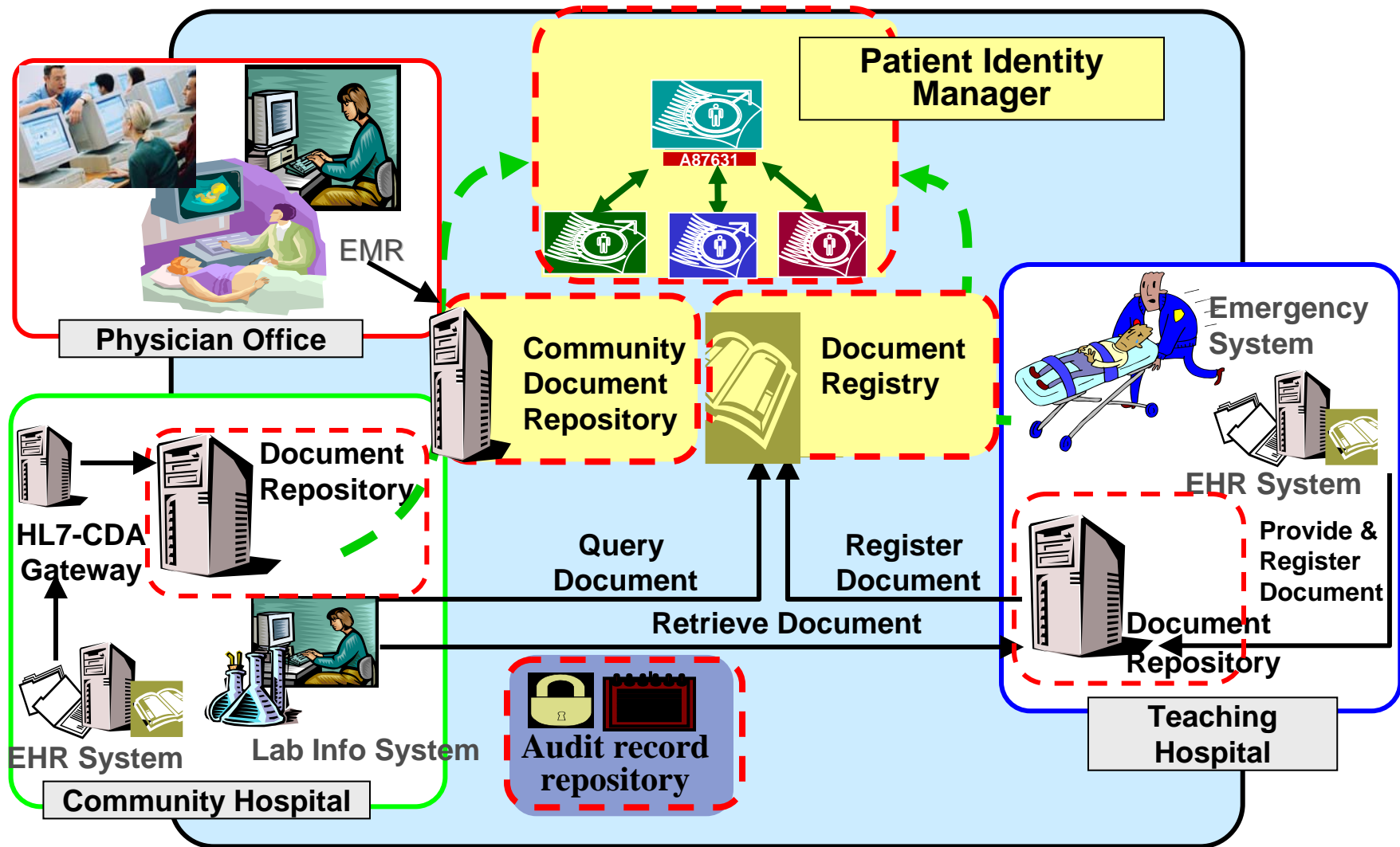
## Interconnecting Health Information Exchanges with Differing Architectures



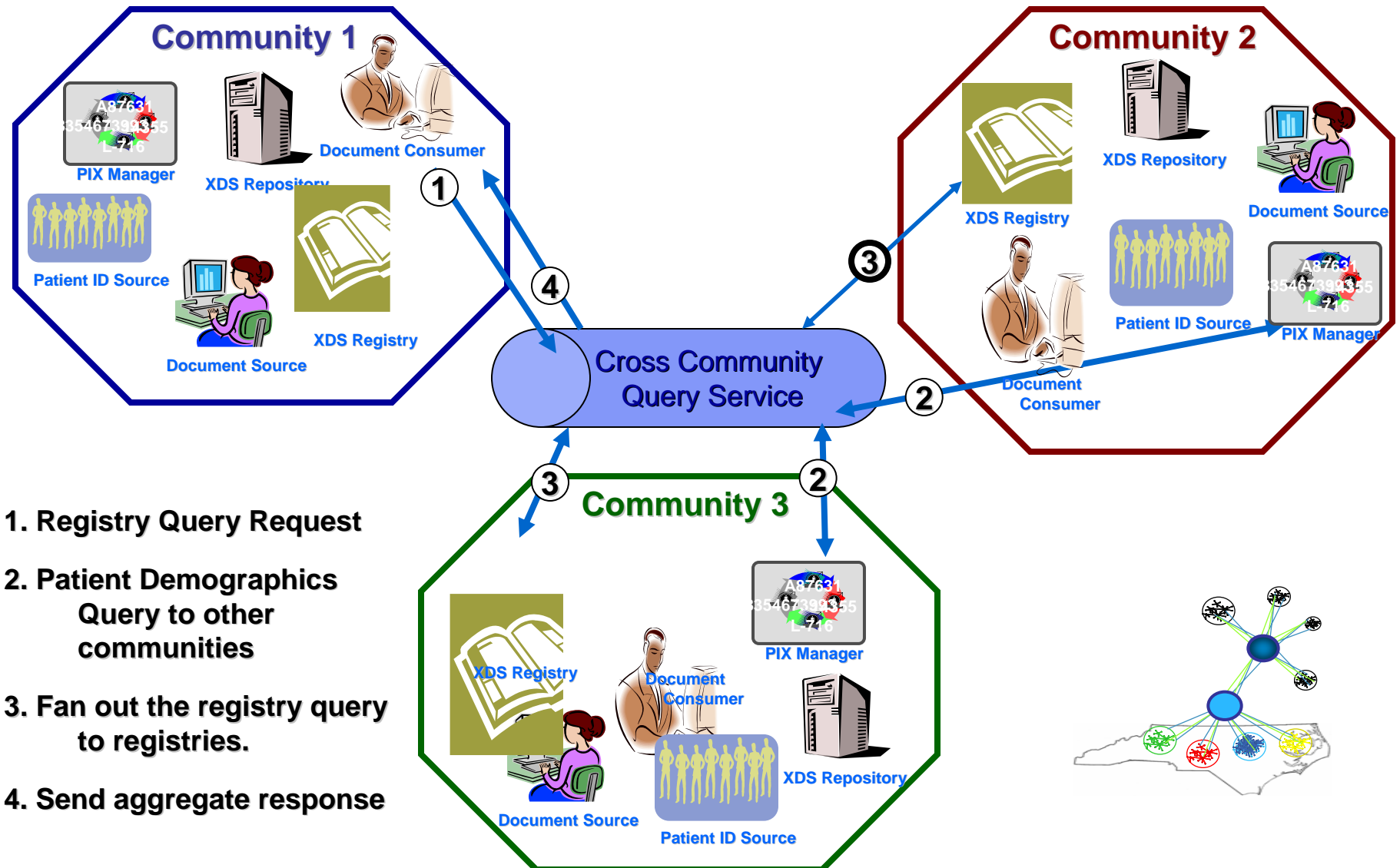
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# Generic HIE Community HUB



# IBM's HIE Architecture: Cross-Community Services





# The HIE “Buzz” Around The Country



- **HIEs (200 in number and growing), but ...**
  - Consolidation is in motion towards larger statewide or non-geographic HIEs
- **Community HIE's Priority Is To ...**
  - Encourage physician adoption of EMRs
- **States are well positioned to offer cross-domain utility services**
  - Foundational to interoperability (e.g., identity and directory services)
  - Momentum for professionally run, subscription-based “utilities” is growing
- **Aggregate Uses of Data provide greatest long-term revenue growth potential, but ...**
  - Prerequisites are secure exchange infrastructure and consent management
- **Non-Geographic HIEs**
  - Incentive and ability to provide cross-domain linkages and analytic services
- **Consumers will demand**
  - A more active role in health care data management
  - Growing responsibility in their health outcomes

## What Is Happening?



- HHS/ONC NHIN Phase 2
- CDC HIE (NHIN Compliant)
- Military Health System (NHIN Connectivity)
- MHS TO VA Interoperability
- MHS: Other Activity
- Medicaid Transformation
- State Activity
- Bridges to Excellence
  - Pilot programs
- Other Grants:
- Congress:

15 State Awards, RFP released 6/6/07  
 10 State Awards, RFP out, due 6/21/07  
 5 State Pilots (Model)  
 Military to Community  
 Providers (EHR)

### Treatment and Research

\$103M awarded, 27 stated  
 \$ 47M in 2007-2008

XX states with Task Forces  
 XX states funded by Legislature  
 Grants to jump start EHR's  
 Multiple RFI's and RFP's  
 XX state utilities, HIE's

### Employers active

Wellness and Disease Mgmt  
 Payment Mechanisms  
 Quality Indicators

### AHRQ, Robert Wood Johnson

Starck Law relaxation  
 PTST and TBI funding  
 HIPAA, CLIA (Regulatory Agencies)

## TO BE SUSTAINABLE, COMMUNITY HIES AND HRBS MUST:

- 1) Drive physician adoption by offering compelling value
- 2) Provide services that attract stakeholders with an ability to pay

### Business/Financial Challenges

- **Few business models are compelling and sustainable** without participation from health plans, large employers or state agencies
- **Need to define (and broker) redistribution mechanisms to ensure fair distribution of costs and benefits**

### Adoption / Process Challenges

- **Few exchanges offer compelling value propositions** without participation from individual physician practices
- **Few exchanges offer compelling value propositions to physicians without:**
  - Content that is valuable enough to them to sacrifice time to look up or contribute to
  - Ease of use and sensible workflow and navigation

## Many HIE Program Considerations Affect Cost and Sustainability

- Record Locator Service
- User Authentication
- Internal integration of HHS systems
- Wellness and Disease Management
- E-Prescribing and Pharmacy management
- Error, Waste, Fraud and Abuse Management
- Entity Analytic Solutions (EAS)
- Medication Reconciliation and Medication Risk Management
- Patient Risk Scoring Solutions and Predictive Modeling
- Emergency Response Technology
- Geo-Mapping Solutions for Risk Scoring for Disease Surveillance
- Peer-To-Peer Comparative Clinical Support Data
- High-Risk Case Management
- Others



## Potential Future HIE Directions

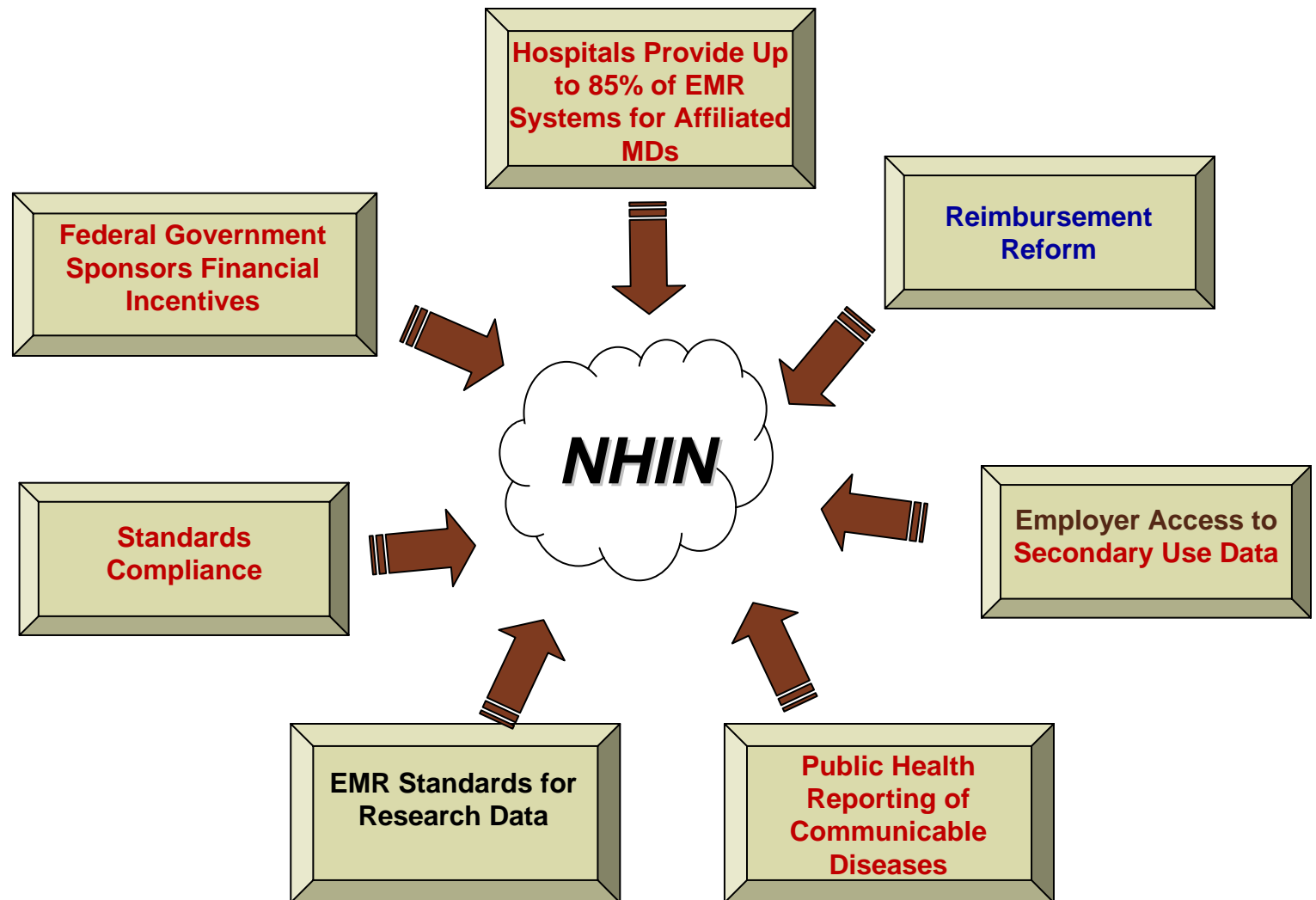
### Advanced Interoperability Services:

- **Analytic tools** to support secondary data uses
- **Digital Rights Management**, issues ...
  - Consent management
  - Metadata
  - Role-based access
- **Health Record Banks**
- **Nationwide alliances of large players** (e.g., employers, payors, pharmaceuticals) could produce a strong demand for open standards-based HIN Service Providers
- **Linkage to consumers** – directly linking users of data with originators of data for consents, permissions and micro-payments (no middlemen)





## Levers May Change The HIE Market Context



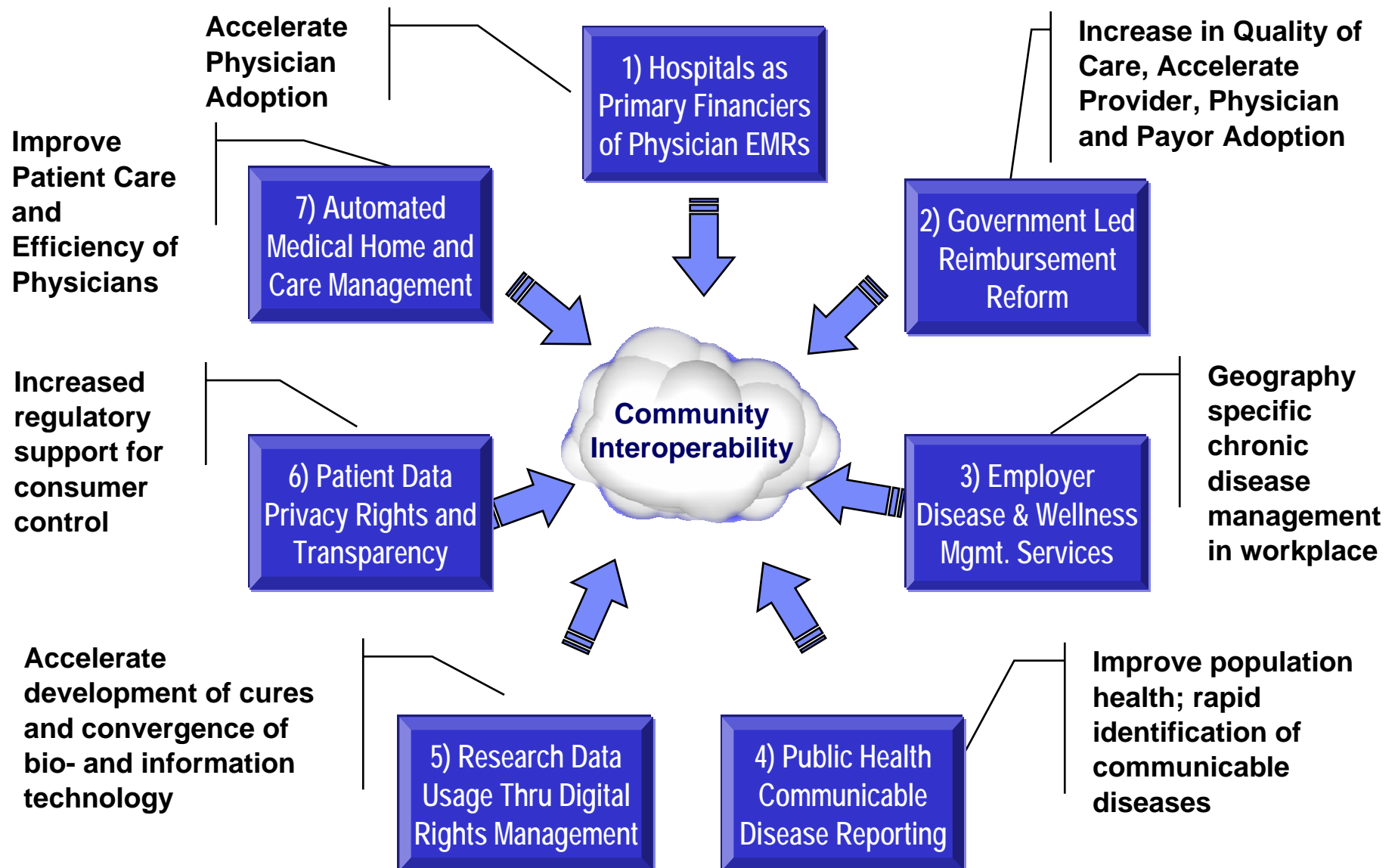
*The RHIO market is a dynamic market - public and private levers may accelerate adoption*



# Potential Mega-Trends May Accelerate (or inhibit) Health IT Adoption Rates at National, State and Local levels

Healthcare Solutions

Strategic Framework



## 2015: Will we get there in time?

### ■ DRIVERS: Factors That Stimulate Change

- Technology use achieves productivity gains
- Aging and overweight populations
- Chronic illness consumes **75%** of the HC resources
- Growing awareness of **adverse events** (770,000 injuries/yr)
- 1 in 4 tests is repeated
- Research: 17 year cycle bench to bedside cycle
- Regenerative medicine: renewable parts through stem cells
- Information based medicine
- Personal Health Information (PHI) needed at the point of care
- Self-insured employers: assertive, promote interests and employees

### ■ INHIBITORS: Forces that support the status quo and prevent change

- Financial Constraints: the pool is not limitless
- Lack of aligned incentives among stakeholders:
  - Payers, Providers, Patients
- Security and Privacy concerns
- Information Overload and Proliferation
- Societal norms: Patients, Providers, Payors, Taxpayers



## The Evolution Of The Healthcare System Is In Our Hands



### Information Technology Plays A Large Role In Reducing Healthcare Costs

- Architectures that are extensible and expansive
- Healthcare standards, both clinical and technical
- Interoperability and data access or exchange between healthcare providers and clinicians
- Patient Access
- Healthcare Data Analytics
- Quality Programs
- Secondary use of data linking “research bench to bedside”
- Public Health









## ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF HEALTHCARE

- The Health Affairs Journal estimates **administrative costs account for 25% of health care spending. (2005)**
- A California study suggests that private insurers spend 9.9% of revenue on administration.
- Physician offices spend 27% on administration
- Hospitals spend 21% on administration
- An American Medical Association study estimates:
  - A physician spends six minutes on each claim
  - Physician staff members spend one hour per claim

## INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR HEALTHCARE

- In 2005, total national health expenditures rose by 6.9%, (2 X inflation) (Source: National Coalition on Health Care)
- In 2006, employer health insurance premiums increased by 7.7%
- **In 2006, the annual employer health plan premium for a family of four was nearly \$11,500**
- **2000 to 2006:**
  - **Health care premiums had risen 87%**
  - Cumulative inflation was 18%
  - Cumulative wage growth was 20%
  - (Source: Kaiser Family Foundation and Hewitt Associates )

## Obesity – A Major Epidemic and a Major Cause

### Obesity is Now An Epidemic

- 33% of Americans are overweight.
- The percentage of overweight children has more than doubled, with adolescent rates tripling since 1980.
- Obesity alone costs U.S. companies \$13 billion in health costs and 39 million workdays lost each year.
- Obesity links to chronic diseases such as diabetes, arthritis, heart disease and cancer. These chronic diseases combined cost employers more than \$220 billion annually in medical care and lost productivity.
- Obesity has produced a chronic epidemic of Type 2 Diabetes among 20.8 million children and adults (7% of the Population) having diabetes today.
- 54 million people have sufficiently high glucose levels to be considered at risk for diabetes.



## Chronic Disease Management

- **97%** of the \$2 trillion spent each year on health care is spent on disease management
- Although **chronic diseases are among the most prevalent and costly health problems**, they are also among the most preventable
- More than **133 million Americans live with one or more chronic conditions**, with millions of new cases are diagnosed each year
- 7 of every 10 deaths in the United States are caused by three chronic diseases: **heart disease, cancer, and diabetes**
- The indirect costs of poor health are 2 to 3 times that of direct medical costs
- Productivity losses related to personal and family health problems cost U.S. employers \$1,685 per employee per year, or \$225.8 billion annually

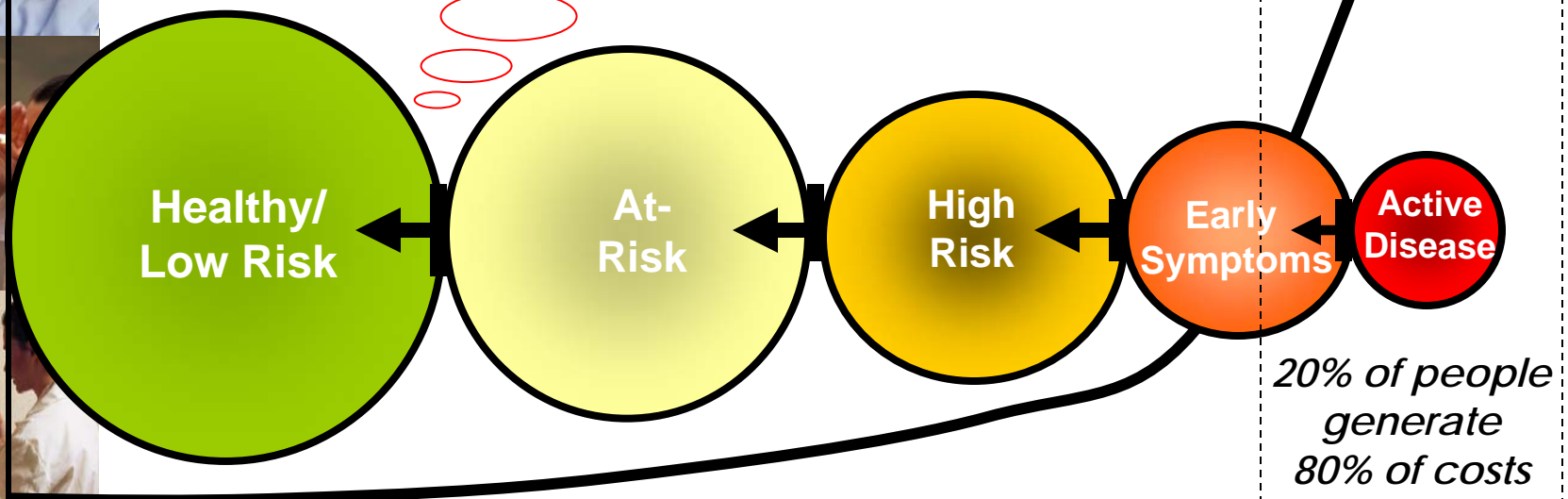




## THE ULTIMATE GOAL . . .

*Move people from right to left on the continuum —and keep them there*

Health care spending



## A value-based health care system