

Integrated National eHealth Ecosystem

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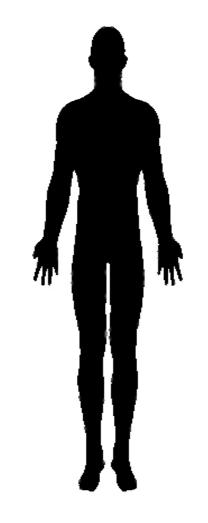


Integrated Electronic Health Record (IEHR)

- A collection of fields that describe the citizen's health state.
 - Most of them are given in (mainly) a structured data.

- Which are the parameters that evaluate the citizen's health state?
 - Somatic parameters (e.g. cardiovascular system)
 - Psychological parameters (e.g. depression)
 - Mental parameters (e.g. level of self-preservation ability)
 - Habits Way of life (e.g. nutrition)
 - Medications and Treatments (e.g. chemotherapy)
 - Exogenous factors (e.g. air pollution)

Citizen - Centricity



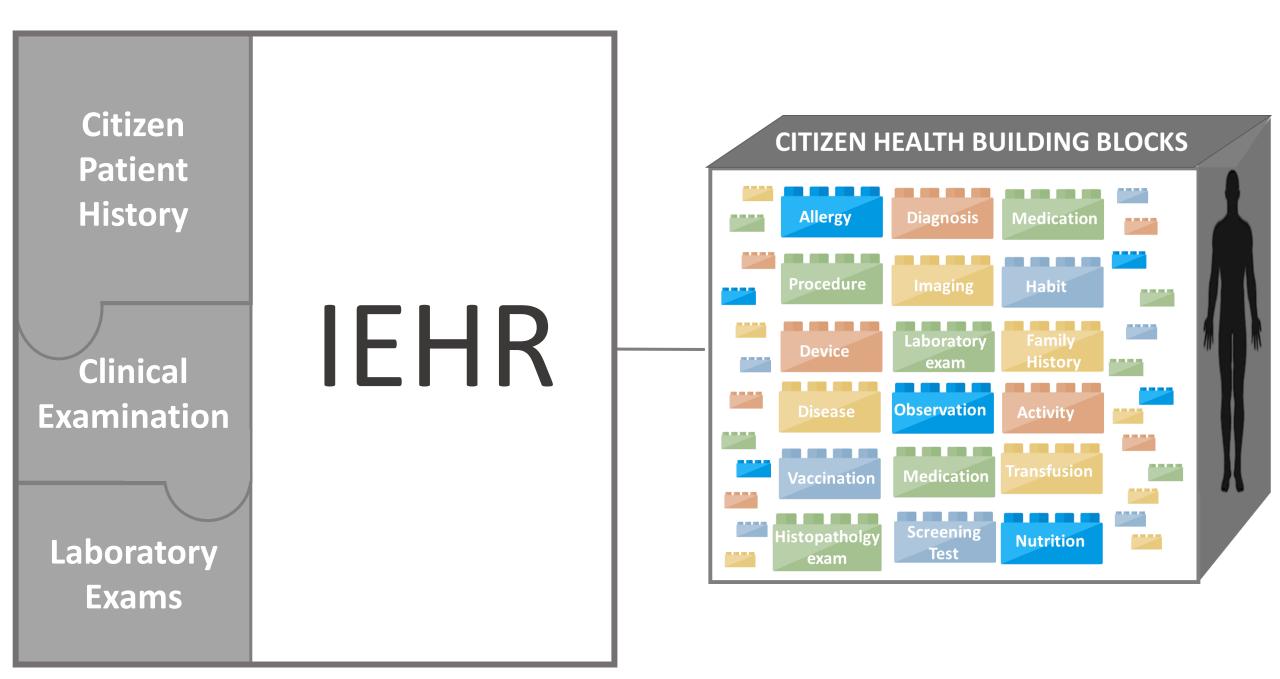
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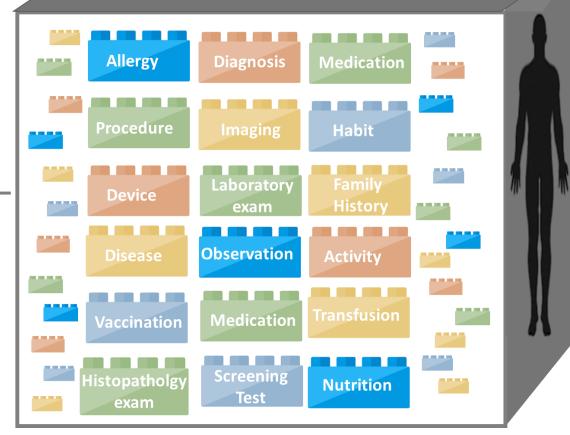
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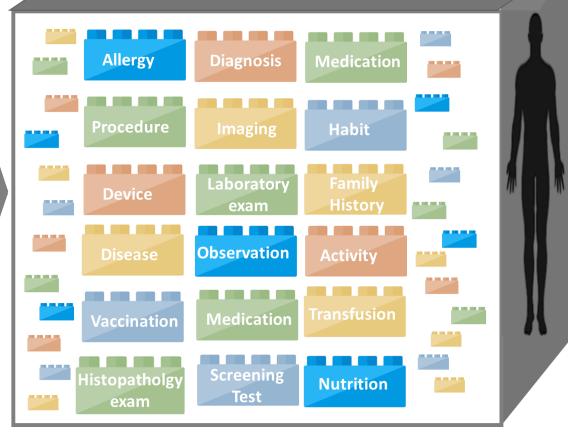
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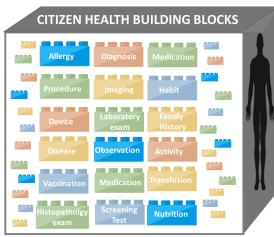
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EHR >> Analysis of a Complex Parameter

- To describe the EHR for a citizen, we need to construct the Citizen Health Building Blocks "box":
 - 1. Identify the EHR general sections.
 - 2. Gather clinical requirements per each section (from doctors).
 - 3. Identify the complex parameters.
 - 4. Analyze them in depth into a set of "simple" parameters and their set of values.
 - 5. Package related parameters into complex building blocks which will be available for use to construct any requested profile for the patient's health status.

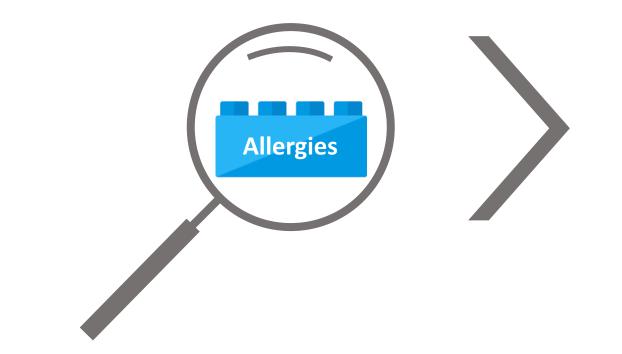




EHR >> Complex Parameters

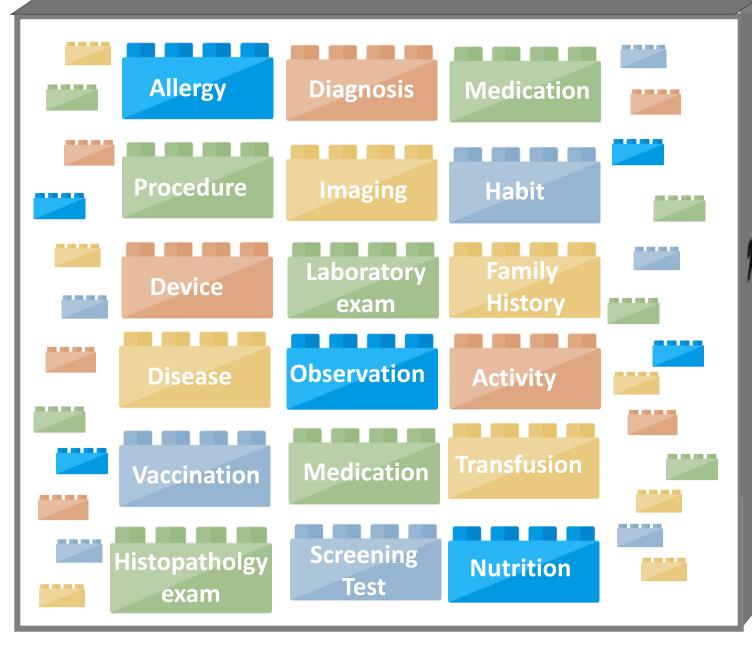


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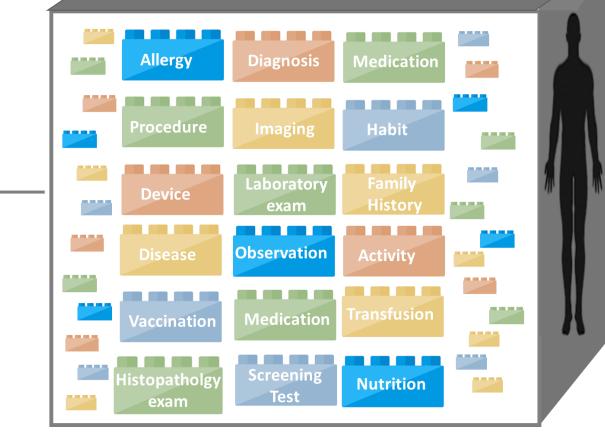


- Adverse Event Type
- Agent
- Reaction
- Severity
- Diagnosis Date



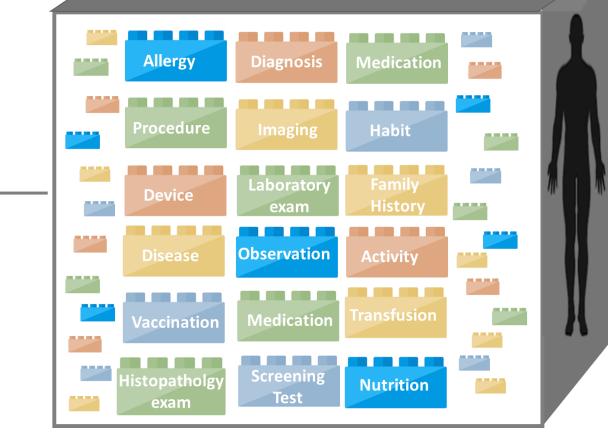
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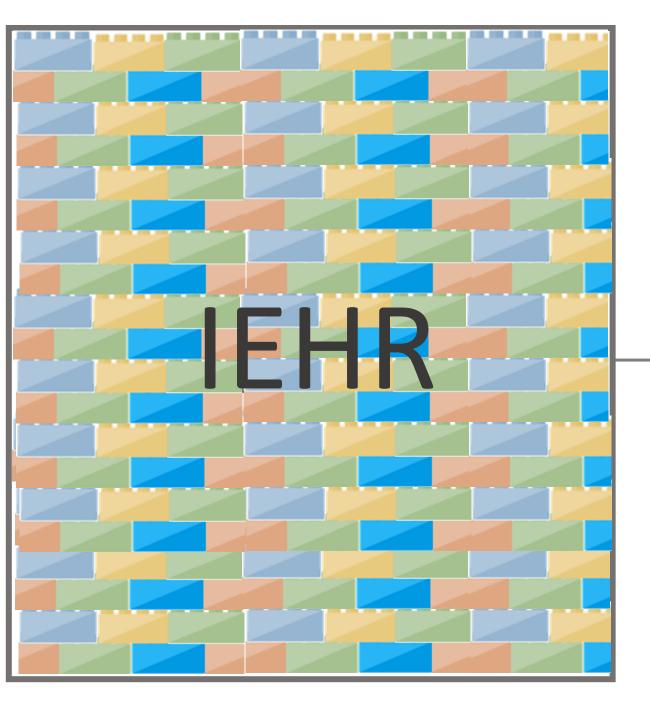
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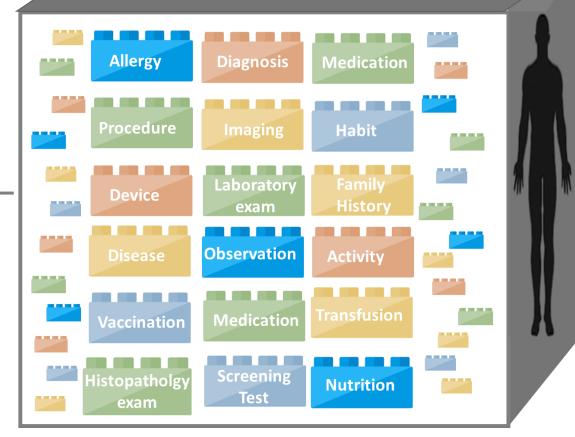




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Allergy Diagnosis Medication Procedure Imaging Habit Device Laboratory Family History Disease Observation Activity Medication Imaging Habit Histopatholgy Screening Nutrition

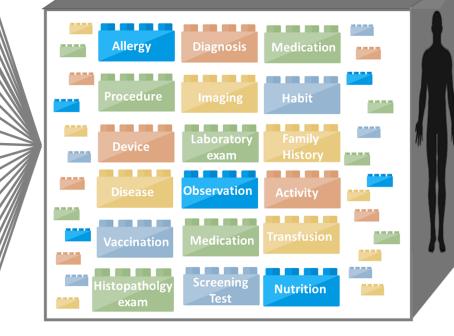
CITIZEN HEALTH BUILDING BLOCKS

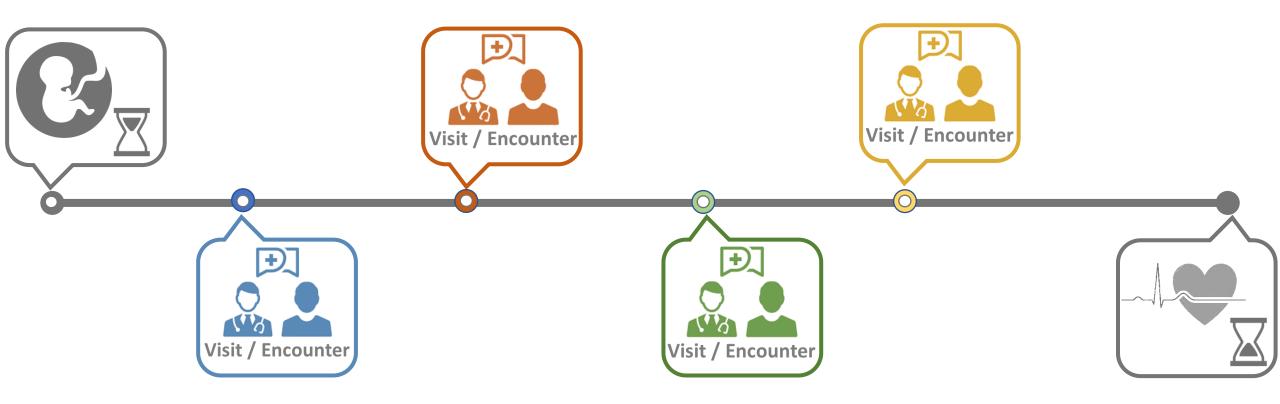
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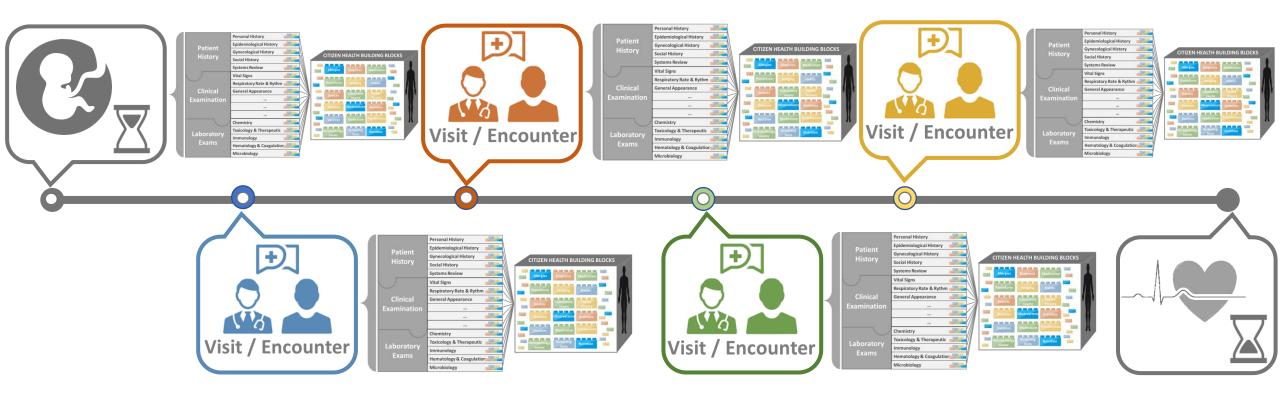
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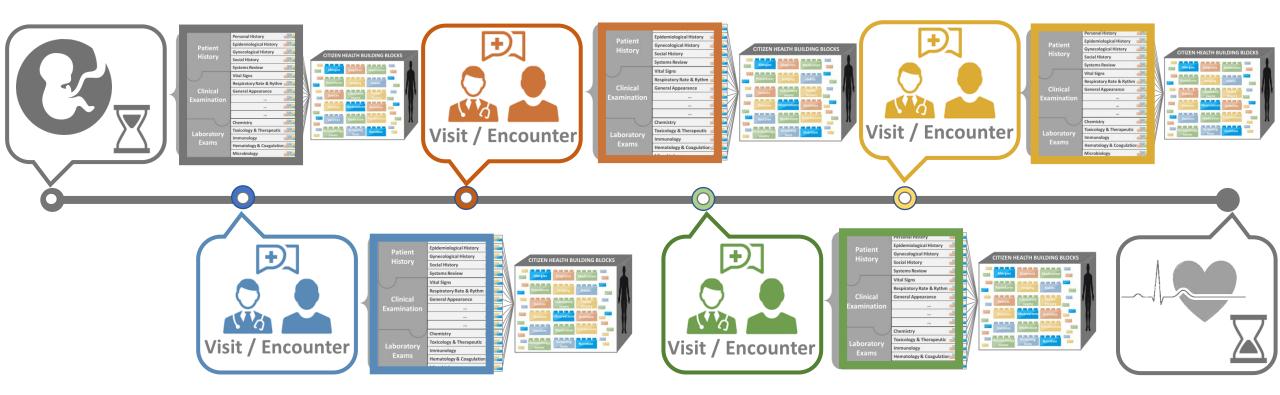
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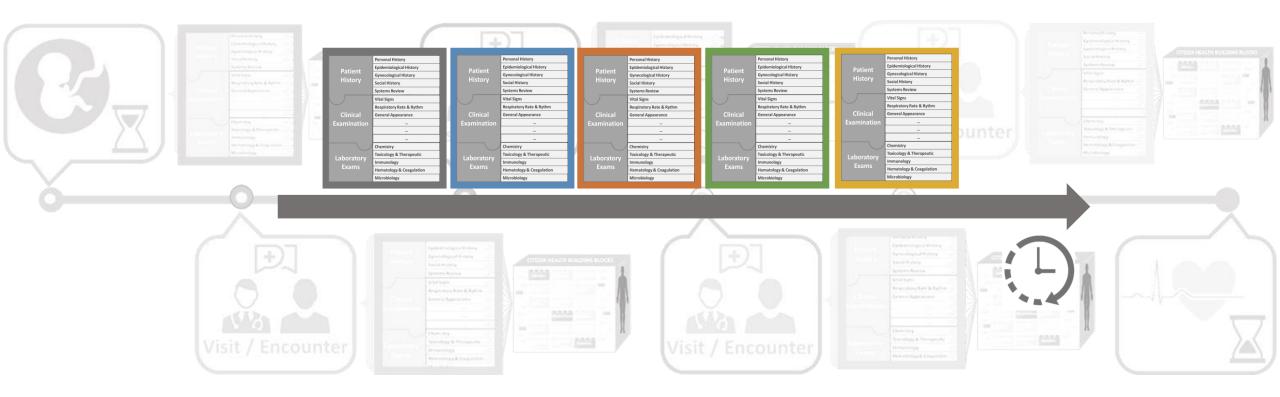
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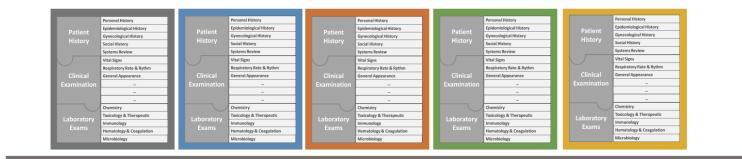


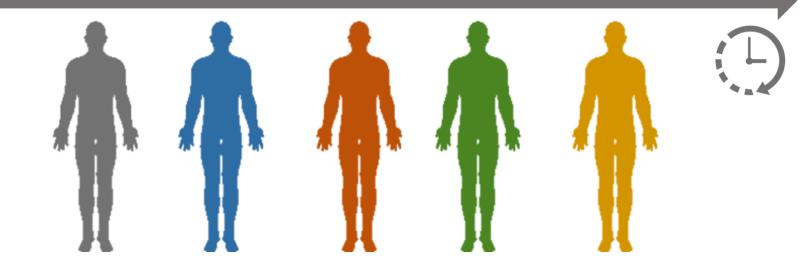




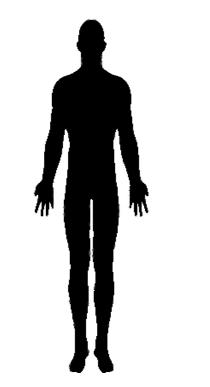




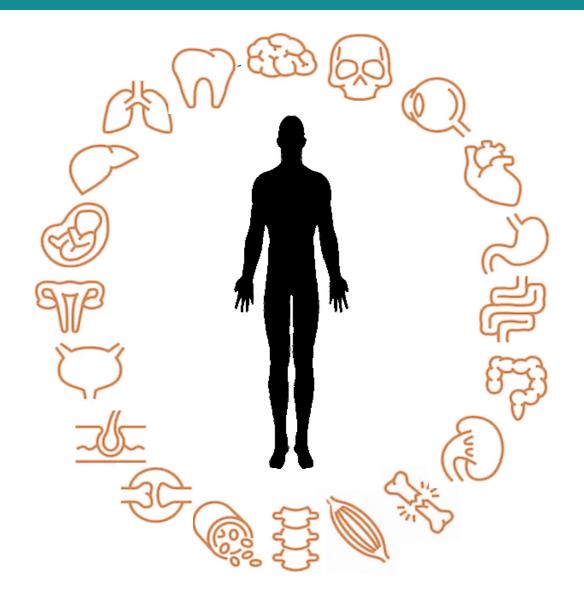




National Integrated EHR in Cyprus (prototype) >> Describe the Health Status of the Citizen



National Integrated EHR in Cyprus (prototype) >> Describe the Health Status of the Citizen



Citizen EHR and Practitioner

- Practitioner is the main contributor to a Citizen's Integrated EHR (IEHR).
 - View citizen's healthcare data.
 - Create new healthcare data.
 - Update healthcare data.
- When can a Practitioner access a Citizen's IEHR?
 - Access to all data?
 - For how long?

The health provider has by default access to the EHR in the provider's databank

Consider changing practitioner to provider!

Citizen IEHR and Practitioner >> Consent Framework

- By default, no Practitioner has any kind of access to a Citizen's IEHR profile.
- To gain access, the Citizen first has to grant the Practitioner with explicit access rights.
- This happens by providing a consent defining:
 - The consent content:

The type of the access rights given to the Practitioner (what healthcare data can be accessed and what can't).

• The lifetime of the consent:

The duration of the access rights. When this period expires the Practitioner has no access to the specific Citizen's EHR.

Citizen IEHR and Practitioner >> Default Consent

- The default consent (between Citizen and Practitioner) proposed by the National Integrated EHR system in Cyprus:
 - Consent Content:
 - ✓ The Citizen authorizes the Practitioner to have full access to his entire EHR content.
 - ✓ The Practitioner will be available to view all the past content included in the Citizen's EHR.
 - ✓ The Practitioner will be available to add new data in the Citizen's EHR.
 - ✓ The Practitioner will be available to create a new Encounter with the Citizen.

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 - Duration:
 - ✓ The Consent between a Citizen and a Practitioner is characterized as Active for the time period that the Practitioner has some type of access to a Citizen's EHR.
 - ✓ A consent turns into the Active mode when both parties (Citizen and Practitioner) have given their consent (steps are described later).
 - ✓ Consent duration differs between Personal Doctors (PD) and Specialists.
 - \odot Personal Doctors should have consent for the whole time being the PD of the Patient.
 - \circ Specialists should have consent for the time curing a Patient.

Default Consent >> **Multiple related events**

- A Practitioner might need multiple encounters, laboratory exams or consultation with other doctors when curing a patient with a particular health issue.
 - The Practitioner needs access through the whole time period that the events take place to study and monitor the ongoing health issue.
 - The Citizen has to provide the same Practitioner with a consent for every related event
 - Not efficient or practical!
- Solution:
 - The Practitioner needs long time consent from the Citizen.
 - Duration: Time needed to perform all the events for a specific health issue of the Citizen.
 - Time needed to deal with different health issues varies therefore it is difficult to set one rule for all.
 - ✓ Easier to group the related events under one super-event.
 - ✓ Give consent to the Practitioner that participates to that super-event for as long as it lasts.

Default Consent >> Multiple related events >> Episode of Care

Episode of Care

- A grouper of the events taking place under a certain health issue/condition.
- Any resource can be referenced or refer to an Episode of Care (encounter, lab result, referral, etc.) and then it becomes part of the group.
- CareManager and CareTeam of the Episode of Care:
 - When a Practitioner creates an encounter he can choose:
 - Create a new Episode of Care for the Patient (and be the CareManager of it)
 - Contribute to an existing Episode of Care of the Patient (and be participant of the CareTeam of it)

Default Consent >> Multiple related events >> Episode of Care

- Main purpose of Episode of Care in the National Integrated EHR system of Cyprus:
 - Allow the Practitioner who is the CareManager and the Practitioners that participate to the CareTeam to monitor the patient's progress for a specific health issue/problem.
- Actions allowed under one Episode of Care:
 - The initial encounter and all other follow-up encounters will be linked together.
 - All the referrals used for these encounters will be tagged by the related Episode of Care.
 - An encounter which is created as a result of a referral is also tied with the related Episode of Care.
 - There are no financial dependencies for Episode of Care. Its use is strictly for medical use.
 - Episode of Care is not for grouping all the encounters (throughout the patient's lifetime) under one condition **but** to group the encounters under one condition coordinated by a specific Practitioner (CareManager) and a specific CareTeam.

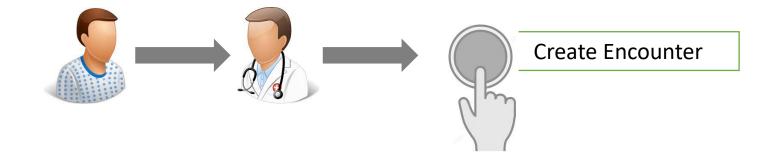
Citizen EHR and Practitioner >> Default Consent

Active Consent	Starts when:	Ends when:
To Personal Doctor	The Citizen requests from a Practitioner to be his/her PD and the Practitioner accepts.	 The Citizen revokes the consent from the PD. The Citizen selects a different doctor to be his PD.
To Specialist	 st An appointment is set between the Citizen and the Practitioner. The Citizen cancels the appointment and there is episode of care between the Citizen and the Practice of care between the Citizen and there is no accepted of care between the Citizen and the Practice of care between the Citizen and the Practic	

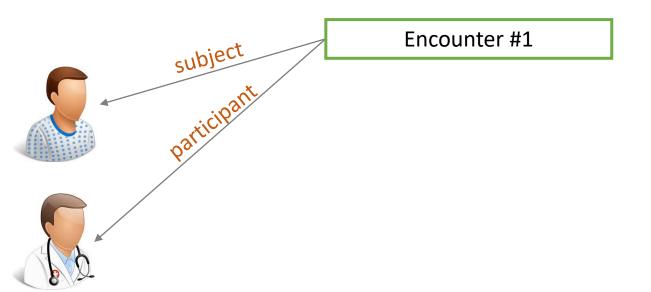
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- Other unexpected conditions that can revoke a consent between a Citizen and a Practitioner:
 - The referenced Citizen dies (and a specific time period has passed).
 - The referenced Practitioner dies.
 - The Practitioner is not an active user of the system (e.g. inactivated by Cyprus Medical Association).

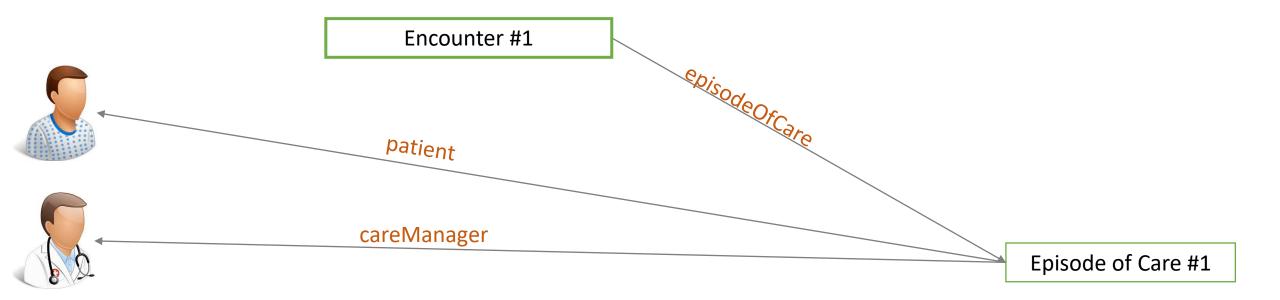
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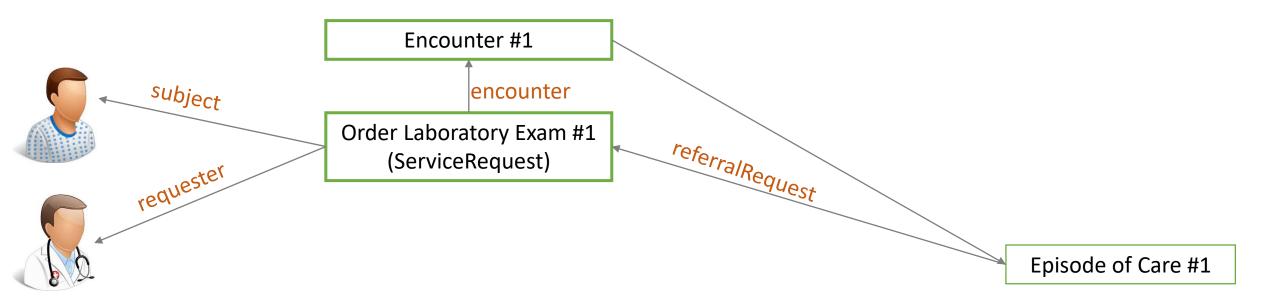


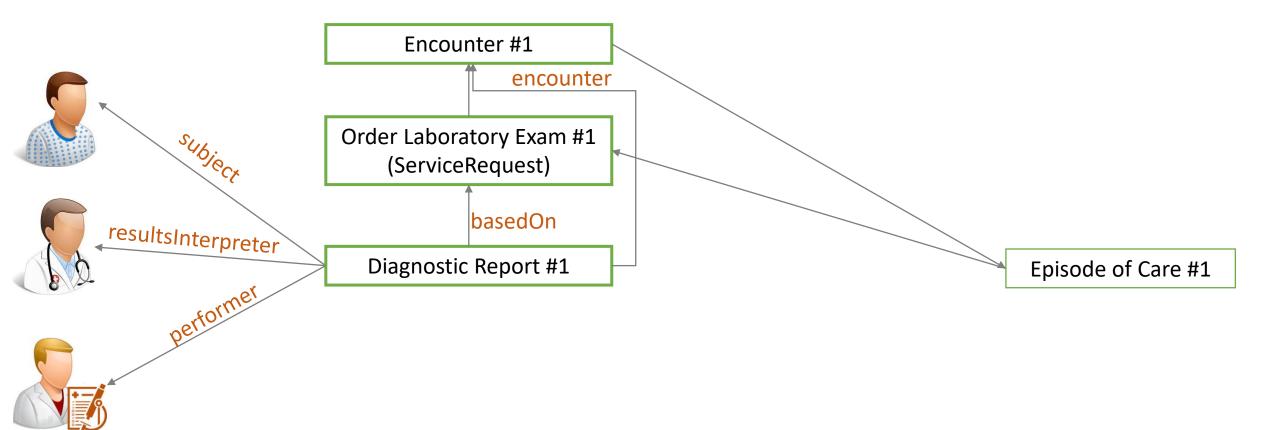
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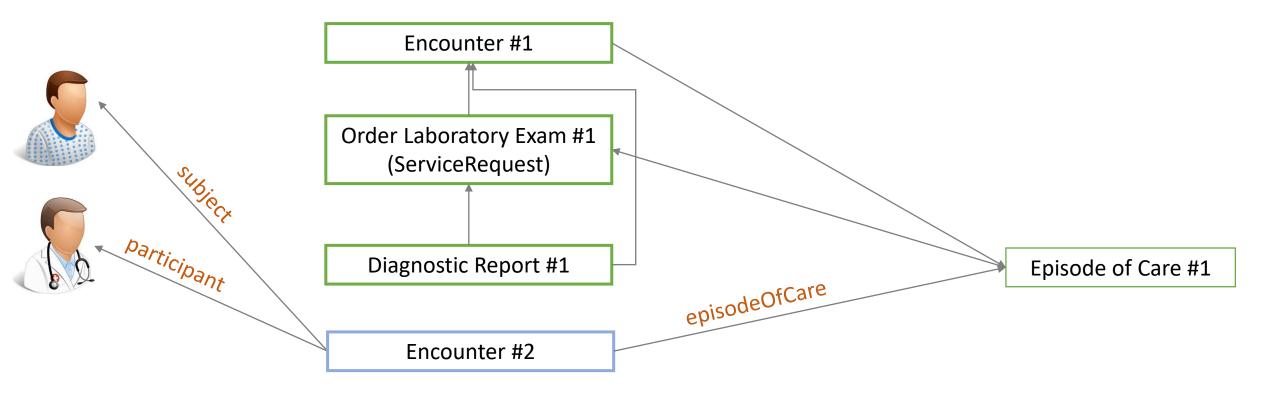


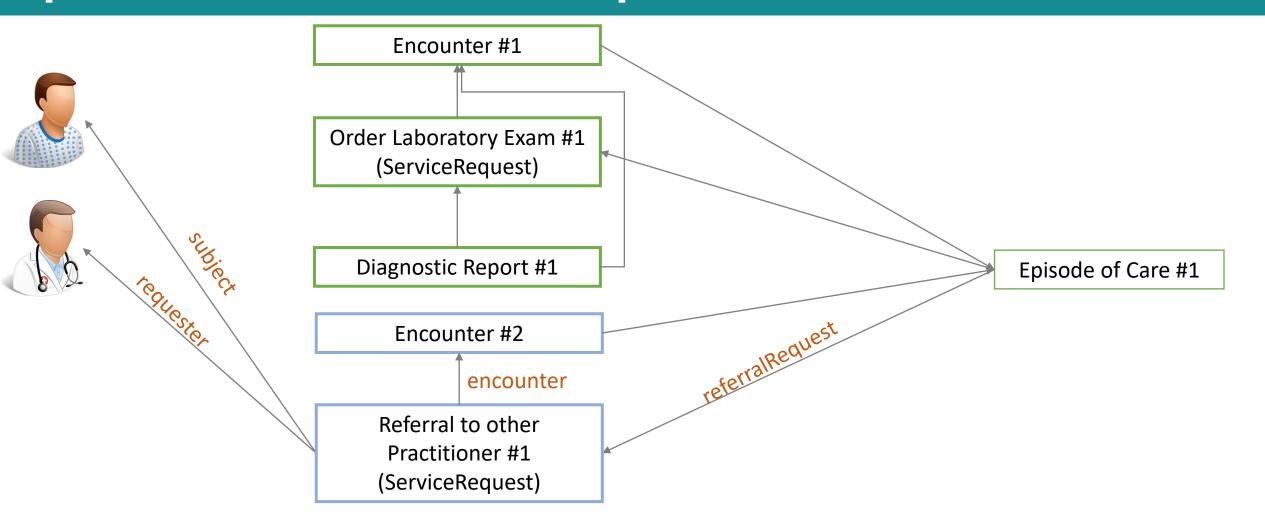
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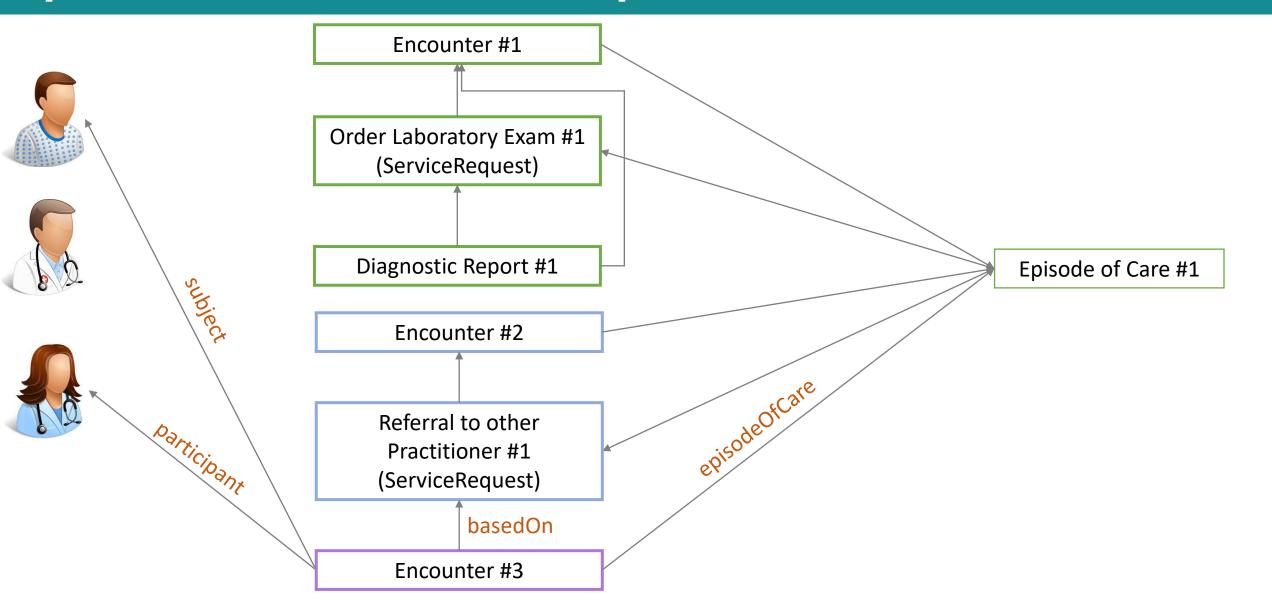


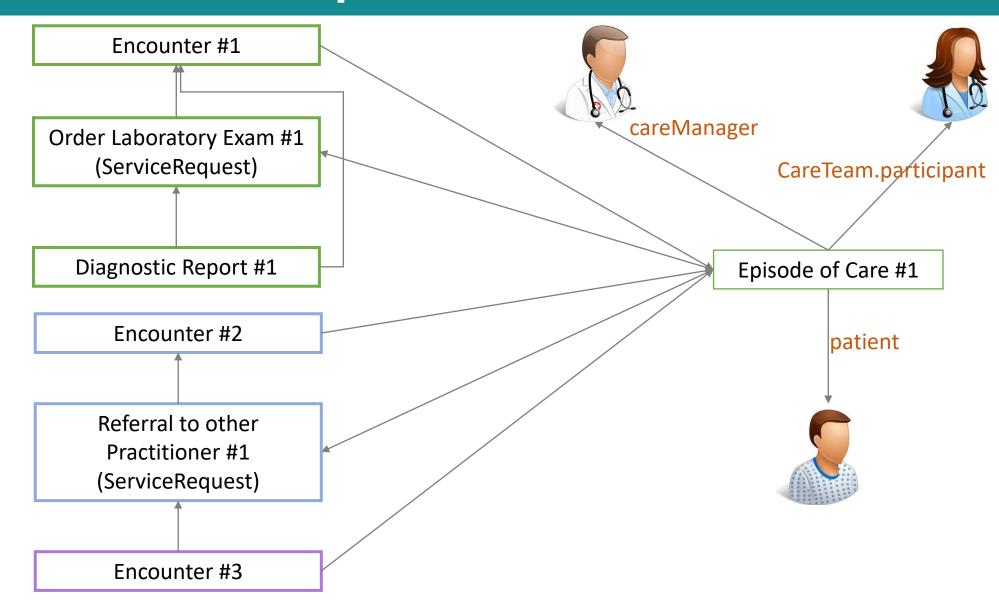








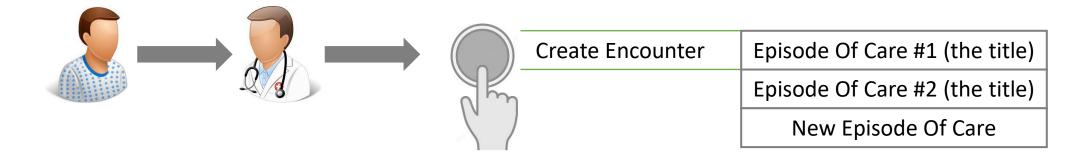






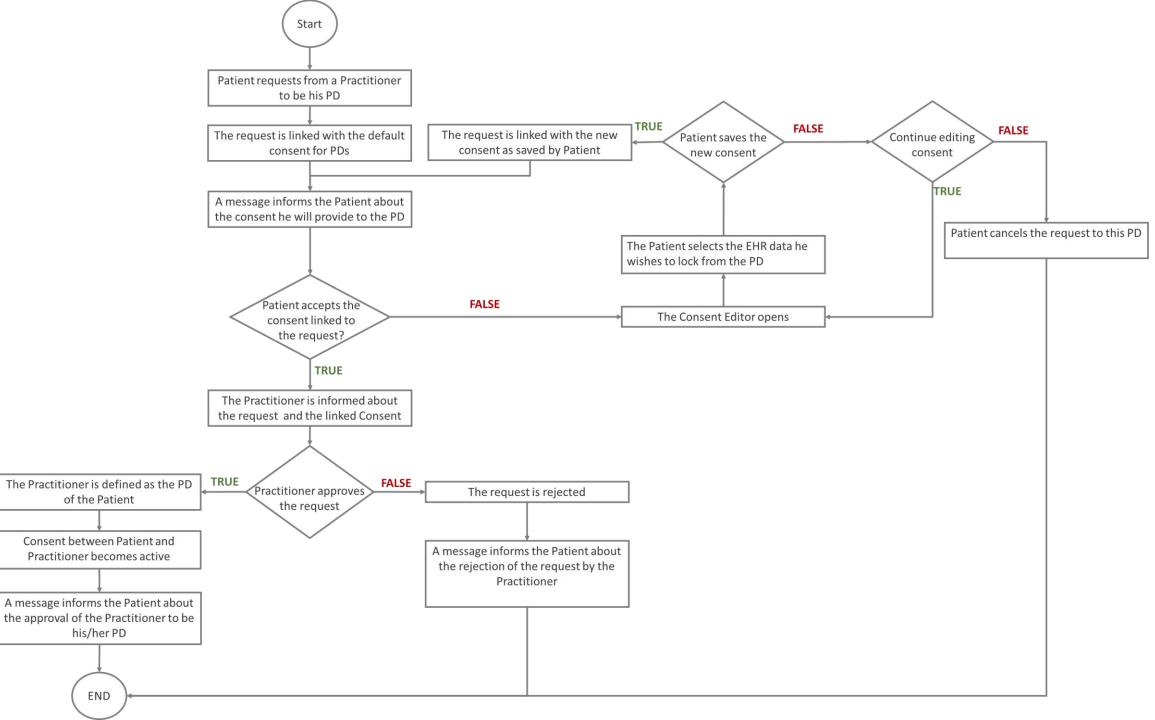
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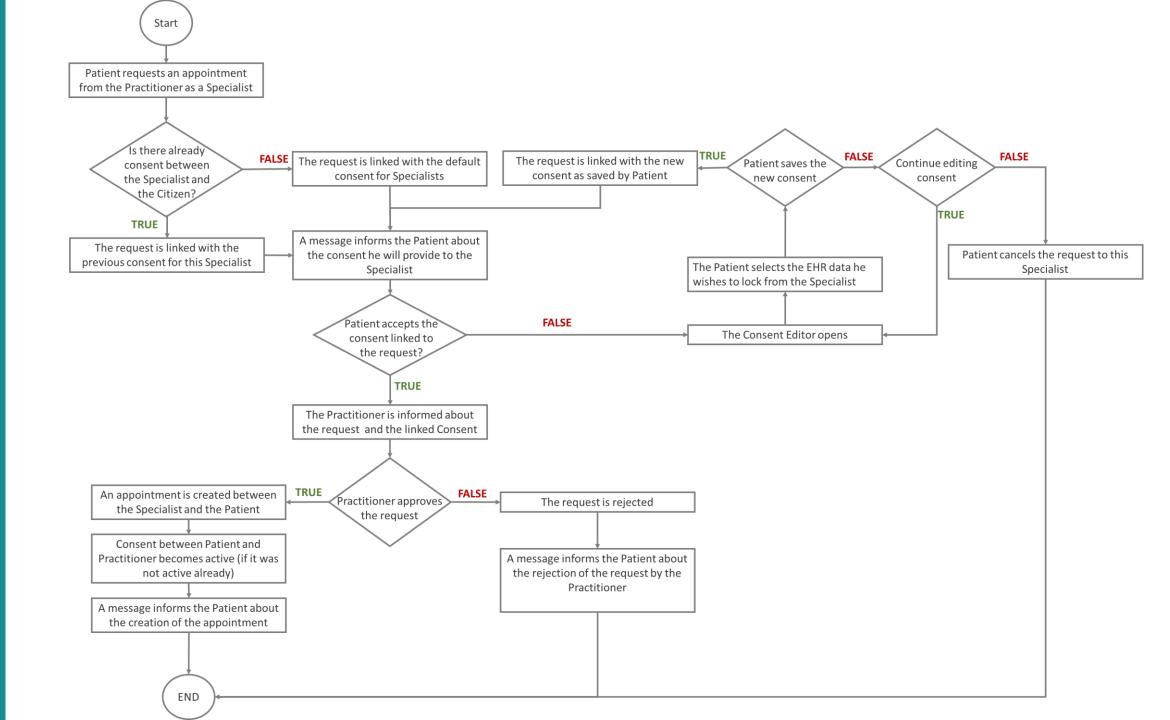
Episode of Care >> A Simple Use Case >> Consent



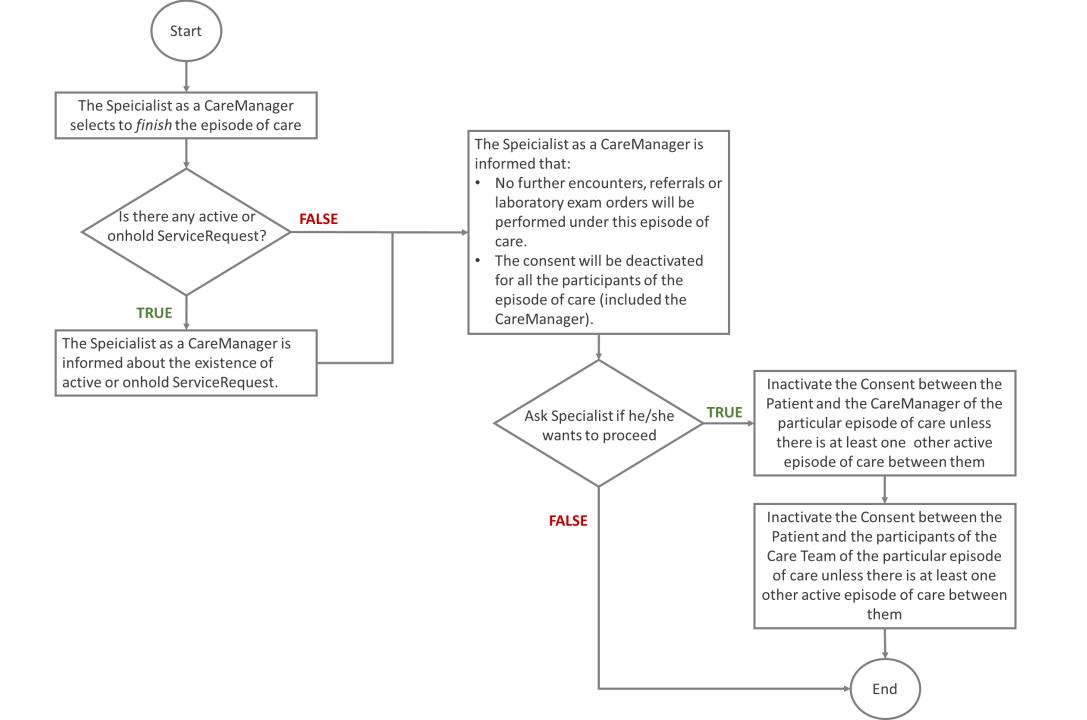
- When creating a new encounter, the Practitioner must define if he/she wishes to include the encounter as part of an existing Episode of Care or create a new one.
- The CareManager and the CareTeam of the Episode of Care need to have consent during the whole life of the episode of care.

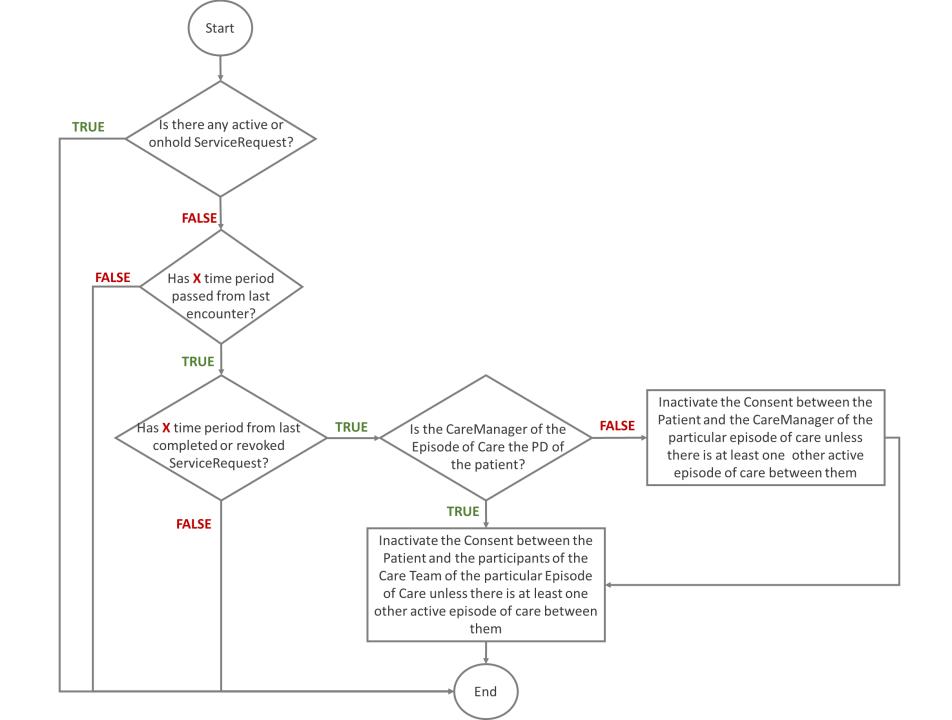


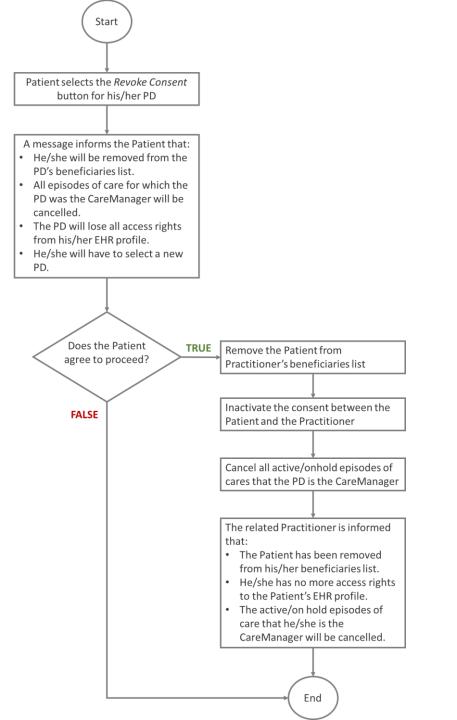


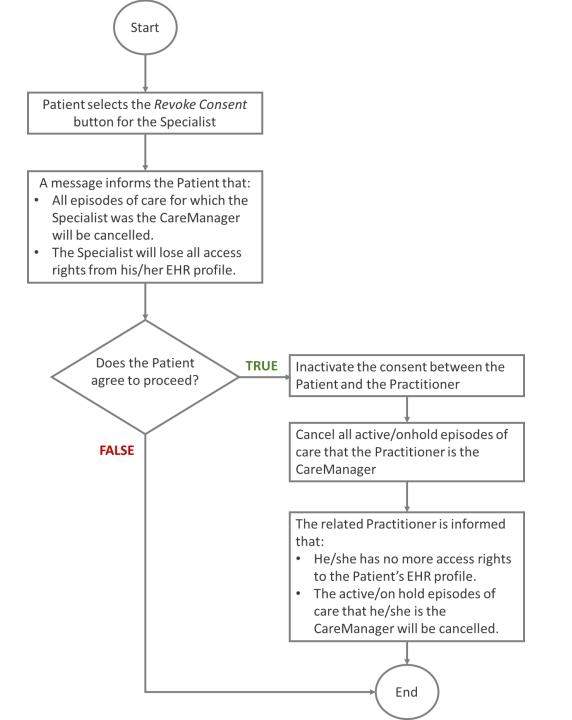


Create + +o a Specialist Consent to









NEHA

- NATIONAL
- ELECTRONIC
- HEALTH
- AUTHORITY

NEHA - LAW

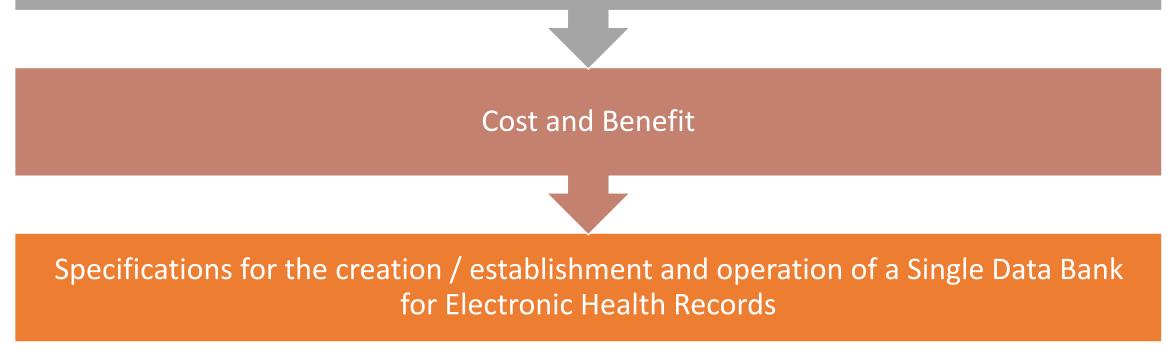
 Development of a strategy for the implementation of the legislation of the eHealth Law of 2019 (59(I)/2019)

STRATEGIC PLAN

- Creation establishment and operation
- of a Single Data Bank for Electronic Health Records
- under the legislation of the Authority

NEHA - National eHealth Authority



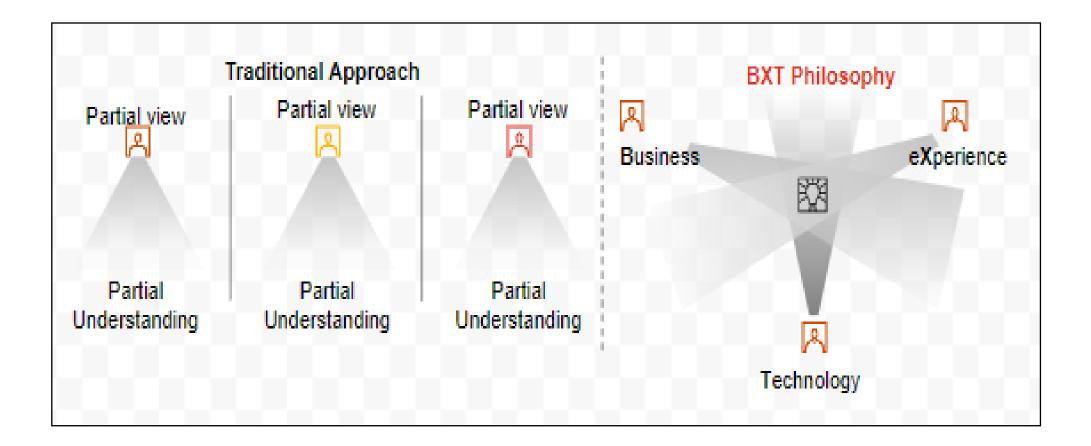


Vision, purpose and objectives of the National eHealth Authority -NEHA



- The health care provider, whether a member or not of the GHS, but also any provider who may perform his duties in another European country, treats a patient who receives medical care during a planned or non-scheduled medical visit.
- Through the services of the NEHA-EHR, this health provider will be able to identify and use the available medical history of the patient to provide medical care based on medical evidence.
- This ensures that any medical care given to the patient will be the best possible, and the doctor's decisions will be aligned with the patient's medical history minimizing the need to repeat medical examinations that have already been carried out by another doctor elsewhere.

Methodology and actions for the implementation of the project



B X T PHILOSOPHY



Business



eXperience



Technology

BUSINESS

- The business lens that considers the functions of the health bodies involved, the policies and legislation related to the field of e-health such as
 - the existing health laws,
 - the *existing medical data* that the various stakeholders collect (wherever they exist)
 - the organizational understanding of their operating systems.

eXperience

- The eXperience lens which considers the needs of users of a single electronic health record management bank, is important in terms of clarifying issues such as the encouragement to *avoid duplication of information and the use of common standards of medical terminology.*
- The implementation of these needs in the early stages of the design of a single bank of electrical health records *will allow the creation of a widely accepted system, with trusted medical content and automated absorption of information*.
- At the same time, *understanding how patients feel about sharing their medical data* can help create a citizen - centred system.

Technology

- The Technology lens, which examines the systems and the underlying infrastructure of the systems of the health institutions involved, *wanting to make it clear whether medical* systems such as
- the HIS Health Information System (OPSY) or
- the Health Insurance System of the Health Insurance Organization (HIO)
- can be used for the implementation needs of NEHA.

Project implementation actions

Ανάλυση υφιστάμενης κατάστασης	Επικαιροποίηση της τρέχουσας στρατηγικής	Μελέτη εκτίμησης αποκλίσεων	Ανάπτυξη και αξιολόγηση στρατηγικής	Παράγοντες ενεργοποίησης στρατηγικής
 Συλλογή και ανάλυση δεδομένων από: Δημοσιεύσεις και βιβλιογραφία, Περιπτωσιολογικές μελέτες, Δίκτυο επαγγελματιών της PwC και Συνεντεύξεις με τα ενδιαφερόμενα μέρη. 	 Ανάλυση της τρέχουσας στρατηγικής θέσης του οργανισμού. Διατύπωση αποστολής και οράματος. Προσδιορισμός στόχων μικρής, μεσαίας και μεγάλης εμβέλειας. 	 Μελέτη εκτίμησης αποκλίσεων που υπάρχουν μεταξύ της υπάρχουσας κατάστασης και της μελλοντικής. Διαμόρφωση κατάλληλης στρατηγικής για να καλυφθούν τα διάφορα το κενό (Gap Analysis). 	 Διαμόρφωση Στρατηγικών Επιλογών. Αξιολόγηση στρατηγικών επιλογών. 	 Καθορισμός σχεδίου δράσης. Σχεδιασμός Δομής. Πλάνο Διακυβέρνηση. Διασφάλιση ποιότητας. Διαχείριση αλλαγών.

Analysis of the current situation



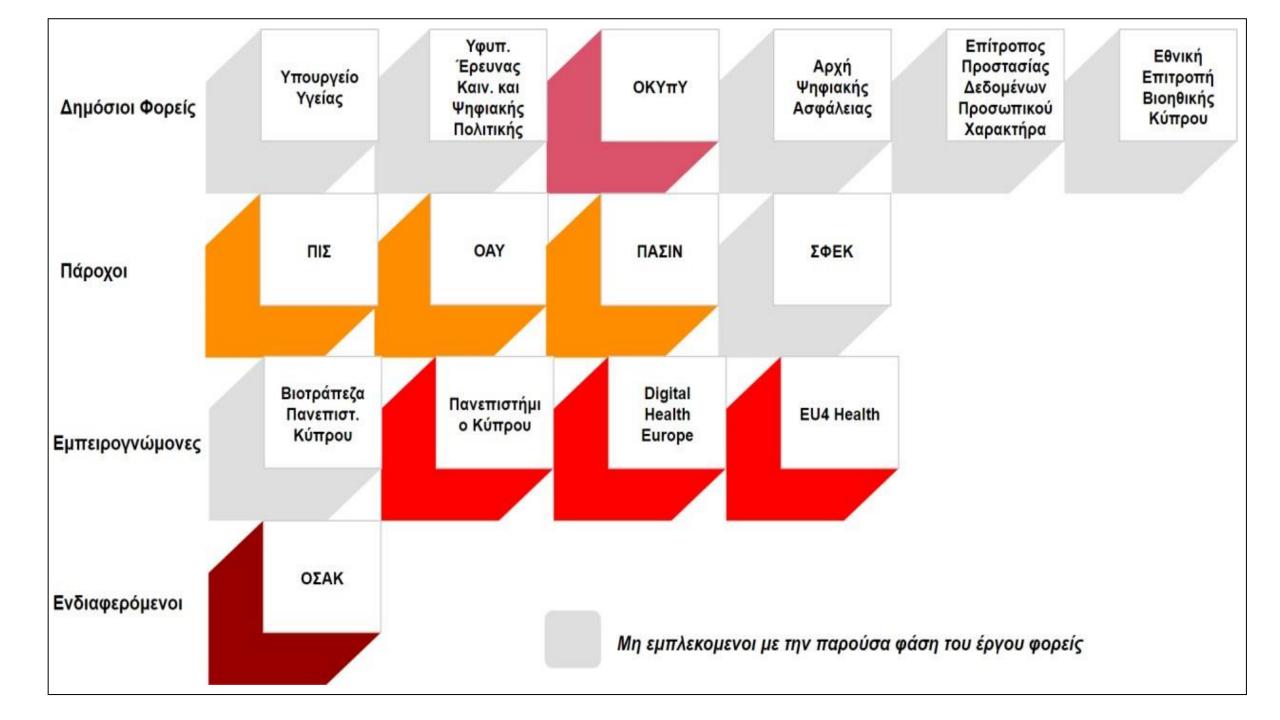
In order to understand the current health situation and the challenges that need to be addressed in the creation of the single EMR database, it was considered necessary to initially carry out a *first collection of data from various stakeholders of the domestic health sector*

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Through the interviews,

qualitative and quantitative data were collected and analyzed,

as well as the main *views and suggestions* about the study.



Stakeholders



Because there are many stakeholders involved, we recognized that their alignment was a challenge for this study in terms of data collection and analysis. For this reason, discussions focused on the following topics:



1. *General information concerning the participating organization* (e.g., range of services covered).



2. *The degree of inter-operability* of the electronic systems used, with emphasis on whether they act in a whole or in a fragmented manner.



3. *Details on the type of medical data stored* in their respective systems.

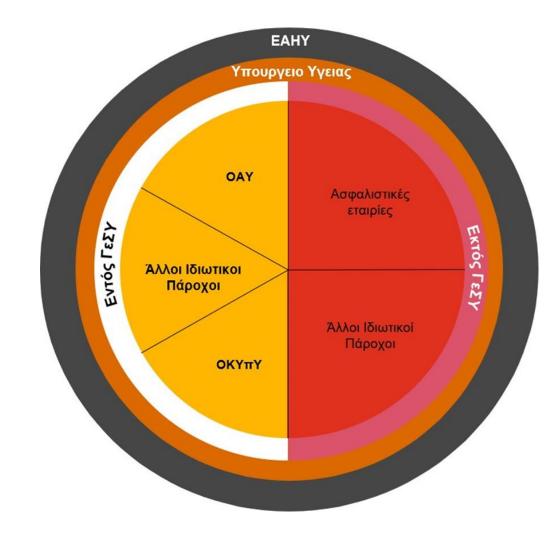


4. Any views, assessments, suggestions and concerns about the NEHA – PLAN for the creation and operation of a single medical information collection database.

Current Situation Analysis

Overview of the health sector in Cyprus

- Health insurance organization HIO
- State health services organization – OKYPY
- Association of Private Hospitals
- National contact point NCP



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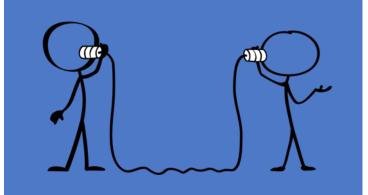


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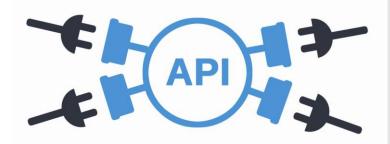
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Many providers found themselves at a *disadvantage position compared to those who did not use any IT system in the past*

To use their own information systems, and to prevent the *time-consuming process of duplicating information between their own IT solutions and that of the GHS,* the HIO has already taken steps to upgrade its operating system, through the integration of software applications (API),

ΗΙΟ



The existing system was designed and operates as an insurance system.



It was not made to store valuable clinical and medical information



For example, medical information is entered in the HIO system only when the attending physician carries out any medical referral.



This can be done up to 30 days after.

State Health Services Organization -SHSO

Has 42 different software systems

That can not talk to each other

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There is very little or NO meaningful medical information

A new system the OPSY – 2 system has just been announced 2 weeks ago. (48 millions !!)



One of their aims declare to be to work with NEHA on building a Patient Medical Record solution and SHSO wants to be the owner and be responsible for any change to this Universal Unified Electronic Medical Record.

Cyprus Association of Private Hospitals

52 different hospitals of all sizes From small clinics to large private hospitals

Most of this hospitals run different HIS systems

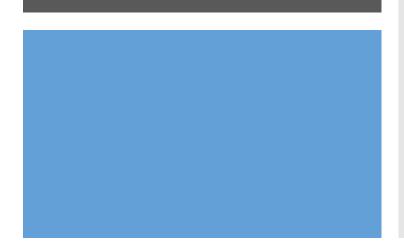
Some have some RIS and PACS systems

Around 100 different systems are in use

None can talk to each other.



National Contact Point - NCP



The Ministry of Health of Cyprus has proceeded to the fulfillment of the obligation arising from Article 6 of Directive 2011/24/EU with the establishment and operation of a National Contact Point (NCP) for cross-border care.

At the same time, a website has been created in order to provide information to Cypriot citizens and citizens of EU Member States on "Directive 2011/24 / EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2011 on the application of patients' rights in cross-border health care.

National Contact Point -NCP

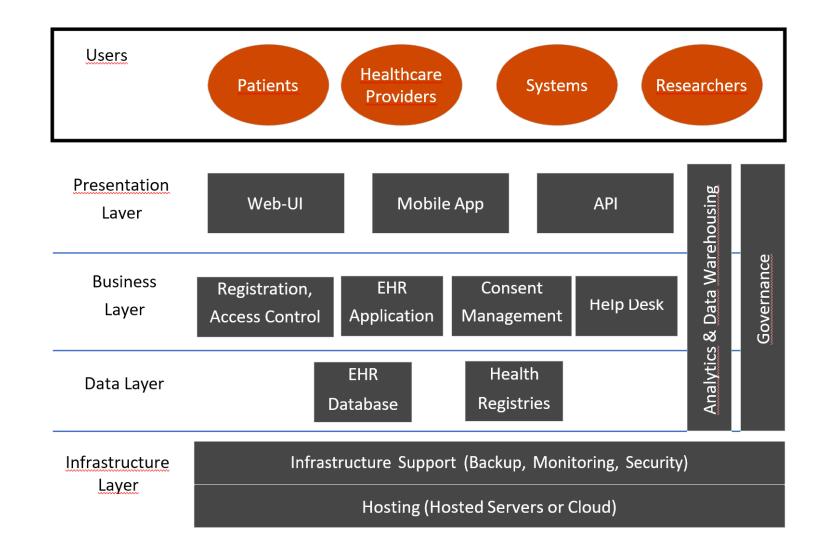
 According to the eHealth Law of 2019 (59(I)/2019), the NEHA is called upon to act in Cyprus and as the NCP for eHealth, ensuring the continuity of cross-border care and patient safety, through the provision of cross-border electronic health services.

EUROPE

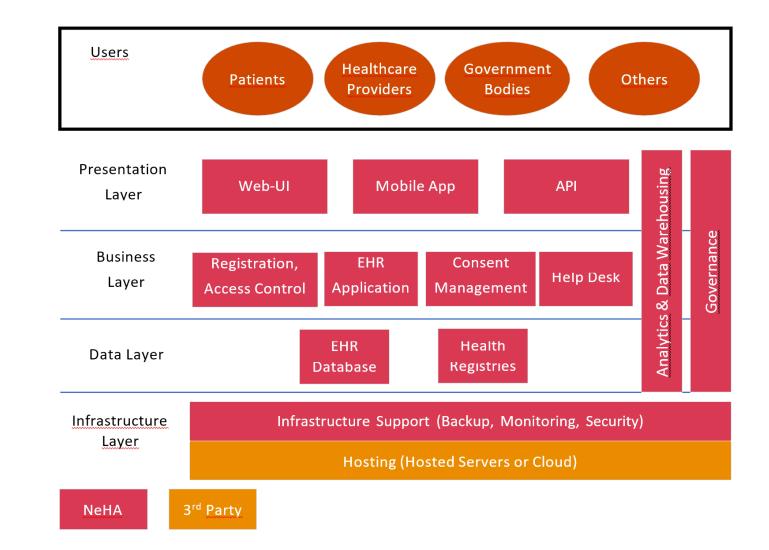
COUNTRY			Finland	Belgium	Luxembourg	The Netherlands	Malta	Denmark
ORGANISATION RESPONSIBLE			KANTA	The Brussels Health Network	eSante Luxembourg	Landelijk Schakelpunt (LSP)	myHealth	Sundhed
PURPOSE			To enable the storage of citizens' data in a national centralised service.	To ensure electronic and secure sharing of health data by and between health care providers and patients.	To promote optimal care and facilitate coordination in case of an emergency.	To provide a care infrastructure where providers are connected to allow consultations on patient medical data.	To provide a single medical electronic patient record available to all medical providers and patients.	To bring the entire health care sector together and enable citizens and health care professionals to meet and exchange information.
	EHR Content Data	Patient Summary	\checkmark		\sim	×		Image: A start of the start
		ePrescription/Dispensation						
		Laboratory results						
		Genomic data						
		Medical Imaging						
		Medical consultations						Image: A start of the start
		Wellbeing data	×					
		Vaccinations						
	Historicity of data		From date of implementation	Unknown	From date of implementation	Unknown	From date of implementation	From date of implementation
INTEROPERABILITY	OPERABILITY Standards & Frameworks		HL7 FHIR IHE for medical standards	HL7 FHIR KMEHR medical standards	• HL7 FHIR • IHE	HL7 FHIR SNOMED CT Cliq	• HL7 • WHO Standards	HL7 Danish Standards
ACCESSIBILITY	Access to the medical data		Every patient including every healthcare service provider	Every healthcare service provider including pharmacists	Access to the contents of the EHR can be given to everyone. However, certain EHR fields can be withheld according to doctor speciality (i.e., Physiotherapists do not have acess to biological data)	GP and your pharmacists can share important information about your health with other healthcare providers. Certain EHR fields can be withheld	Every patient including every healthcare service provider	Every patient including every healthcare service provider
	Security	Patient consent	Consent is given once, for all healthcare professionals all over Finland. Without consent, data can only be used by the healthcare service provider who has recorded it.	Data becomes available to medical providers only if the patient has given concent	Data becomes available to medical providers only if the patient has given concent.	Only with explicit consent other healthcare providers (other than the GP and Pharmacist) may view the medical data if it is necessary for the patient treatment	Acess to the data occurs only after the patient has given consent - the whole process is granular	The patient must approve health personnel access to his data
		Access Log information	 	~		~	×	×
		Patient right to restrict information		V			V	
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Conclusions

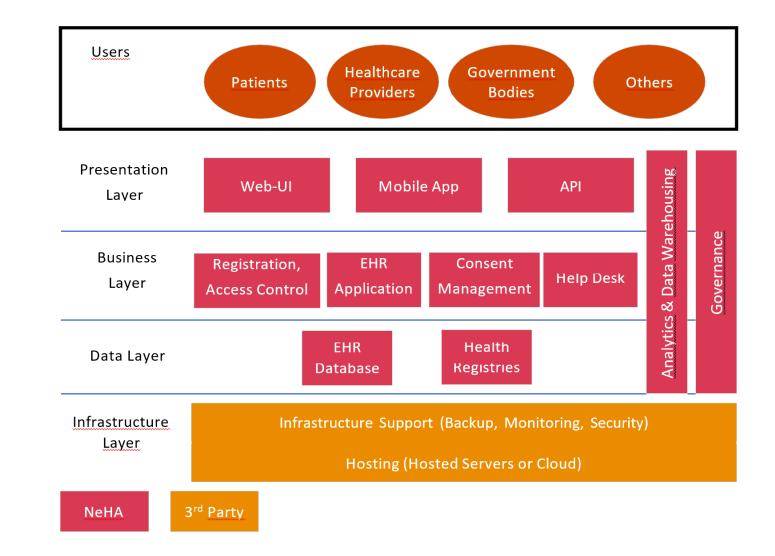
- It is of great importance to use international standards for coding medical terminology
 - (ICD-10 OR ICD-11, SNOMED CT, CPT-4, ATC etc)
- The architecture of the system and the implementation should use the *most "mature" Technologies*
- Countries such as Denmark have set up terminals for the storage of electronic health records, using a wide variety of
 integrated data collection circuits from the various health providers. The complexity of the integration and data transfer
 created several problems. This is something we want to avoid. AVOID COMPLEXITY.
- Emphasis should be placed on the **quality of medical data rather than on the quantity of data**. The quality and **completeness** of the data is crucial for the doctor to trust the information within the file to provide medical care.
- Any solution implemented, should not force health providers to record anything, through two different systems. *INTEROPERABILITY OF THE SYSTSEMS IS A MUST*.
- It is important to consider the scalability of the solution to be built. The scalability of a system will allow for the future to come. Any solution must therefore follow a modular architecture that will facilitate the implementation of future changes or updates.



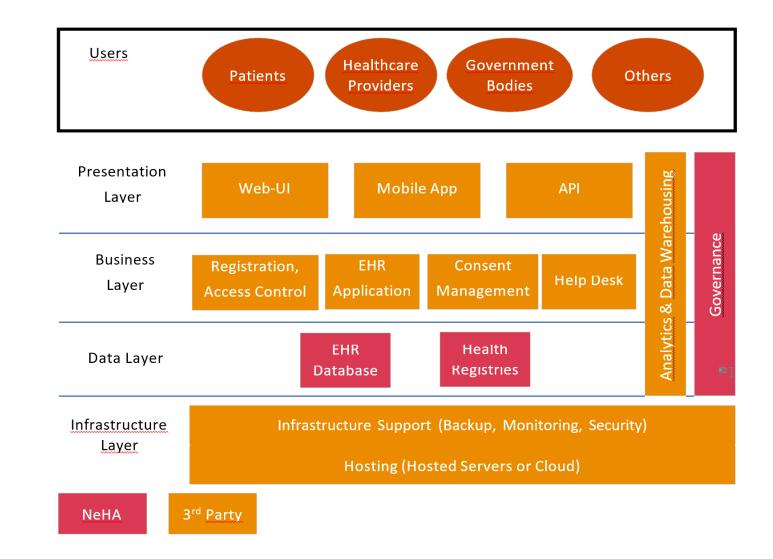
SYSTEM PLAN



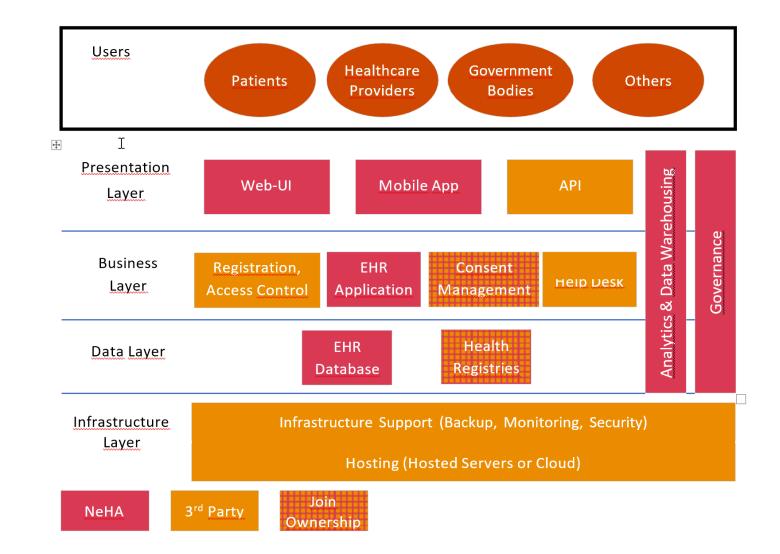
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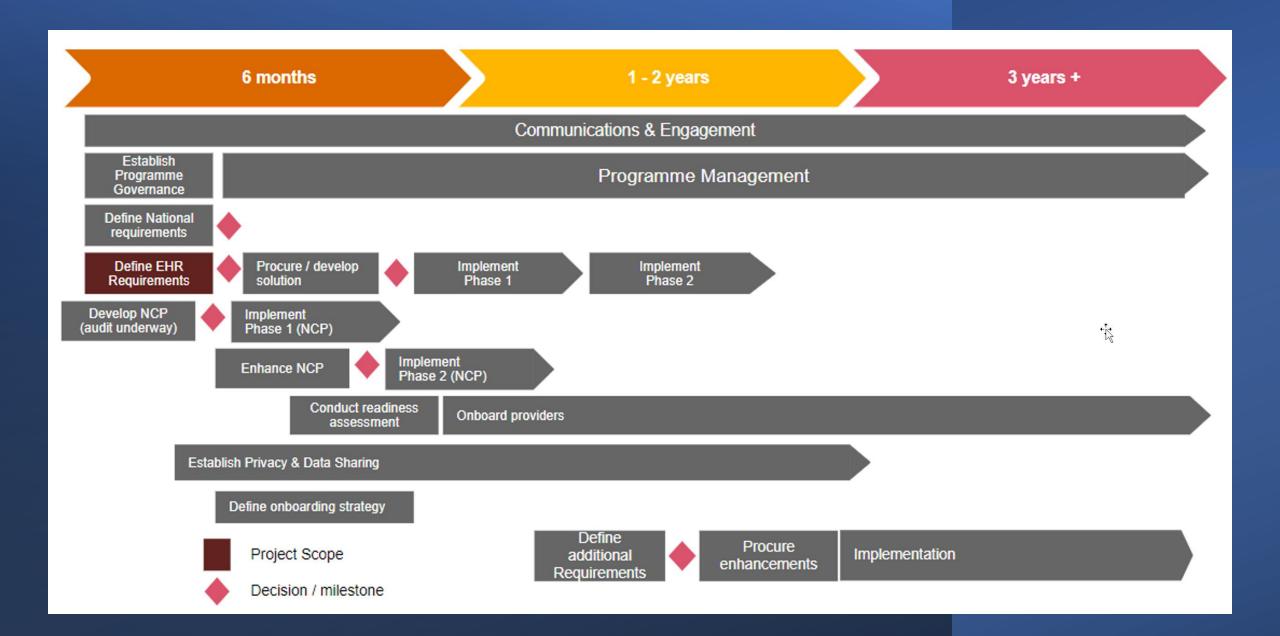
MODEL OWN BY NEHA

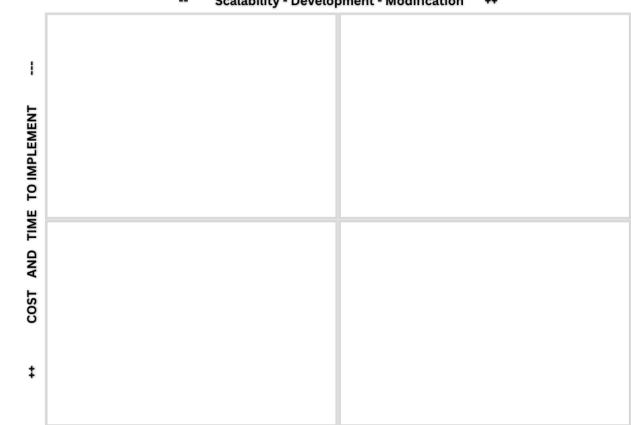


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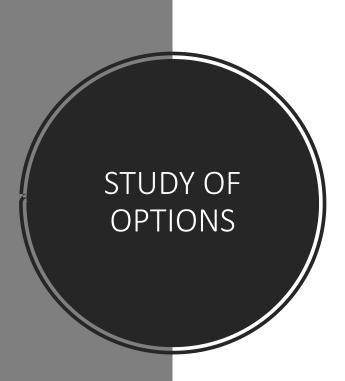


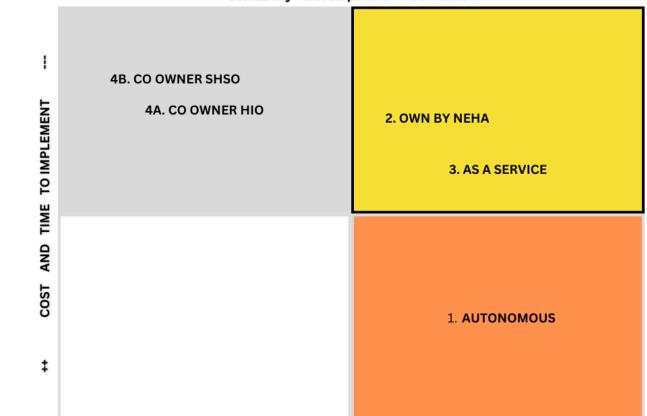
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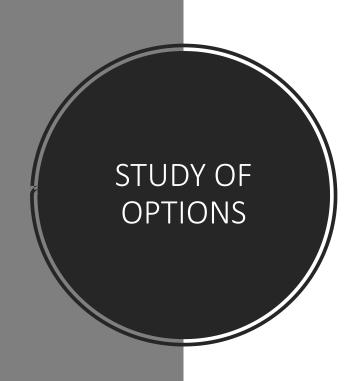


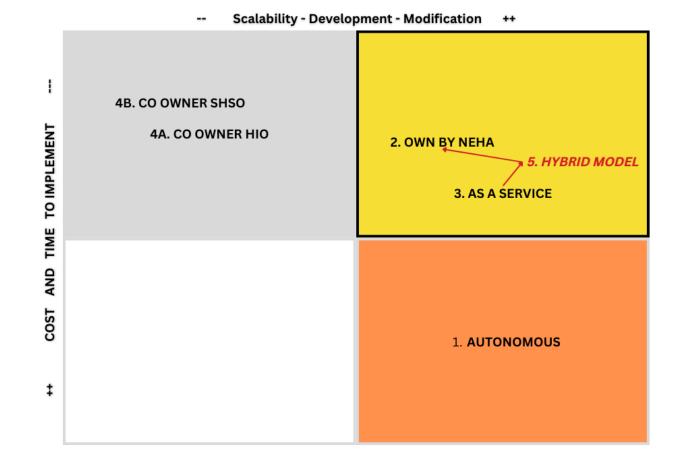












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COST AND BENEFIT



COST ANALYSIS

- **Program expenses** reflect the *initial costs associated with the development of the project.*
- **Operating expenses** are defined as the costs of support and management of the system during its operation.
- **Costs of providing services** relate only to alternative 2 (As a Service) and are the costs that NEHA will have to pay to the service provider for the project.

COST

		Στρατηγική 1		Στρατηγική 2	
Περιγραφή Κόστους	Είδος Κόστους	1ος Χρόνος (€)	2-7 Χρόνια (€)	1ος Χρόνος (€)	2-7 Χρόνια (€)
Προσωπικό υποστήριξης	Έξοδα προγράμματος	1.050.000	5.215.000	850.000	5.215.000
Προσωπικό υποστήριξης	Λειτουργικά Έξοδα	372.000	4.480.000	-	-
Υλοποίηση	Έξοδα προγράμματος	2.000.000	-	-	-
Μηχανήματα και εξοπλισμός	Έξοδα προγράμματος	565.000	35.000	-	-
Ανάπτυξη λογισμικού και δικτύου	Έξοδα προγράμματος	750.000	-	-	-
Συντήρηση και αναβάθμιση λογισμικού	Λειτουργικά Έξοδα	-	2.800.000	-	-
Παροχή υπηρεσιών	Έξοδα παροχής υπηρεσιών	-	-	2.000.000	11.670.400
Λοιπά έξοδα εκπαίδευσης και διαχείρισης αλλαγών	Λειτουργικά Έξοδα	60.000	590.000	60.000	400.000
Προσαρμογή κόστους κατά 5%		67.350	656.000	145.500	864.270
Σύνολο		4.864.350	13.776.000	3.055.500	18.149.670
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Benefit analysis



Quantitative benefits

Qualitative benefits

Quantitative benefits

Reducing the cost of care per patient

Reduction of double medical examinations

Reduction of the average Hospital length of stay

Increased productivity of the workforce

Reduction of primary care visits

Reduction of avoidable hospitalizations

Reducing the cost of care per patient

- A study by PwC Australia, estimated that hospitalizations from *medical errors can be reduced by up to 4%.*
- The results of a study of 5 million people in the U.S. showed that *patients treated in hospitals with advanced electronic health records cost an average of 9.66% less* than patients admitted to hospitals without an electronic patient record (Swanson Kazley et al. 2014).

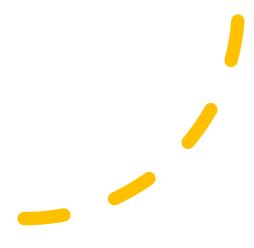
Reduction of double medical examinations

 A study by PwC Australia predicts that around 13% of medical examinations performed in clinical laboratories and radiology centers can be avoided through the exchange of information between medical providers.



Reduction of the average Hospital length of stay

 Lee et al., 2015, identified that the duration of hospitalization in hospitals with complete electronic patient record was 0.59 days less



Increased productivity of the workforce

 The scientific journal Health Economics, Policy and Law, shows that the implementation of electronic record increased the productivity of medical staff by 6%.

Reduction of primary care visits

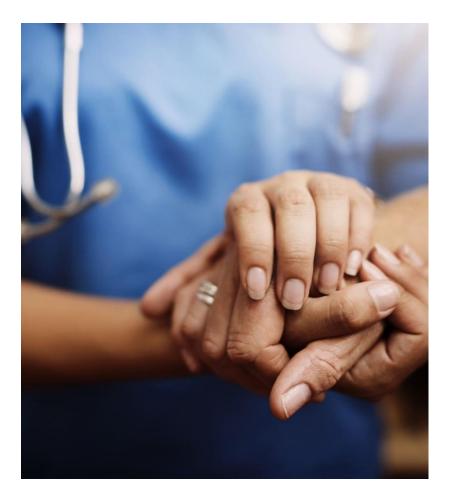
 Two years after the full implementation of electronic health records, *primary care visits decreased in two U.S. regions by 11%* (Garrido et al., 2005) Reduction of avoidable hospitalizations

- Supporting clinical decisions can reduce preventable hospitalizations by up to 37% (Wong, 2008).
- The capabilities of the electronic health record can reduce the readmission rate by 26% through better data analysis, access to clinical notes and support decisions (Amarasingham et al., 2012)

Qualitative benefits

The qualitative benefits are understood and valued primarily by patients, healthcare professionals and healthcare managers.

At the same time, while their social benefit is clear, these benefits, are not easy to quantify.



Qualitative benefits

- Preventive management of care
- Improved provider collaboration
- Improved patient management
- Integrated management of health services
- Better research on population health and clinical interventions

Through a comprehensive long-term management of medical conditions based on the correct communication, thorough description and availability of the patient's full medical history *Decisions are not made using incomplete medical information*.

As a result, *fewer patients fall victim to wrong medical decisions or Errors*, which leads to more satisfactory medical experience

Preventive management of care

Improved provider collaboration

With electronic patient medical records constantly available and in a standardized format, *the overall decision-making support and the ability of providers to collaborate is significantly increased*.

Medical care providers can form teams from the wide range of information *leading to multidisciplinary approach on treatment plans*.

Improved patient management

Currently, *early and effective intervention are being missed due to the lack of available clinical data*, which ultimately leads to delays in clinical involvement of specialists.

The continuous upgrading of the content of electronic health records *will lead to improved decision support* by reducing the time required before making medical decisions. Integrated management of health services

 Through the management of hospitals and health services that can be supported through the monitoring of patient flow, service costs and clinical outcomes. Better research on population health and clinical interventions The data in electronic health record systems contain a *rich source of retrospective data that can be used to analyze health trends*.

The results of the various investigations can also *support the development of guidelines based on medical evidence* implemented as best clinical practices

$$NPV = \sum_{t=0}^{t-1} \frac{B_t}{(1+r)^{t-1}} - \sum_{t=0}^{t-1} \frac{C_t}{(1+r)^{t-1}}$$



COST AND BENEFIT

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- NPV NET PRESENT VALUE
- T Years
- R Interest
- B Benefits
- C Costs



BENEFIT OVER TIME (7 YEARS) – 2%

1. <u>Καθαρή Παρούσα Αξία (NPV)</u>

Τα αποτελέσματα που προκύπτουν από τον υπολογισμό του NPV είναι ως ακολούθως:

Στρατηγικές Επιλογές (ΣΕ)	NPV (€)
Στρατηγική Επιλογή 1 - Ιδιόκτητο	137.999.355
Στρατηγική Επιλογή 2 - Σαν υπηρεσία	146.245.347

Πίνακας 4: ΝΡV στρατηγικών επιλογών

BENEFIT OVER TIME (7 YEARS) 1% - 6%

Ανάλυση ευαισθησίας:

	Υφιστάμενο	Χαμηλότερο	Ψηλότερο	
	2%	1%	6%	
ΝΡV - Στρατηγική Επιλογή 1 - Ιδιόκτητο	137.999.355	60.285.286	448.855.635	
ΝΡV - Στρατηγική Επιλογή 2 - Σαν υπηρεσία	146.245.347	63.325.012	477.926.688	
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Πίνακας 6: Ανάλυση ευαισθησίας για το ποσοστό όφελους κόστους

Hypotheses, assumptions and sensitivity analysis

- During the calculation of the NPV, we identified 7 areas that require a higher degree of judgment or are more complex, or areas where the assumptions and calculations are likely to have a significant effect on the outcome of the model. As a result, we described below the 7 areas together with the sensitivity analysis, presenting the results of the NPV in case we had a lower or higher source of information.
- i. Cost benefit rate
- ii. Cost adjustment
- iii. Growth rate
- iv. Discount rate
- v. Total costs of system implementation
- vi. Period cost benefits
- vii. Profit rate from a supplier (CC2)

Cost benefit rate

- The percentage range used in other cases is between 2 7% for the calculation of the NPV, the lowest percentage (2%) of the spectrum was used, for the following reasons:
- The size of the country is always directly relevant along with the rate of benefit from such projects. Considering the size of Cyprus compared to other national EHR projects, then the cost-benefit rate will be significantly lower, due to lower economies of scale.
- GHS was first implemented on 1 March 2019, which means that the system is still new.
- The HIO already has an existing system which allows for a central but basic visibility of patient information.