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New in July

- FF Thompson Hospital radiology images are now available in the Image Exchange
- ACM Pathology is available for eResults Delivery and in the VHR
- Strong & Highland Hospital ED reports are now available for eResults Delivery and in the VHR
- New NYS Patient Consent Form effective 7/15/09

Turn the Paper Off

Practices receiving their lab, radiology and transcribed reports electronically through a RHIO interface are telling their data providers to stop sending paper. Just think of the savings...

- **Savings to the practices** include staff time to match reports to patients, the cost of printing , the cost of storing paper files and the cost of calling the data providers to find results.
- **Savings to the labs** include the staff time to fax/mail reports, and the cost of responding to calls looking for results.
- **And – it's all through one interface.** Practices and data providers save when they stop paying to build and maintain multiple "point-to-point" interfaces.

Image Exchange

The Rochester RHIO has piloted access to radiology images on the HIE with Lakeside Health System for several months. Thompson Health images are now available. In the coming weeks, images from Borg & Ide, Clifton Springs Hospital and Rochester Radiology will be available for VHR users.

Using the Image Exchange is easy:

1. Download the image viewer from the link on the VHR login page.
2. Go to the radiology tab on the VHR to find the report.
3. Click on the "image" icon. 

July's Numbers

- 1.2 million clinical reports are added to the health information exchange each month.
- 120 physician practices are connected, representing 350 physicians and 1300 authorized users
- 30,000 patient consents have been recorded. More than 97% of patients asked, provide consent for their healthcare provider to use the RHIO

What are we working on?

- Adding new hospitals – Geneva General, Soldiers & Sailors, St. James Mercy, Medina Memoria
- Piloting lab ordering through a practice's RHIO interface
- Interfacing with many of the EHR vendors used by area practices
- Building a Patient Portal for our website, where patients can manage their consents and request an audit

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