



Improving Outcomes with a Pediatric Health Information Exchange

Nationwide Children's Pediatric Health Information Exchange ("HIE") is a safe way for health care providers to get the most up-to-date medical information about your child.

The HIE allows caregivers to access or share health information improving the speed, quality, safety and cost of your child's care.

BENEFITS FOR YOUR CHILD AND FAMILY

When you opt in to participate in the HIE, you are consenting to share your child's medical information with other healthcare providers who are part of the HIE. This may benefit your child and family in several ways:

Emergency treatment – Medical staff can immediately check your child's record to determine if allergies, medications, or past concerns may be key factors in helping them provide emergency care.

More accurate and complete information – Your child's healthcare providers will have access to more complete information, allowing them to diagnose health problems earlier or make recommendations to help prevent problems from arising based on your child's health history.

Improved care – With access to medical care and health history information, your healthcare provider has a more complete picture of your child's overall health. This helps ensure he or she has the information needed to make better care decisions, for example making recommendations and prescribing medications that will not have a negative impact on any other current medication or treatment.

WHAT'S EXCHANGED

When your child visits another care provider participating in the HIE, the following information may be exchanged:

- Patient demographics
- Provider information
- Past medical history
- Surgical history
- Hospitalizations
- Family history
- Social history
- Allergies
- Medications

