## **OCHIN In Basket Approach**

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A driving force for health equity

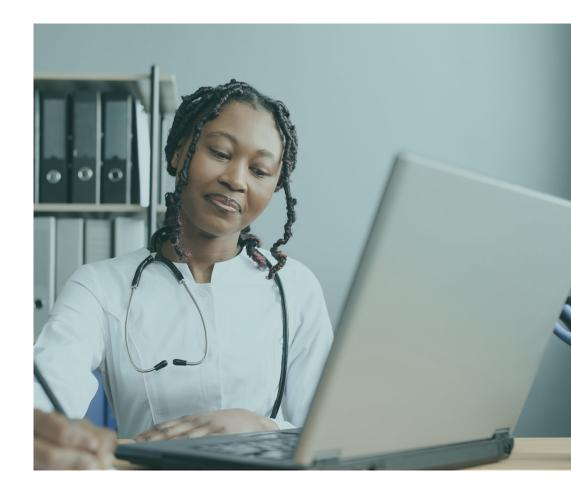


### **Our Comprehensive Portfolio** of Focused Solutions

As a trusted partner to a collaborative and growing network of health care providers nationwide, OCHIN helps you deliver more efficient, connected, patient-centered care for the diverse communities you serve.

Improve your productivity and peace of mind with programs and tools reflecting **20+ years of practice-based research and solutions expertise**.

- As your single source for insight and innovation, we provide a **robust continuum of productivity resources** informed by the largest community health data repository in the country.
- Our **integrated service portfolio** puts your organization, your patients, and your community at the center of equitable, sustainable health care transformation.



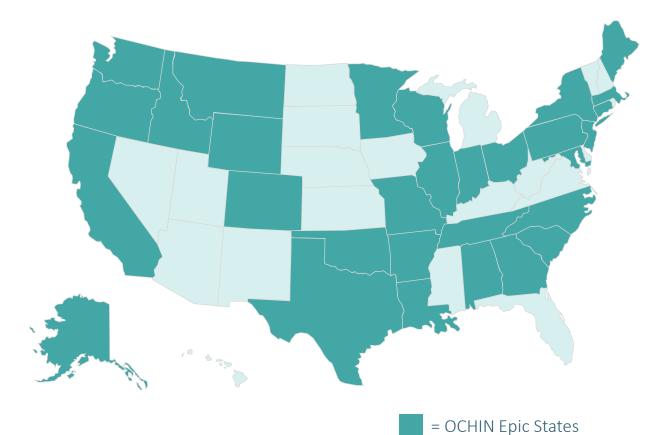
### About OCHIN

With the largest collection of community clinical health data in the country and more than two decades of practice-based research and solutions expertise, OCHIN is a leader in equitable health care innovation and a **trusted partner to a growing national provider network.** 

#### 21 years of serving 6M+ active patients across Rural Access Clinics 1,000+ Federally Qualified Health Centers health care delivery sites with School-based Clinics 21,000+ providers in **Correctional Facilities** 46 Behavioral Health Providers states with **Dental Clinics** 272M+ Public Health Departments clinical summaries securely exchanged (47) **HIV/AIDS** Care Organizations

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### **About OCHIN Epic: Connecting Care Across 30 States**



**4M** 

active patients across

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### 171

organizations in

30

states with

60M+

clinical records exchanged annually

### Moving Data to Create a Nationwide Health Care System

**239M+** Clinical Summaries exchanged since 2010

**13M** annual exchanges with non-Epic organizations

Regional Health Information Exchanges (HIEs): 22 contracted/legacy HIEs, 4 HIEs in pipeline

Community Referrals: 25 members live with 12 partners

Community Referrals: 20 health systems in pipeline

OCHIN leverages our resilient technology platform and ongoing member insights to create a more connected, dependable system of community care.



As of December 2021

### Moving Data to Create a Nationwide Health Care System



#### **State Registries**

- **76** PDMP integrated members
- **10** members in process for PDMP
- **22** immunization registries (**19** bidirectional)
- 2 immunization registries in process

#### Laboratory

• **51** Labs (all bidirectional)

#### **Electronic Case Reporting (eCR)**

• **1.4M+** messages triggered by COVID events since April 2020

### Moving Data to Create a Nationwide Health Care System

**Federal Partners** 

27K annual exchanges with Social Security Administration

**250K** annual exchanges with Department of Veterans Affairs



<u>Carequality</u> exchange framework

eHealth Exchange HUB two-way participant



eHealth Exchange

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### OCHIN's In Basket Journey

#### In 2020, OCHIN sponsored an In Basket Management Improvement Project

- Response to member health centers requesting help and advice
- Providers and care teams felt overwhelmed by incoming messages
- Numerous message types indicate need for different approaches



**Result:** OCHIN's In Basket Efficiency Setup and Support Guide



### In Basket Management: Enlisting the Care Team



- Many OCHIN members had a **default setup**.
- This led to a high volume of messages going directly to provider In Baskets:
  - ✓ Outside Events Messages
  - ✓ MyChart Advice Requests
  - ✓ Refill Requests
  - ✓ Scanned Documents
- In many cases, these messages could be triaged by other care team members.

### Sample Recommendations for Message Types

Message Type	Recommended Approach/Recipient	Recommended Workflow	Message Notes/Distinctions
Outside Events Messages	Triage pool of care team members	<ul> <li>Review for consult notes, results of outstanding diagnostic orders, hospital admissions/discharges</li> <li>Notify providers of relevant results; coordinate care transitions and ER follow-ups</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Often a blend of important and duplicate information, especially in the CHC setting</li> <li>Often too much information to review from provider's In Basket</li> </ul>
MyChart Advice Requests	Triage pool of care team members	Triage like patient telephone calls	<ul><li>Smooth workflow helps ensure:</li><li>Quick responses for patients</li><li>Improved MyChart adoption</li></ul>
Refill Requests	<ul> <li>When direct from SureScripts, to providers</li> <li>Otherwise, through triage pool</li> </ul>	Take advantage of refill protocols wherever appropriate	Can be addressed quickly when teed up for provider

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Scanned Documents	<ol> <li>Sort by document type and attach to orders where relevant</li> <li>Forward to provider/other appropriate staff, or file without message where appropriate</li> </ol>		<ul> <li>Many CHCs receive large fax volumes, which are difficult to manage unless well-organized</li> <li>Often, provider review unnecessary</li> </ul>
Overdue Results	To clinical support staff or lab pool	Review for missed results or tests	<ul> <li>An important safety check, especially for tests performed outside the health center</li> <li>Can be numerous and hard to manage</li> </ul>

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### In Basket Experience: Continued Monitoring



#### In Basket Dashboard

- Tool within Epic
- Helps supervisors identify overdue message responses and staff who may be struggling

#### Signal

- Available from Epic
- Identifies usage patterns across Epic, including In Basket.
- Can also identify message volumes, related patterns, and improvement opportunities

#### Tableau

 Monitors collaborative-wide for In Basket usage patterns

### In Basket Experience: Lessons Learned



#### Adopting new workflows is challenging

Requires significant effort, even with best practice recommendations available



#### **Community health centers are diverse**

Roles, tasks, and support systems vary widely across the OCHIN collaborative and need attention



#### Patient information volume is high

EHRs are adept at accommodating these large volumes so strategize and organize to optimize this capability



#### **Continuous improvement = best experience**

OCHIN continues to monitor usage patterns and gauge member feedback, adopting new tools/functionality





Meeting You Where You Are to Create a More Connected, Efficient System of Care



#### **Moving Data More Effectively**

Take advantage of **versatile tools and capabilities** that create a more connected, efficient nationwide health system.

#### **Enlisting the Care Team**

Identify key challenges associated with incoming messages to triage communications across the entire care team, **boosting** your peace of mind while reducing provider burden.



#### **Continuing to Monitor and Adapt**

Communication is key across the OCHIN collaborative, so experiences can be tracked and assessed—resulting in **more efficient workflows** that address your community's specific needs.

# Thank You

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