

eHealth System	Description
	<p>An electronic medical record or “EMR” is a computer-based, digital version of a paper medical chart in a physician’s office. EMRs contain patient demographics, medical and drug histories, diagnostic information, immunization records and the physician’s clinical notes among other data. The advanced functionality of an EMR allows physicians to manage activities such as billing, scheduling and other tasks, as well as create templates and reports for patient care. In private community-based clinics patient information stored in an EMR is typically available only to those authorized to use the EMR within the physician’s practice.</p>
	<p><i>eDOCSNL</i> is the program that delivers and manages the provincial EMR for users in Newfoundland and Labrador. The program is jointly governed by the NLMA, the Department of Health and the Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Health Information (NLCHI). Seventy per cent of the program cost is covered by the provincial government with the remaining 30 per cent paid by participating physicians. Participation in the program is voluntary. Only physicians enrolled in the <i>eDOCSNL</i> program will receive assistance with EMR installation, clinic support and ongoing training. The program also ensures the provincial EMR is compatible with the province’s other health IT systems, including a seamless flow of patient information from the provincial electronic health record (<i>Health NL</i>) to the patient’s EMR record. To learn more visit https://edocsnl.ca</p>
	<p><i>Med Access EMR</i> is the product that has been selected by <i>eDOCSNL</i> to serve as the EMR solution for the provincial program. All EMRs installed under the <i>eDOCSNL</i> program are powered by <i>Med Access EMR</i>. The <i>Med Access EMR</i> product is owned by TELUS Health.</p>
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	<p>While patient data stored in an EMR is typically confined to the physician’s practice, health information stored in an Electronic Health Record or “EHR” travels with the patient across different health care settings. An EHR is a more comprehensive view of a patient’s health care record over time and includes information from across health care organizations. Digital health records stored in an EHR come from multiple sources, such as clinics, hospitals and pharmacies. It can be accessed by multiple providers within the patient’s circle of care by any computer with Internet access or at the point of care using a mobile device.</p>
	<p><i>HEALTHe NL</i> is Newfoundland and Labrador’s Electronic Health Record (EHR). <i>HEALTHe NL</i> consolidates information from a variety of sources across the province, including the community medication profile from the Pharmacy Network, medical imaging, clinical documentation, lab results and encounters from each of the RHA MEDITECH systems, as well as immunizations from the Client Referral Management System (CRMS) and demographics from the Client Registry. It provides timely access to up-to-date patient health records when and where needed and enables coordination between health care providers. Physicians can access <i>HEALTHe NL</i> by visiting https://healthnl.ca or within the patient’s record in the <i>Med Access EMR</i>. There is no cost to use <i>HEALTHe NL</i>. To become an authorized user call 709-752-6006, 1-877-752-6006 or email service@nlchi.nl.ca</p>
	<p>The Pharmacy Network is a province-wide drug information system that integrates patient medication profiles from all community pharmacies in Newfoundland and Labrador. Pharmacies contribute to the Pharmacy Network in real-time whenever a prescription is filled at a pharmacy in the province. Every patient with an MCP number is linked to a medication profile that is stored in the Pharmacy Network, which can be accessed by any authorized user of <i>HEALTHe NL</i>.</p>
	<p>MEDITECH is used at hospitals in each of the four Regional Health Authorities. Hospital MEDITECH systems include lab results, DI reports, encounter notes, community-wide appointment scheduling and staff contact information. MEDITECH systems throughout the province share information with <i>HEALTHe NL</i>.</p>