



VistA Office EHR

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VistA Office EHR Overview

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Project Goals

- *VistA Office EHR will...*
 - Promote health information technology adoption in the physician office setting
 - Enable the exchange of clinical quality measures
 - Be based on the current Veterans Health Administration Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) VistA

Federal Partners

- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
- The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
- The Indian Health Service (DHHS/IHS)
- The Health Resources and Services Administration (DHHS/HRSA)

Development Approach

- **Version 1.0 expected to be released July 2005**
- **Modular approach to modifications**
- **Usability testing**
- **Field Testing**
- **Release software via website**

Modifications to VistA

- **Registration changes to support general practice in non-VA environment**
- **Enhanced functionality for pediatric and OB/GYN care**
- **Laboratory interface training package and implementation guide**
- **Measure reporting to QIO clinical warehouse**
- **Disease management/Registry reminders and reporting**
- **HL7 interface specifications for practice management and billing applications**
- **Improved installation procedures**

Usability Testing

- **Phased approach: First phase scheduled for December 2 - 15**
- **20 users/groups**
- **Remote access**
- **Registration form will be posted to CMS website**
- **Testers will receive instructions, test scripts and feedback forms**

Field Testing

- **Tiered approach to maximize number of sites**
 - Three sites where CMS will provide on-site IT support
 - Additional federal partner sites
 - Working toward model that will facilitate additional sites
- **Initial stage to begin January 2005**
 - Beginning with improved wizard driven installation procedures

Project Update



- Future project updates and information will be posted on the CMS website at:
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/quality/pfqi.asp>

Feedback and Suggestions

- Send to:
Vista@ifmc.org
- Input will be reviewed on an ongoing basis for consideration to address in version 1.0 or future versions.