

ENHANCING ACCESS TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) REGISTRY

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Why participate?

There is a nationwide need for an increase in the ease of access to state registries to promote transparency and empower patients. Providers and hospitals are looking for ways to connect with key health data in order to meet the public health registry requirement in the Promoting Interoperability Program.

In 2018, NJ enacted N.J.S.A 26:2k-67 which mandated Emergency Medical Service (EMS) agencies to utilize electronic Patient Care Reporting (ePCR) for each patient encounter. This data is transmitted to the NJ Department of Health in a National EMS Information System (NEMSIS) standardized format. NJHIN is piloting a streamlined and reliable means for hospitals to receive the encounter report automatically into the EHR system.

This use case is consistent with ONC goals to promote interoperability by connecting public health data and provider systems used in their process workflow.

There is no NJHIN costs for hospitals to participate in this use case.

Those interested in joining should contact njhin@njii.com or complete our [online form](#).

Who is eligible?

NJ Hospitals that are members of the New Jersey Health Information Network (NJHIN) are eligible. Five pilot hospitals in NJ will participate, representing the most underserved Medicaid beneficiary area concentration.

What can NJII do for you?

NJII will assist participants with:

- Program enrollment
- Integration with NJHIN Master Patient Index (MPI)
- Integration with EMS-ImageTrend database

Proprietary EHR interfaces may be required to connect to the NJHIN which the hospital would need to provision.

For organizations that are part of NJHIN, a Use Case Exhibit will need to be signed. For organizations new to NJHIN, a Data Use and Reciprocal Sharing Agreement and a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement would need to be signed.