Electronic Health Record Data Extraction: Current Status and Continuing Challenges

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Breakout Session #3



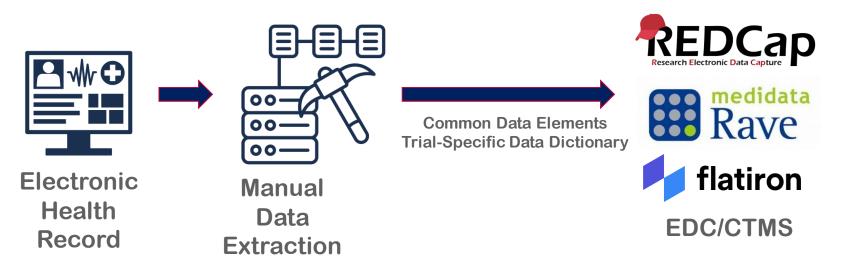
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Current State of Clinical Data Collection

 Most clinical data extraction for the purposes of IRB-approved research and observational or clinical trials is performed by human beings who are trained and have some level of domain expertise.



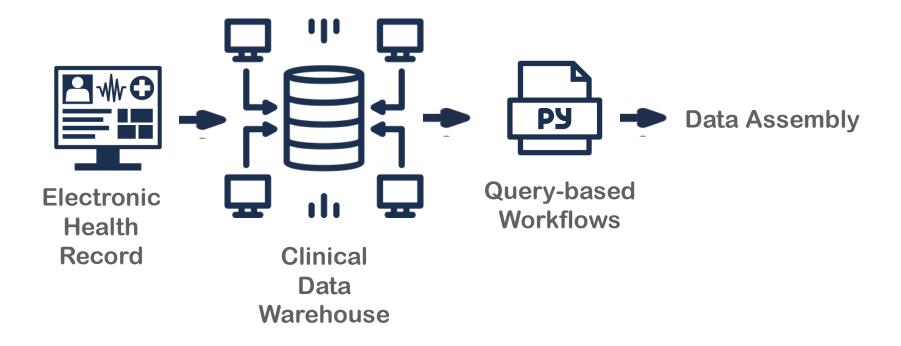
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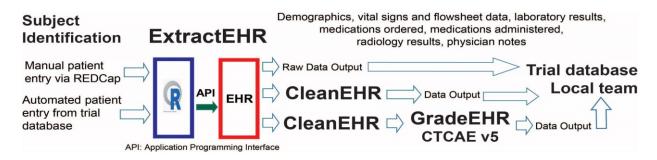
CAD CLINICAL DATA INTEROPERABILITY SERVICES (CDIS) This feature allows an individual REDCap project to interact with an electronic health record (EHR) such as EPIC, Cerner, etc. and pull selected information from the EHR into the REDCap project. Augmentation ٩Ę۲ 00 **Electronic** Manual Health Data Record Extraction

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ExtractEHR Pilot



- R package that extracts data from EHR data warehouse
 - Implemented at multiple hospitals to extract range of data elements with high accuracy
 - Includes range of data types: structured (e.g. labs), semi-structured (e.g. radiology reports), unstructured (e.g. notes)
- Extracted data needs processing for use (CleanEHR, GradeEHR)
 - Key to focus on data quality, formatting to match needs of use case
 - Use to create granular analytic grade datasets (e.g. accurate rates of laboratory adverse events during therapy)
- CCDI pilots ongoing to test use for clinical trials (NCT05020951, NCT03126916) and SEER registry

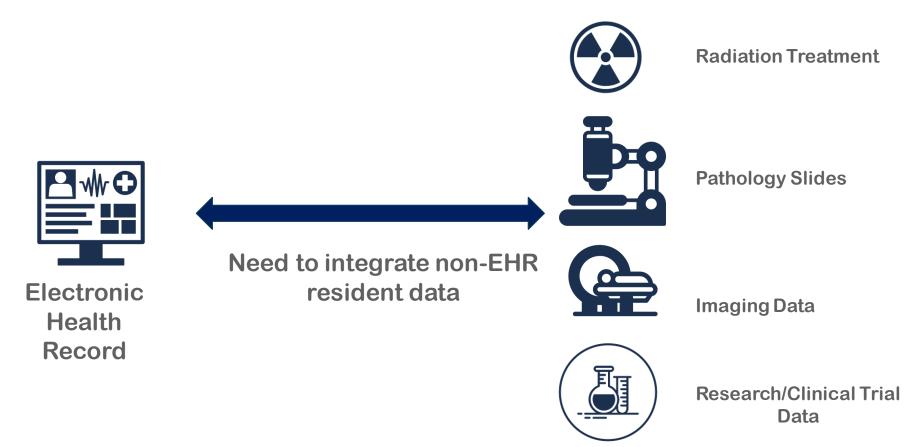
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- Opportunities to optimize not only on data coming out, but also on data going into the EHR. Pilot projects could explore standardizing clinical data entry in ways that could be expanded across a national network





EHR Extraction Discussion Summary

- Pediatric Cancer Research is a good environment to lead these efforts due to existing networks, tighter scope of focus areas, and the higher likelihood that pediatric patients stay within a limited medical network for their care
- CCDI provides unique opportunities for EHR-based tactics that can enhance observational and natural history components of clinical trials
- Current COG or CCDI pilot projects can be connected to the EHR extraction efforts
- Initial pilot projects need to pair the technical compatibility and feasibility of implementation at a particular site with impactful use cases to demonstrate the potential and assess extensibility



EHR Extraction Discussion Summary – Next Steps

- Pilot efforts should be implemented presently with short (1-2 year) intervals
- Align efforts with broad / long-term CCDI goals including both:

(1) supporting scientific discovery in pediatric cancer biology and in clinical trials and

(2) mechanisms for real-time decision support tools for a national tumor board

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