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**ClinicalConnect™ Now Integrated with
eHealth Ontario's Acute Clinical Data Repository**

We are pleased to announce the successful integration of hospital reports from eHealth Ontario's Acute Clinical Data Repository (aCDR) with the connecting South West Ontario (cSWO) Regional Clinical Viewer, ClinicalConnect.

Physicians and clinicians authorized to use ClinicalConnect at Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS) are the first to be able to access reports from hospitals outside south west Ontario from within the clinical viewer. These hospital reports available from the aCDR will appear in the Transcriptions module of ClinicalConnect; the Source column will display eHealth Ontario, and the Facility column will provide the name of the site where the report was generated. A complete list of facilities that contribute data to the aCDR is available at <https://apps.connectinggta.ca/datasummary/index.html>.

To gain access to this new data source in ClinicalConnect, which is one of a number of provincial assets that will be made available over the coming year, eHealth Ontario requires all ClinicalConnect Participating Organizations have the necessary agreements, schedules and other mandated requirements in place. In conjunction with the development and build of an electronic health record (EHR) infrastructure, the provincial EHR security and privacy programs are aligned with current International Organization of Standardization (ISO) standards and *Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA)*, 2004.

For ClinicalConnect users, the integration with eHealth Ontario's aCDR will provide access to additional acute and community care data from healthcare organizations located outside South West Ontario, thus improving the timeliness of care decisions by reducing duplicate tests and procedures and better supporting care transition points. Starting with clinician-identified priority data, the aCDR offers ClinicalConnect users access to data sets from acute care hospitals outside of South West Ontario (e.g. discharge summaries, consultation reports, emergency department reports, visits and encounters). Diagnostic images and lab results can be made available to ClinicalConnect users via existing integrations with eHealth Ontario's Diagnostic Imaging Common Service, and the Ontario Laboratories Information System.

ClinicalConnect is the Regional Clinical Viewer for the cSWO Program, funded by eHealth Ontario. Hamilton Health Sciences is the Solution Provider deploying ClinicalConnect across the four South West Ontario Local Health Integration Networks. The cSWO Program is part of eHealth Ontario's ConnectingOntario initiative which is enabling the Province to achieve an electronic health record solution for all Ontarians.

For more information about ClinicalConnect, please visit <http://info.clinicalconnect.ca>.

Thank you to our partners at eHealth Ontario and the Acute Clinical Data Repository team for their assistance and commitment in bringing this integration to fruition.

The eHealth Centre of Excellence is the Change Management and Adoption Delivery Partner (CM&A DP) for the Waterloo Wellington LHIN and is responsible for the deployment of cSWO Program services. Our role is to work with local health service providers to facilitate the business and technical adoption of cSWO EHR Program solutions and standards into the regular delivery of care. If you have questions, please contact us at:

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