



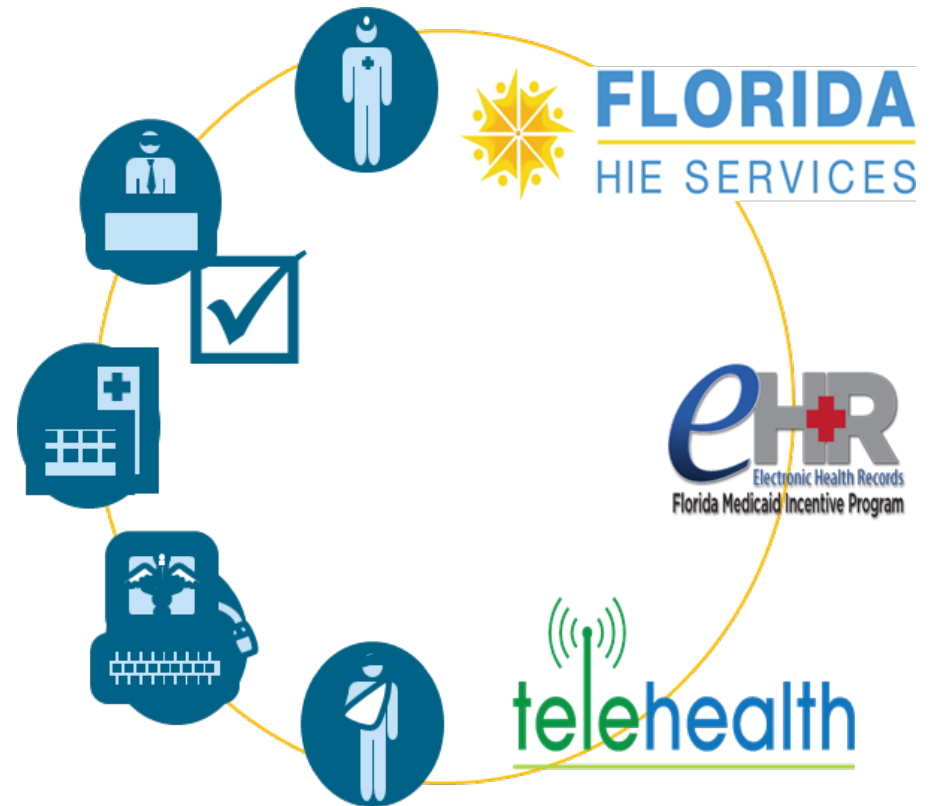
# Agency for Health Care Administration Health IT Initiatives

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# Agency Health IT Initiatives

- Administration of the Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program
- Telehealth
- Promotion of e-Prescribing
- Governance of the Florida Health Information Exchange (Florida HIE)





**eHR**  
Electronic Health Records  
Florida Medicaid Incentive Program



# EHR Adoption Stats

According to a 2015 National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS), 87% of physicians reported using an EHR system and 78% reported using a Certified EHR system.

The states with the highest adoption rates are Wyoming (79%), South Dakota (77%), Utah (75%), Iowa (75%), and North Dakota (74%).

Since 2008, office-based physician adoption of an EHR has nearly doubled, from 42% to 87%.

Physician specialties with the highest adoption rates are internal medicine / pediatrics (76%), nephrology (75%), family practice (75%) and urology (74%).



Source: <https://www.practicefusion.com/blog/ehr-adoption-rates/>

# Florida Milestones

- Status as of January 16, 2018

Application Status	PY16*
Submitted and Pending	591
Incomplete	419
Approved/Paid	1480

- Payment information as of January 16, 2018
  - Total Eligible Professionals (EP) Paid: 15,355
  - Unique EPs Paid: 8,906

\*PY = Program Year





# Telehealth

HB 7087 (2016) / 2016-240 L.O.F.

1. **Telehealth Advisory Council:** 15 members including the Secretary of AHCA (Chair) and the Surgeon General (member)
2. **Survey** for current capabilities, utilization and coverage levels:
  - AHCA to survey licensed health care facilities
  - DOH to survey licensed health care practitioners
  - OIR to survey health plans and HMOs
3. AHCA to submit a report of **survey findings** to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House by **12/31/2016**
4. Final Advisory Council report of **recommendations** to increase the use and accessibility of telehealth services by **10/31/2017**



A complete copy of the Telehealth Advisory Council's Report is available on-line at:  
[AHCA.myflorida.com/telehealth](http://AHCA.myflorida.com/telehealth)





# Telehealth Advisory Council Recommendations



- **Definition**
- **Health Insurance**
  - Coverage
  - Reimbursement
- **Licensure**
  - Interstate Licensure
  - Standards of Care
- **Patient Safety**
  - Patient-Practitioner Relationship
  - Consent
  - Prescribing
- **Technology**



# Example Telehealth Programs



UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI  
MILLER SCHOOL  
of MEDICINE

Pediatric Mobile Clinic Expands  
Telemedicine Services with Grant



Florida Hospital Sebring & Lake Placid Begin Using  
Telemedicine

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- **Legislation**
  - Senate Bill 280
  - House Bill 793
- **Policy Changes**
  - Medicaid Fee for Service Rules
  - Network Adequacy
  - Regulatory Board Rules
- **Education**
  - Medical & Allied Health Schools
  - Health Care Practitioners
  - Health Care Facilities

# Telehealth Resources



**Current and pending laws, Federal and all states**

[www.cchpca.org](http://www.cchpca.org)



**Regional telehealth education and technical assistance services**

[www.gatelehealth.org](http://www.gatelehealth.org)



# e-Prescribing

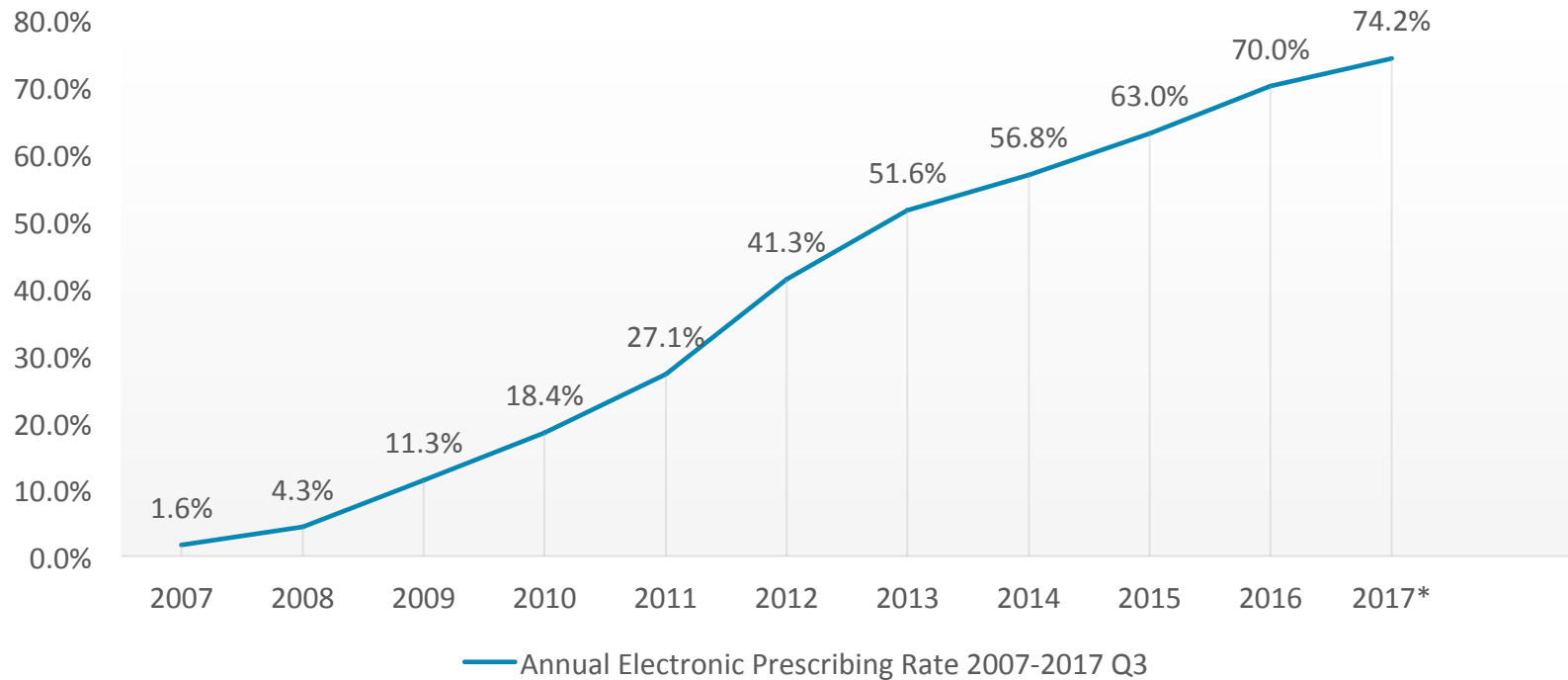


# e-Prescribing Metrics

- The Agency produces a quarterly dashboard of metrics
  - [www.FHIN.net](http://www.FHIN.net)
  - Provides statewide adoption and use trending
  - Shows comparison of Florida to national e-prescribing rates
- Florida has seen a steady increase in e-prescribing since the inception of the initiative in 2007
- Data collection for e-prescribing of controlled substances (EPCS) began in 2015



# Annual Electronic Prescribing Rate 2007 - 2017



# Enablement Status of EPCS for Florida

## Prescribers

Prescribers must utilize EHR software that is EPCS certified and audit approved to enable e-prescribing of controlled substance

As of September 2016, approximately 3.2% of active e-prescribers in Florida have been enabled to prescribe controlled substances

As of September 2017, approximately 7.4% of active e-prescribers in Florida have been enabled to prescribe controlled substances

## Pharmacies

Pharmacies must be ready to receive EPCS transactions from prescribers with approved software

As of September 2016, 79.9% of pharmacies in Florida are enabled to receive e-prescribed controlled substances

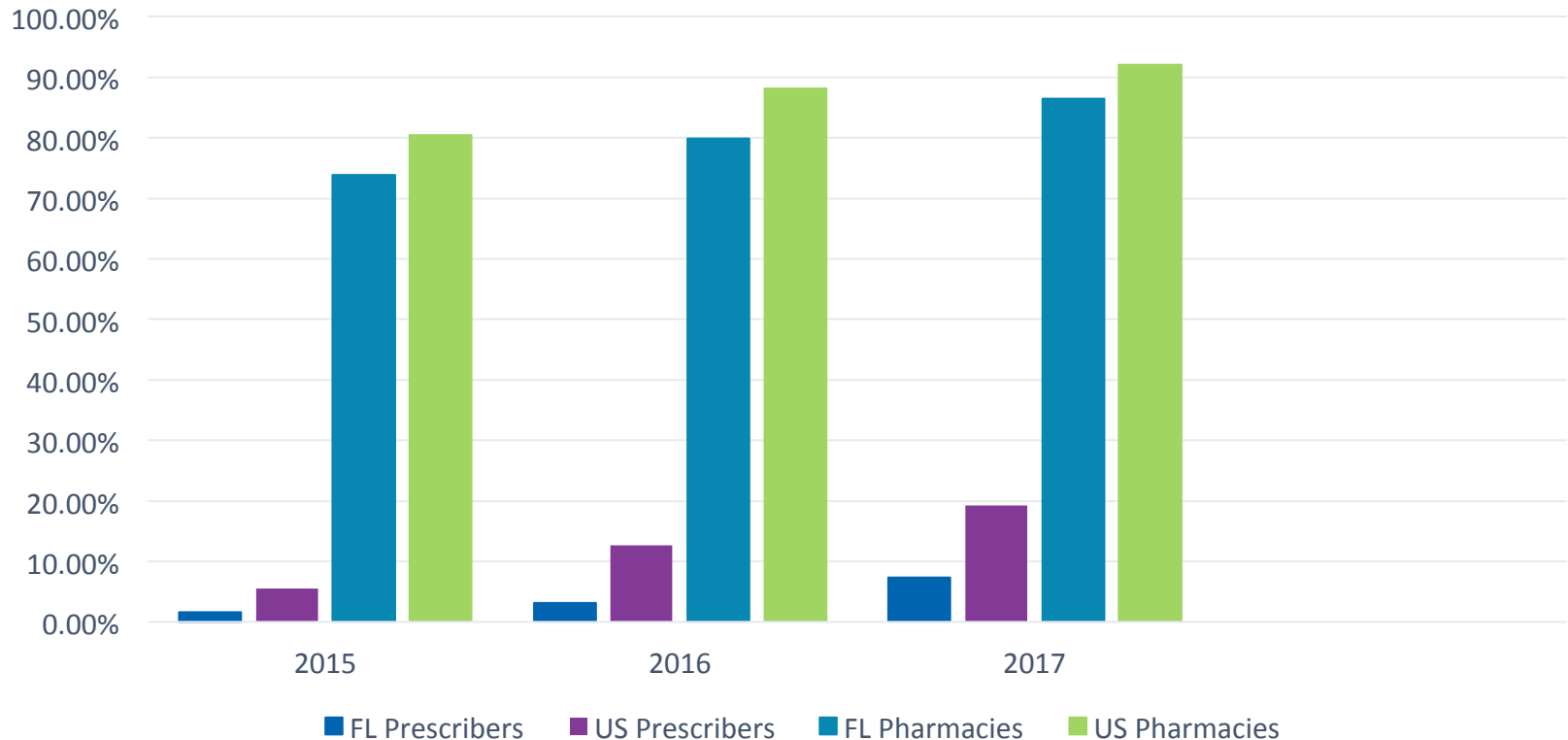
As of September 2017, 86.5% of pharmacies in Florida are enabled to receive e-prescribed controlled substances

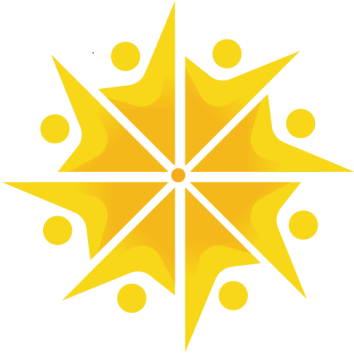




# Enablement Status of ePrescribing of Controlled Substances

## Florida EPCS Enablement Compared with US Average





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**HIE SERVICES**

# Secure Messaging

- Basic, secure, HIPAA-compliant exchange
  - Push model of exchange
  - Uses industry-developed Direct standards
  - Strict identity verification standards for users
  - Supports transport of documents of any format
- DirectTrust accreditation means that users can exchange with a trusted nationwide network of over 1.3 million users
- Florida HIE Services Direct Messaging is an inexpensive web-based alternative for Florida providers



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# Query Exchange

- Built on the nationwide eHealth Exchange platform
  - Allows providers to query for patient clinical records
  - Federated network with no centralized data repository
  - Common data standards, legal agreement, and governance
  - Covers 100M patients nationwide
- Assists in meeting the health information exchange requirements of Meaningful Use, which includes
  - Electronically exchanging summary of care records
  - Incorporating electronic summary of care records into an EHR
  - Performing clinical reconciliation using received summary of care records
- For more information, visit
  - <https://www.florida-hie.net/plu/>
  - <http://sequoiaproject.org/ehealth-exchange/about/>



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# CMS Funding Opportunity for Query Exchange



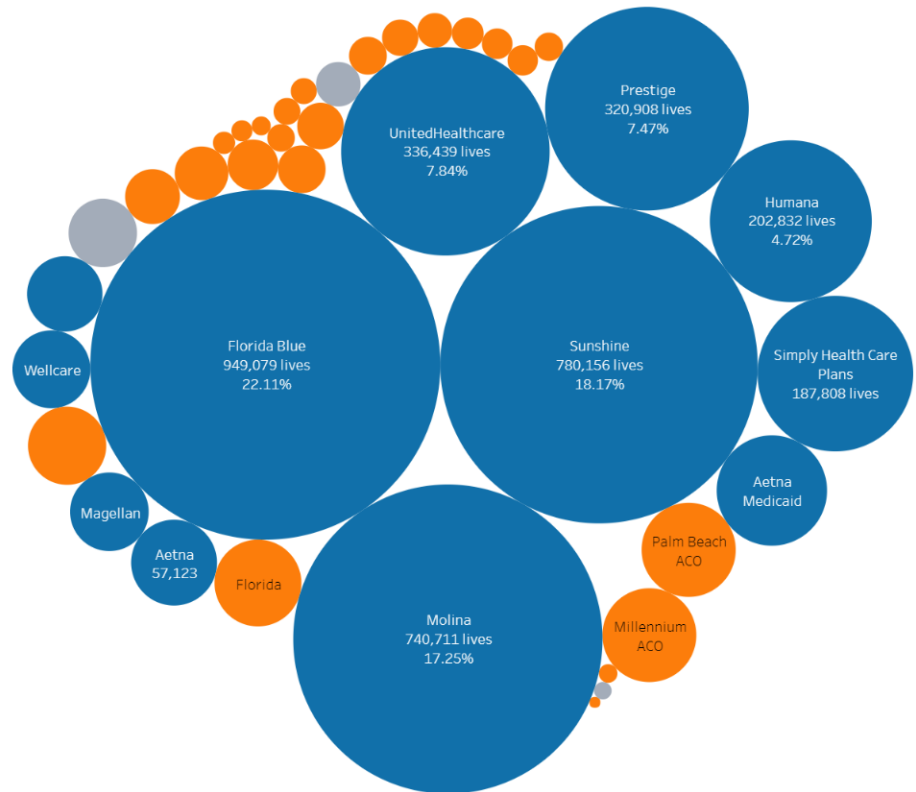
# Encounter Notification Service (ENS)

- Offers timely notice of patient hospital encounters to health care providers and health plans.
  - 215 hospitals covering 95% of all acute care hospital beds in Florida share data
  - Patient-authorized exchange
  - Improves care coordination and transitions of care
  - Reduces hospital admissions and readmissions
  - Supports value-based payment models



# ENS Subscribers

- 40 current subscribers
  - 23 accountable care organizations
  - 12 health plans
  - 4 ambulatory providers
  - 1 hospital system



## Subscriber Type

- Health Plan
- Accountable Care Org
- Provider



# ENS and ROI

- One participating ACO was able to use ENS to transition patient care to their offices within two weeks on 79% of hospital discharges
- The same ACO was able to reduce post-discharge expenses by \$1,882 per episode when a TCM code was billed
  - Medicare Transition of Care Management billing codes 99495 and 99496





# CMS Funding Opportunity for ENS Subscribers



# Contacts and Resources



[www.ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/ehr](http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/ehr)

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<http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/SCHS/telehealth/>



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