

State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council

March 13, 2025

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Mission Statement

“The mission of the State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council is to assist the Agency in reviewing the comprehensive health information system, including the identification, collection, standardization, sharing, and coordination of health-related data, among federal, state, local, and private entities and to recommend improvements for purposes of public health, policy analysis, health information exchange and transparency of consumer health care information.”

Florida HIE Contracts

Department of Health (Support HIE for Medicaid Patients)
Point Click Care (Florida HIE Services)

Emergency Patient Look-Up Service (E-PLUS) Contracts

HealthTech Solutions (Education and Training)
Point Click Care (E-PLUS System)

Responsibilities

The State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council

Shall provide insight and expertise to the Agency regarding the publication and dissemination of health-related data and statistics. The Council aims to standardize the sharing of health-related data across federal, state, local, and private stakeholders.

The Council shall develop mission statement, goals, and a plan of action for the identification, collection, standardization, sharing, and coordination of health-related data across federal, state, and local government and private sector entities.

The Council may establish other Ad Hoc, issue-oriented workgroups to make recommendations as needed.

Data Dissemination & Transparency Contracts

Comagine Health (Web development & maintenance)
Cloud Navigator (Web FHF, FL Rx)
Health Care Cost Institute (FHCF)
Ebix (ADAM Health Encyclopedia for FHF)
3M Health Information Systems (GrouperLicense)
Strategic Digital Services (Marketing and Transparency Re-Design)
The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS National Statistical Database on FHF)

Florida Health Finder (FHF); Florida Health Price Finder (FHFP); Florida Price Finder (FL Rx)

Data Collection & Quality Internal System

Florida Discharge Data Collection (FDCC) System

Patient Safety Culture Survey Program Internal System

Patient Safety Culture Survey (PSCS) System

Shevaun Harris,
Secretary, Agency for
Health Care Administration

Council Members

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Karen van Caulil, Ph.D.,
President, and CEO,
Florida Alliance for
Healthcare Value

Vice Chair
David Shapiro, MD,
Administrator, Red Hills
Surgical Center

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Insurance Regulation

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Health Planning Council of
Northeast Florida

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Florida Medical Association

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AdventHealth

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and Informatics, Florida
Department of Health

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of Florida

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Health Plans

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Executive Office of The
Governor

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Director of The Center for
Economic Prosperity, The
James Madison Institute

Andrew Weatherill, Ph. D.,
Student Support Services
Senior Director, Department
of Education



AGENDA

State Consumer Health Information and Policy (SCHIP) Advisory Council

Meeting Date: March 13, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Location: Virtual:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2519823809783734878>

Dial-in Information: Will be provided upon registration.

TIME	ITEM
10:00 AM	Welcome & Roll Call
	Review & Approve Meeting Minutes (Action Item)
	Previous Action Item Review and Status Updates
10:15 AM	HIECC Update
10:25 AM	Florida Center Updates
11:00 AM	Patient Safety Culture Survey Update
11:45 AM	Break
12:00 PM	OneFlorida+ Presentation
1:30 PM	Public Comments
1:45 PM	Meeting Summary & Next Steps
	Adjournment

Welcome and Roll Call



Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes (action item)



**State Consumer Health Information and Policy (SCHIP) Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes**

Date: Thursday December 12, 2024

Location: GOTO Webinar: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1214524285668260702>

Members Present: Karen L. van Caulil, Ph.D., David Shapiro, M.D., Joyce Case, Jarrod Fowler, Diane Godfrey, Dennis Hollingsworth, Lindy Kennedy, Cindy Meredith, Andrew Weatherill, Ph.D.

Agency Staff Present: Pamela King, Milly Hardin, Crystal Ritter, Jose Barajas Medina, Kim Davis-Allen, Sketch Piers, Dana Watson, Erika Pearce, Dylan Dunlap

Interested Parties Present: Deborah Foote, Orlando Suarez, Jamie L. Graves, David Allen, Jonathan Denton, Mariah Barfield, Jason Hand, Ben Browning, Denise Bellville, David Dieterich, Tab Harris, Jenny Raulerson, Kristal Middlebrook, Shelley Mannino, Sherina Gonzalez, Linda Macdonald

Meeting Materials: [State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council \(myflorida.com\)](https://myflorida.com)

Welcome & Roll Call: Dr. Karen van Caulil called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Karen asked Milly Hardin to read the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) statement and to take roll. Ms. Hardin read the ITN statement:

“On Monday, May 6, 2024, the Agency released AHCA ITN 012-23/24, Statewide Health Information Exchange Service, in the Vendor Information Portal. Therefore, we are now in the statutory blackout period for this ITN. Section 287.057(25), Florida Statutes, prohibits any person from contacting an employee of the executive or legislative branches until 72 hours after the posting of an award from the solicitation. Any communication by or on behalf of a potential respondent during this period is strictly limited to the Procurement Officer as provided in the ITN. The Procurement Officer for this ITN is Weston McKain.”

Ms. Hardin took roll and a quorum was present. Dr. van Caulil read the current mission statement and noted that she would like the Council to review and update the mission statement to better reflect current needs at the upcoming retreat.

Review and Approve Meeting Minutes: Dr. van Caulil asked the Council if they had a chance to review the meeting minutes; all members agreed they had a chance to review the minutes. Dr.



David Shapiro moved to approve the meetings minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Dennis Hollingsworth and carried unanimously.

Previous Action Items and Status Updates: Ms. Hardin gave status updates.

Invite One Florida to present during the next SCHIP meeting	Will invite to future meeting.
Send members acronym list	Provided
Provide links to DOE stories	Provided
Provide the Council with a summary list of items implemented in Florida Health Finder this year	Provided
Share the type of data provided in ENS, Data elements	Provided
Reach out to members about their ability to have someone facilitate a retreat and provide a venue	The Agency is working with Velatura and they are getting a place ready once we have a date.
Add Mission Statement to the agenda outline	Complete
Check on any limitation the Council may have on developing an updated mission	Complete, there are no limitations
Confirm whether a member of the Council is limited to offering free meeting space if they are regulated by the Agency	Not specifically prohibited but would prefer to not use these facilities.

Health Information Exchange Coordinating Committee (HIECC) Update: Craig Dalton gave the HIECC update. The HIECC met on November 13th. Mr. Dalton was re-elected as Chair and Dr. Kayvan Amiri was elected as Vice-Chair. A question was raised about the ePrescribing report, and the Committee asked some questions about compound pharmacy participation, this topic will be further explored. There was a conversation about Emergency Patient Look-Up System (E-PLUS) patient matching and using the after-action report for targeted outreach to increase match rates.

Florida Center Updates: Pamela King provided the Florida Center Updates:
Office of Data Dissemination and Transparency - Patricia Vidal, Administrator
Transparency Websites:

- **Transparency Cover Page:**
 - Modified the header *navigational buttons* and footer *quick links* names for consistency.
- **FloridaHealthFinder Website Updates:**



- Modified the header navigational buttons and footer quick links names for consistency
- Searching navigation was changed back to a previous consumer friendly version
- New search options:
 - Behavioral Health Teaching Hospital was added to the Special Designation search option
- New consumer guide:
 - A-Z Young Adult Resource Guide
- New flip card for Hospital at Home Program was added to the homepage
- Hospital Provider Profile page was updated to display additional facility address as a dropdown
- Updated the link to contact us and/or webinar request
- Homepage tool/flip cards:
 - New – Blood Donation Centers
 - New - Florida Hospital at Home Program
- Updated version of ADAM data was added. This provides the information for the Health Encyclopedia
- Updated version of the Query Tool was added
- Added the Certificate of Need Publication's link to the homepage mega menu under the Agency Information tab
- **MyFloridaRx Website Updates:**
 - Modified the header *navigational buttons* and footer *quick links* names for consistency
 - Added the information to identify whether a drug is brand or generic
 - Researching possibility of increasing from the top 300 most frequently dispensed drugs to 400
- **FloridaHealthPriceFinder Website Updates:**
 - The 2024 All Payer Claims Database (APCD) onboarding process is complete
 - The APCD data refresh with the 2023 data will be ready for publishing in early 2025

Office of Data Collection and Quality Assurance - Nancy Tamariz, Administrator

- **Blood Clot and Pulmonary Embolism Policy (BCPEP) Workgroup**
 - The BCPEP workgroup met in person on October 31, 2024 to review their recommendations
 - The final BCPEP workgroup met November 21, 2024, to finalize their report recommendations, which is due by December 31
- **Discharge Data Reporting**
 - Q2 2024 data certification date closes December 6, 2024
 - Q3 2024 quarter is currently ongoing



- **Patient Safety Culture Survey Program**
 - The Patient Safety Culture Survey Program (PSCS) has transferred to the Office of Data Collection from the Office of Health Information and Exchange. The Agency is currently in the process of hiring staff to oversee the program.
 - The Agency's Patient Safety Culture Survey (PSCS) implementation is on schedule. The Agency is preparing for the inaugural PSCS data reporting period, June 1 through August 31, 2025. The system is regularly tested and the PSCS website is updated regularly with upcoming education sessions and the latest notifications from the Agency.
 - The Agency works with Florida hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers (ASCs), their respective associations, and all interested parties to provide ongoing education sessions regarding the PSCS administration procedure and Agency expectations.
 - The PSCS Team continues to be proactive in solution-based planning for potential disruptions in system functionality or use of the PSCS system. They are working with developers to automate the registration process and implement this year.

Office of Health Information and Exchange – Pamela King, Administrator

- **Health Information Exchange:**
 - As mentioned previously, the Agency is still in a blackout period for the invitation to negotiate (ITN).
 - The requested grant funding from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service (CMS) to help support the E-PLUS system and the Florida Department of Health's (Florida Health) HIE system was approved for this Federal Fiscal year.
 - A new Memorandum of Understanding with Florida Health has been signed to provide funds for their HIE system for the next 3 years.
 - A review was done of hospital National Exchange connectivity – this is the current barometer used to determine overall ability for providers to exchange patient records data throughout the state. Hospital connectivity for National Exchange is currently at 71% – this includes psychiatric and rehabilitation hospitals. The hospitals connected make up 80% of the state's hospital beds.
 - The ePrescribing report for 2023 has been posted – though there are limitations on the data available for these reports – there is an increase in the number of eprescriptions; the percentage of eprescribers as of December 2023 is 106%. It is believed that this number is skewed due to telemedicine encounters.
 - There is a slight decline in the number of pharmacies that are receiving eprescriptions, going from 96% to 93% from 2022 to 2023. It is believed that this is due to pharmacy consolidation, but work will be done with the Florida Pharmacy Association to determine the cause.
 - Eprescribing outreach efforts will be focused on the electronic prescription of controlled substances (EPCS) – however, there are increases here as well, with 73% of prescribers having enabled systems to EPCS and 92% of pharmacies enabled to



receive them. There was discussion regarding the reporting requirements, specifically whether e-prescribing had met the intended goal and if the reporting requirement should be repealed. Staff will investigate and the Council will discuss at a later date.

- **E-PLUS Program**
 - The E-PLUS program was activated for Hurricanes Debby, Helene, and Milton. Ms. King reviewed a presentation around the E-PLUS Program. (a copy of the slides can be found on the website: [State Consumer Health Information and Policy Advisory Council \(myflorida.com\)](http://myflorida.com)). The Council discussed the benefits of having the E-PLUS Program for all Floridians.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Ms. Hardin let the Council know there were only two nominations for Chair, those nominated were Dr. Karen van Caulil who accepted the nomination and Dr. David Shapiro who declined his nomination for Chair but accepted his nomination for Vice Chair. Ms. Hardin then asked the Council if there were any nominations from the floor, no nominations from the floor were made. Ms. Hardin then asked the Council for a motion to approve Dr. van Caulil for Chair, and Dr. Shapiro for Vice Chair, by unanimous vote Dr. van Caulil and Dr. Shapiro will remain in their current positions.

Public Comments: No public comment.

Meeting Summary & Next Steps:

New Action Items	Owner
Send Council members Patient Safety Culture Survey educational session	Crystal Ritter
Meet with Karen van Caulil in January about SCHIP's role in providing input on E-Plus and other additional areas as needed.	Pamela King
Provide additional information on the algorithm used by the vendor to establish the APCD bundle amounts.	Jaime Bustos
Finalize the date and the location of the retreat.	Pamela King
Send next year's meeting dates to Council member feedback	Crystal Ritter

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Dr. Shapiro moved to adjourn, with a second from Mr. Hollingsworth. With no objections, the Council adjourned at 11:00AM.

Previous Action Items and Status Updates

New Action Items	Status Update
Send Council members Patient Safety Culture Survey educational session	Complete
Meet with Karen van Caulil in January about SCHIP's role in providing input on E-Plus and other additional areas as needed.	Complete/Ongoing
Provide additional information on the algorithm used by the vendor to establish the APCD bundle amounts.	Ongoing
Finalize the date and the location of the retreat.	Postponed
Send next year's meeting dates to Council member feedback	Complete

Florida Center Updates

- Data Collection
- Data Dissemination
- HIE & Policy Unit
- E-PLUS Presentation on 2024 Utilization

Health Information Exchange Coordinating Committee (HIECC) Update

Patient Safety Culture Survey Update

Break

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OneFlorida+ Presentation





February 11, 2024
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Professor & Chair
Department of Health Outcomes & Biomedical Informatics
College of Medicine



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Using Innovative Approaches
Addressing Real-world Problems



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Collaboration between UF Department of *Health Outcomes and Biomedical Informatics* (HOBi) and UF *Clinical and Translational Science Institute* (CTSI)

HOBi

Coordinates all OneFlorida+ clinical research, artificial intelligence (AI) and informatics activities





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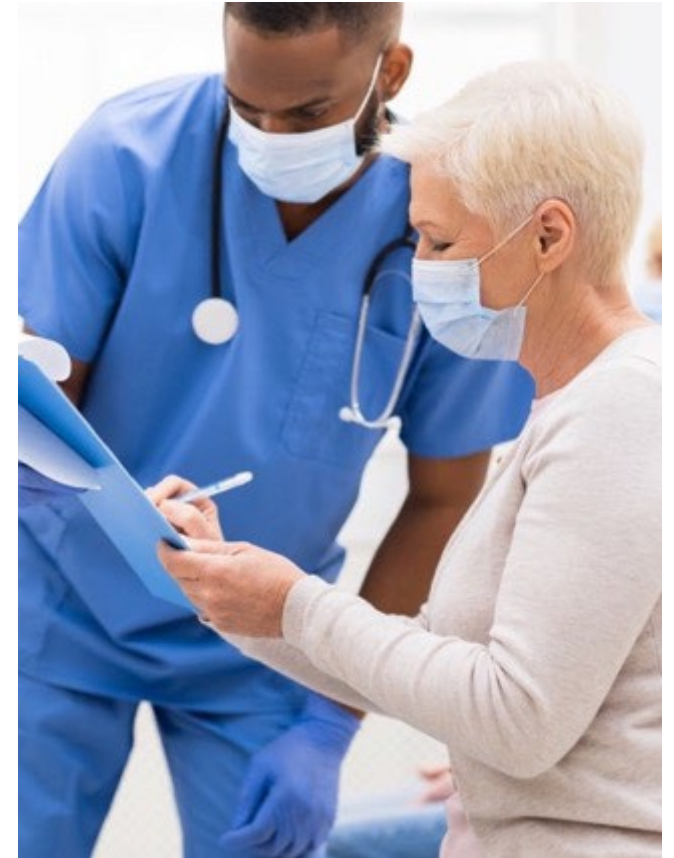
Using Real-world Clinical Practices & Data to Improve Health



Pragmatic Clinical Trials

Integrate clinical trials with real-world routine clinical practice to:

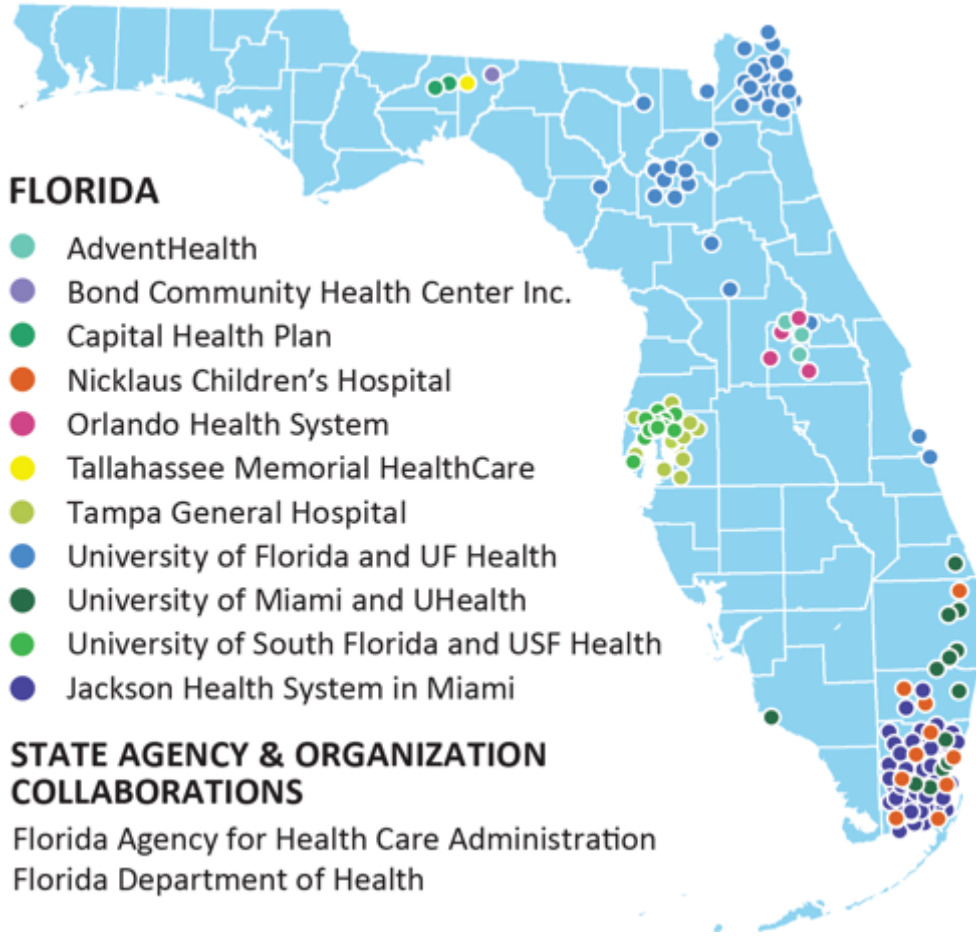
- Reduce patient burden
- Provide evidence representing more of the general population
- Fast-track discoveries into practice





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A Central Data Repository to Facilitate Research



Clinical Data Repository

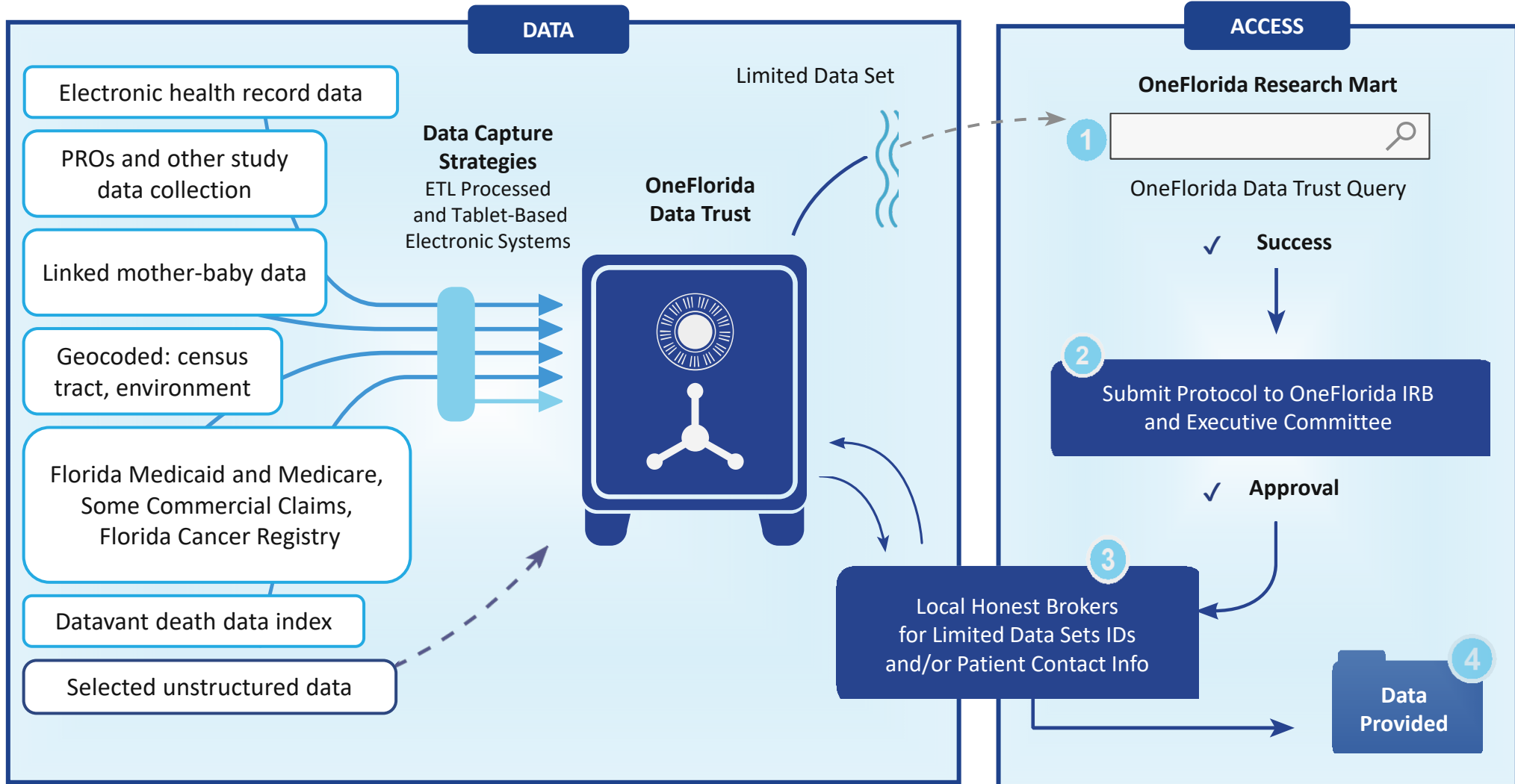
State	<i>Electronic Health Records</i> Clinical Data
Florida	19 Million
Minnesota	2.9 Million
Georgia	2.1 Million
California	1.9 Million
Alabama	1 Million
Arkansas	1 Million
27.9 Million Patients	

- Linked to census tract
- Linked to exposome database
- Health care claims
- Sites with linked tumor registry data
- All patients can be reidentified with IRB approval
- Linked mother-baby data: prenatal, birth, death, early childhood



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Data Trust | A Central Data Repository to Facilitate Research





Collaboration with the HIE

Examining Data for Gaps

Assessment of Patients with Diabetes:

- Some patients with T2D less likely to be identified with algorithms using medication information and/or laboratory values relative to diagnoses
- Potentially the care/medication was not received or care provided through a non-OneFlorida+ partner
- Enhanced linkages will minimize the potential for an incomplete picture of patient care



Study Examples

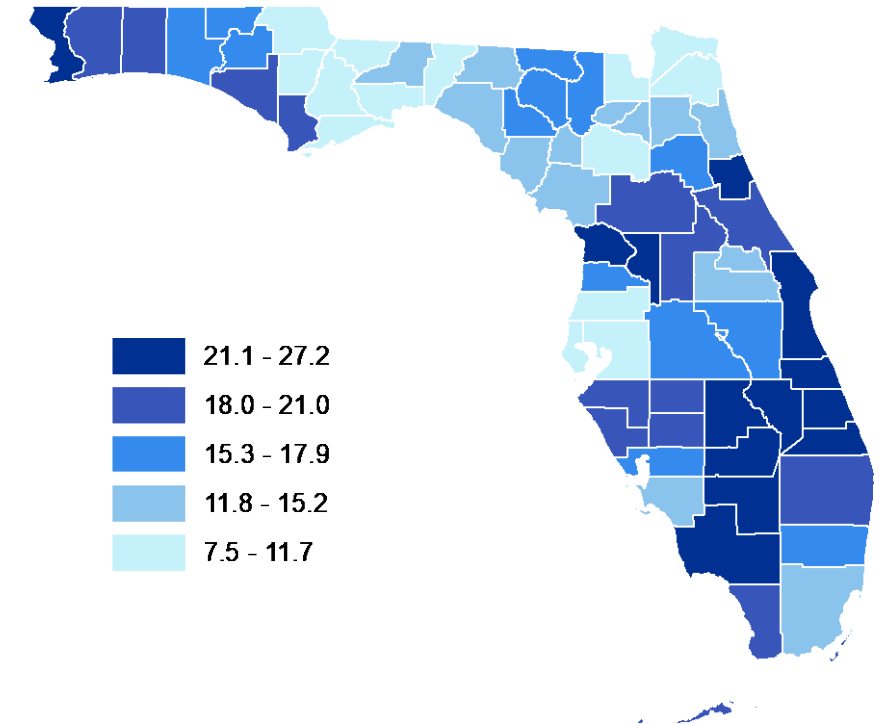
How do we best identify and treat *hypertension?*



Hypertension is a modifiable risk-factor for cardiovascular disease, stroke and death.

- Affects **50%** of adults over 45 in Florida
- Target interventions to people and places with greatest need
- Used Blood Pressure Information from OneFlorida⁺ Data Trust
 - No hypertension diagnosis
 - No identified antihypertensive medications
 - Large segments of potentially undiagnosed hypertension

Percent of Adults with Undiagnosed Hypertension





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GatorTronGPT | The World's Largest Clinical Transformer



~80% of important clinical information is locked in notes (adverse events, symptoms, family history)

All UF Health notes (>600G, 82 Billion words)

GatorTron (2021)

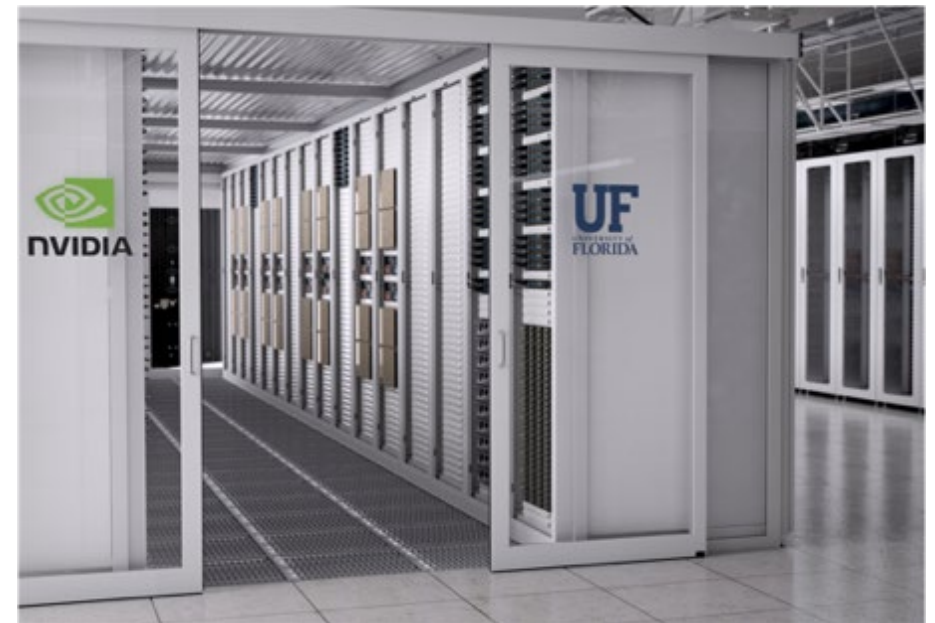
- 9 Million parameters
- Trained using >1000 GPUs

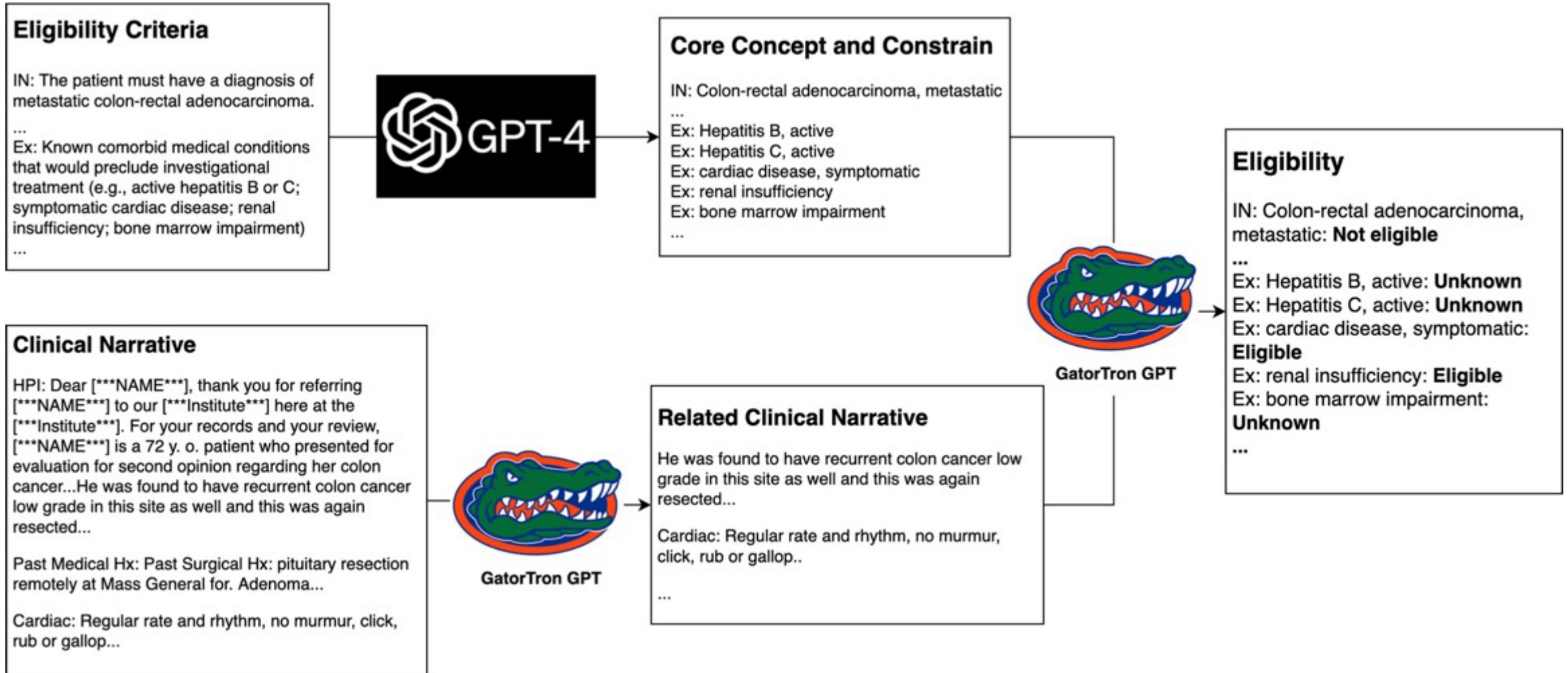
GatorTronGPT (2022-2023)

- Uses GPT-3 (like ChatGPT and GPT-4) model
- 5 Billion parameters and 20 Billion parameters

Yang, X., Chen, A., PourNejatian, N...Flores, M...Shenkman, E...Bian J...Wu, Y et al. A large language model for electronic health records. *npj Nature Digit. Med.* 5, 194 (2022)

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Questions?

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Public Comments



Meeting Summary & Next Steps

Adjournment



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