

Hudson Valley RHIO makes national health database presentation

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The Taconic Health Information Network and Communities Regional Health Information Organization (THINC RHIO), a Fishkill N.Y.-based non-profit, was one of four consortia presenting a national health database prototype at the American Health Information Community conference held recently in Washington.

THINC RHIO is an organization that facilitates communitywide EMR data exchange between community physicians, hospitals, reference laboratories, pharmacies, payers, employees and consumers in the Hudson Valley region of the state of New York. The THINC RHIO organizational structure includes two anchor partners, MedAllies, a health information service provider, and the Taconic IPA, which represents over 3,000 physicians in the Hudson Valley. MedAllies manages all technical aspects of the THINC RHIO, including the day-to-day implementation and operations on behalf of and under the direction of the THINC RHIO. The Taconic IPA provides staff support to the THINC RHIO and coordinates the evaluation and research activities. There are five committees making up the THINC RHIO which include Privacy and Consumer; Security and Technology; Quality and Clinical; Public Health; and Financial Oversight. The THINC RHIO region encompasses eight counties including Dutchess, Ulster, Orange, Putnam, Westchester, Sullivan Rockland and Delaware.

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