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June 2022 CDS Connect Work Group Call



CDS Connect

Agenda

Schedule	Topic
3:00 – 3:02	Roll Call, Michelle Lenox (MITRE)
3:02 – 3:05	Review of the Agenda, Maria Michaels (CDC)
3:05 – 3:25	CDS Connect Past, Present and Future (MITRE and AHRQ)
3:25 – 3:55	Celebrating CDS Connect and CDS (CDC, Health Hats, AHRQ)
3:55 – 4:00	Open Discussion and Close Out, Maria Michaels (CDC) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open discussion and announcements• Concluding comments, review next steps and adjourn

Objectives

- Recap CDS Connect's past, present and future
- Share experiences of how CDS Connect and CDS has evolved since 2016
- Close out the CDS Connect work group

CDS Connect as a Proof-of-Concept

- Generate a systematic and replicable process for transforming patient-centered outcomes research findings into shareable, health IT standards-based and publicly available CDS
- Develop prototype tools to facilitate this transformation process.
- Promote the transformation of research findings into actionable, relevant, and interoperable clinical capabilities

CDS Connect 2016 – 2019 (Past)



- Developed the CDS Repository and website
- Developed prototype Authoring Tool
- Two advisory groups –
Cholesterol Management and CDS Repository
- Developed and published six CDS artifacts around cholesterol management
- Piloted USPSTF CDS statin for ASCVD risk

Enhanced the Repository and website

- Updated artifact data elements to align with CPG-on-FHIR specification
- Improved artifact search to add faceted search and simplify UI
- Added eight CDS artifacts to the Repository (totals 65)
- Implemented review and update process to apply to prior and new artifact contributions
- Updated site content and graphics to include patients, promote WG participation, and further describe artifact update process
- Streamlined CDS Connect account sign up for all stakeholders

CDS Connect 2019 – 2022 (Present): Authoring Tool



Enhanced Authoring tool

- Supported FHIR R4 based CQL exports, upgraded front-end to React 16, added support for CQL 1.4, added support for additional FHIR resource types
- Enhanced usability, applicability, and expressiveness for authors
- Improved maintainability and re-usability of source code for developers
- Implemented code to continuously track GitHub views and downloads of CDS Connect tools

CDS Connect 2019 – 2022 (Present): Work Group and Outreach



Continued engagement of the CDS community and stakeholders

- 130+ member Work Group
- Added and maintained Repository and Authoring Tool accounts
- Email list of approximately 600 community stakeholders
- Update Emails regularly sent to CDS Community
- Convened the Patient Partnering Panel and encouraged “One More Step”
- Promoted CDS Connect and capabilities at conferences and through publications

CDS Connect 2022 & Beyond (Future)



- The Future of CDS Connect – **Evolution and Sustainment**
 - ▶ What will the next iteration of CDS Connect will look like?
 - ▶ How do we keep it going?
- Exploring **Public-Private Partnership (PPP)** as possible option
 - ▶ Access to Industry resources
 - ▶ Greater potential for growth and scaling
 - ▶ Recommended exploration by AHRQ NAC
- CDS Connect **will remain operational** during PPP exploratory efforts
- Stakeholder input will be ***Sought and Critical*** throughout this process
- Stay tuned much more to come

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Ongoing focus for the CDS Connect platform is on innovation and scalability

CELEBRATING CDS CONNECT AND CHANGES IN CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT SINCE 2016

Invited Speakers



- Maria Michaels, CDC—CDS Connect Work Group Moderator
- Danny van Leeuwen, HealthHats—Patient/Caregiver Activist
- Ed Lomotan, AHRQ—CDS Connect Champion within AHRQ
- Welcome input from Work Group members



Maria's Reflections on CDS Connect ... (1/2)



What started as an idea is now a reality, providing two ways to support interoperable, shareable CDS:

- Repository
- Authoring Tool

Even before the regulatory requirement to support FHIR APIs, CDS Connect “baked in” the FHIR standard (e.g., CPG-on-FHIR)

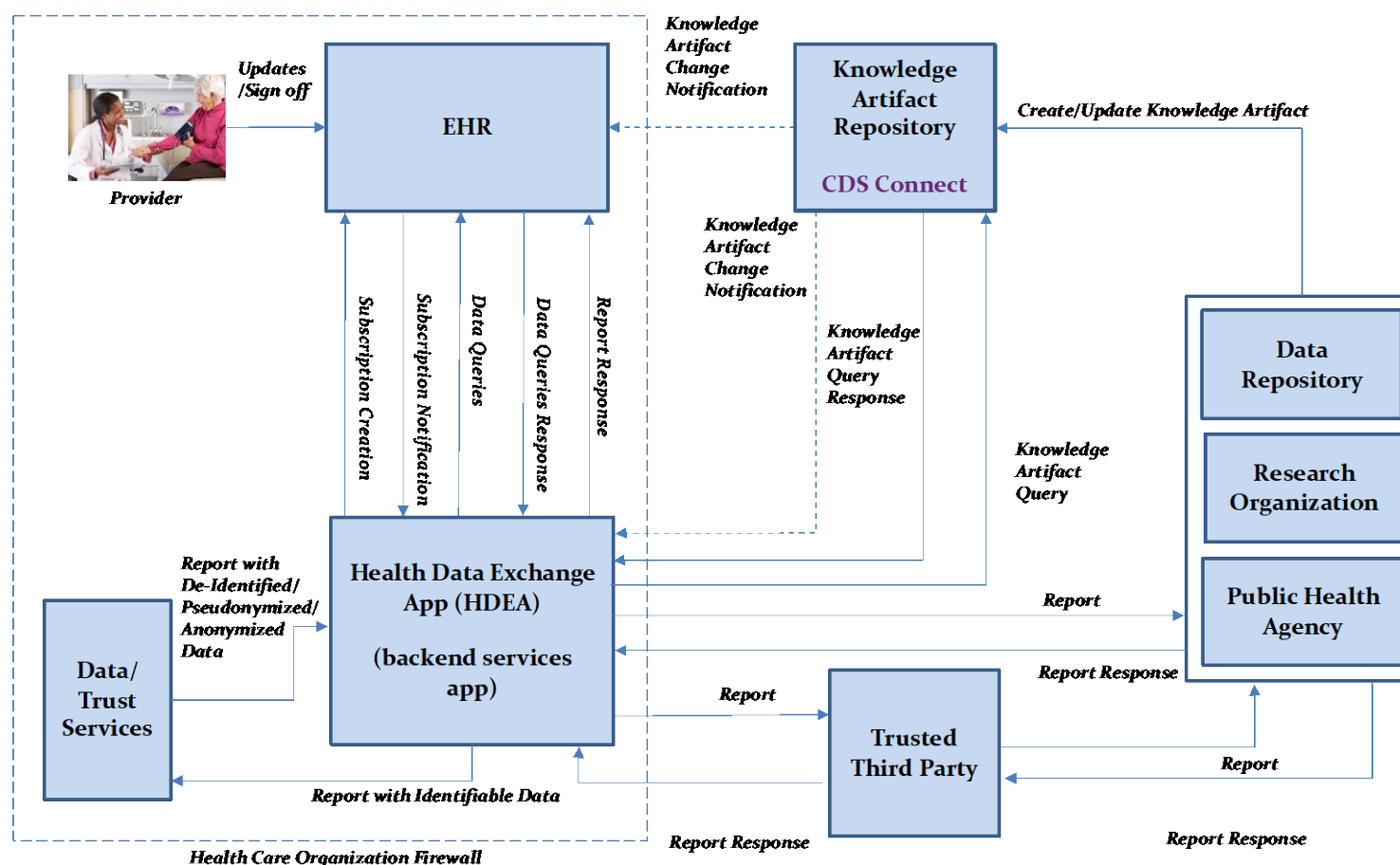
Maria's Reflections on CDS Connect ... (2/2)

Thoughts about the future...

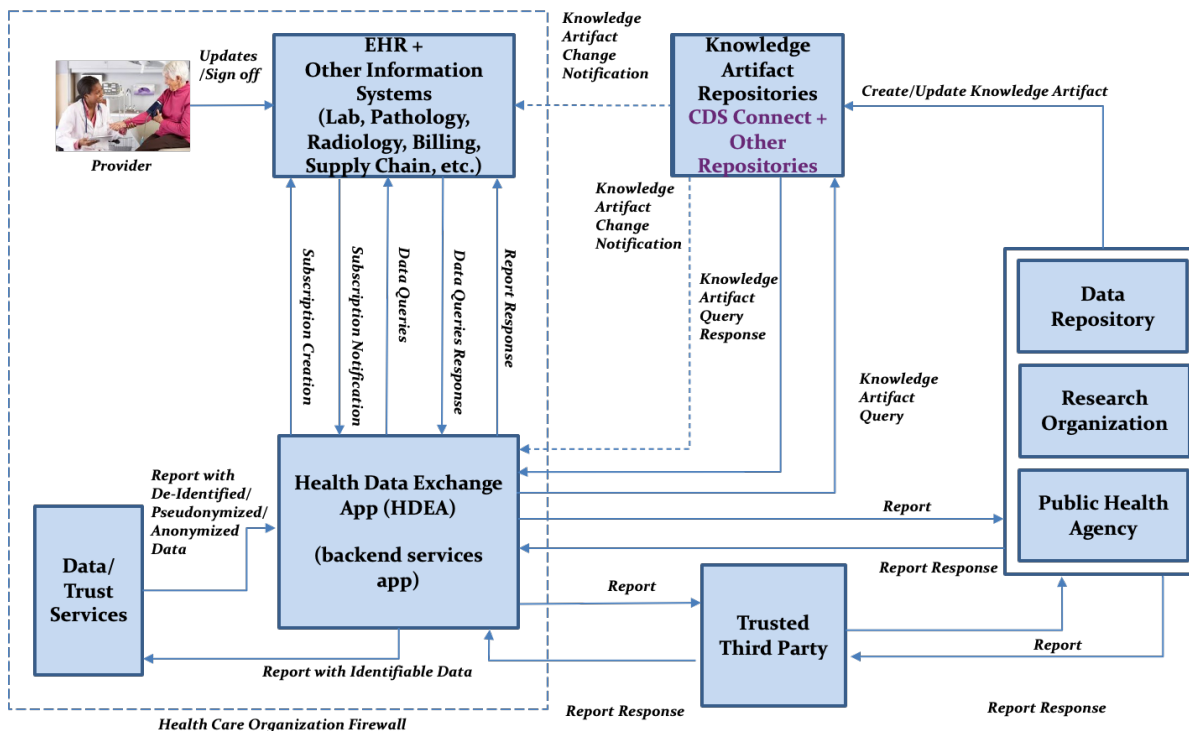
- How can CDS Connect better support living and computable guidelines?
- How can CDS Connect better connect with other guideline derivatives (e.g., eCQMs/dQMs, case reports, eCare Plans)?
- What is the “ideal state” we should strive for?

CDS Connect as Knowledge Artifact Repository

CDS Connect currently fits well as a “Knowledge Artifact Repository” in the MedMorph Reference Architecture.



Strive for Everything Connected Through Standards



Besides EHR, include other systems used by providers

- Lab, Pathology, Radiology, Billing, Supply Chain

CDS Connect currently houses “computable guidelines” and CDS

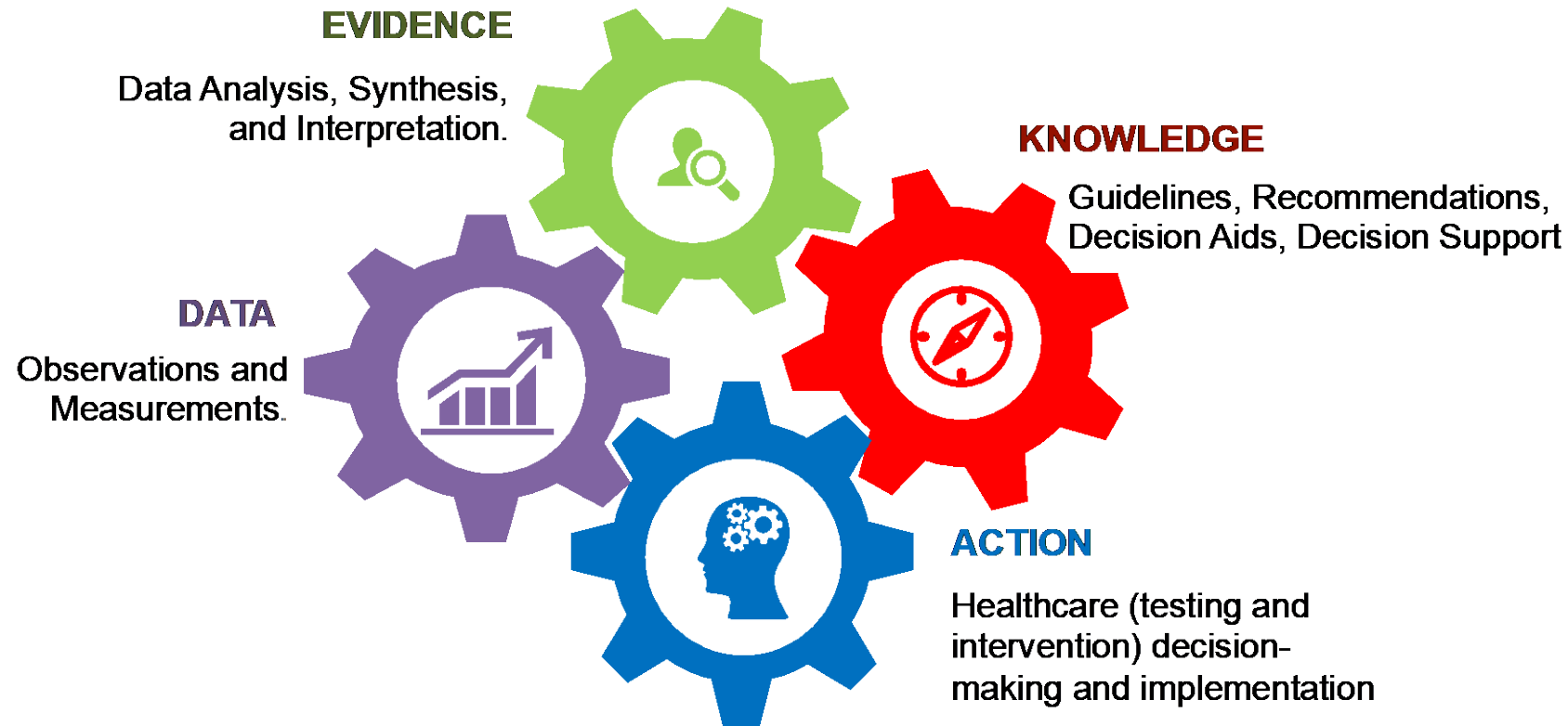
Other repositories would include...

- Quality Measures
- Case Reports
- eCare Plans

Repositories should also link to...

- Written Guidelines
(future of National Guideline Clearinghouse?)
- Systematic Reviews
(like Systematic Review Data Repository Plus (SRDR+))

The Holy Grail: A Virtuous Learning Health System (LHS)



Close Out



- Thank you!
- Stay in touch!

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