

Trustworthy Information Systems in Health Care

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Background

Interdisciplinary research threads

Thread I: Access Control Hygiene

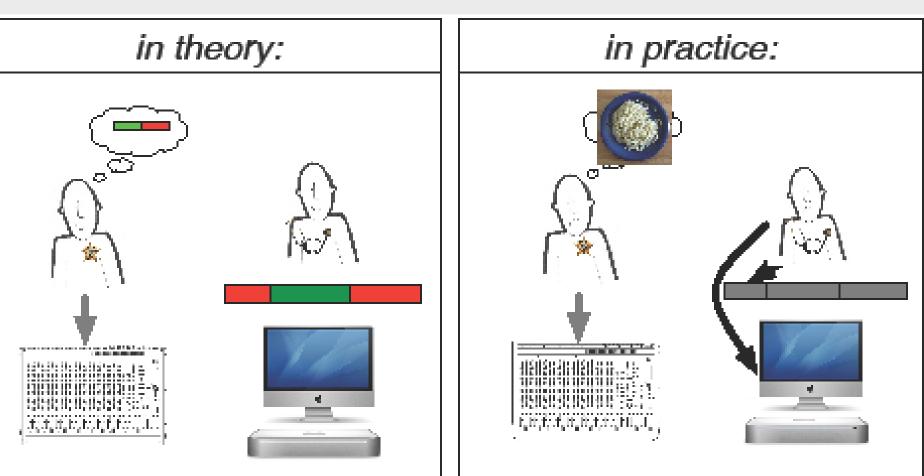
Health information technology (HIT)

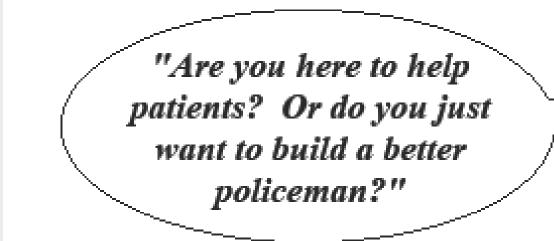
- Potential to improve quality of care
- Potential to improve efficiency and reduce cost
- systems must be trustworthy, i.e.,
- Stakeholders confident system will do what it is designated to do
- -Correctness
- –Reliability
- —Security
- —Privacy

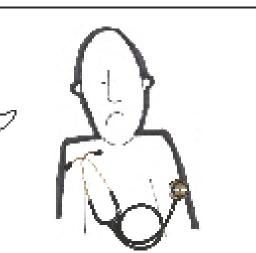
- 1. Access control in clinical settings Led by Sean Smith and Eric Johnson
- 2.Mobile healthcare security and privacy

Led by David Kotz

- 3. Economics and risk models Led by Eric Johnson and Denise Anthony
- 4. Social informatics of IT in health care Led by Denise Anthony







Thread 3: Economics of HIT

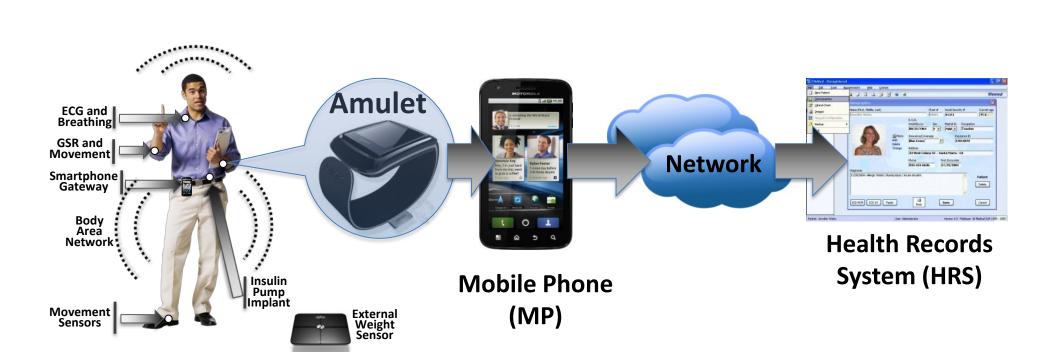
- Access by right people, right information, right time?
- "access control" a largely solved problem?
- but no current technology (for healthcare) has all three key properties: security, economy, usability, that is,
 - it prevents inappropriate access and allows appropriate access,
- it has minimal overhead for managing the system, and
- users (both end users and administrators) can understand how to use and configure access policies

Thread 2: mobile Health

increasing availability of mobile, wearable, and implanted medical sensors

- our focus is on outpatient and "personal wellness" devices
- mobile sensors could help track everyday behaviors,
- providing input into clinical decision making and in research.
- examples include ADL, pulse, ECG, EEG, temperature, blood glucose, blood pressure, scale, GSR, asthma inhaler, accelerometers, location; not to mention IMDs like pacemakers and neural stimulators.

remote patient monitoring



- How collect medical-quality data from wireless sensors, ensuring confidentiality and integrity?
- Develop protocols to protect integrity of sensor data
- Determine sensors are on the correct patient
- ECG experiments
- accelerometer experiments
- Develop usable interfaces for patient awareness and control over the information collected about them, and its distribution to others

- Patient care risk examines the risk to patient care from information security failures.
- Enterprise operational risk examines the risks related to ongoing business continuity and operating efficiency from security failures across the extended enterprise.
- Payer financial risk examines the risk related to misuse of protected health information and fraud.
- Impact of HIT on quality of care

Proactive vs. Reactive Security Investment in the Healthcare Sector

Basic Hypothesis

Proactive investments require more analysis/learning leading to better effectiveness.

• 281 healthcare breaches from HHS, ITRC, and Data Loss. Security investments from HIMSS.

Cox Proportional Hazard Model

 Time to breach H2(−)

 Proactive investments are more effective at reducing security failures than reactive investment

Thread 4: Social informatics in health care

Perceptions of privacy/security of protected health info (PHI) across healthcare delivery stakeholder groups

- What are perceptions of privacy in health care? How vary among/across stakeholders?
- How do stakeholder groups understand uses of PHI? In EMRs?
- Who is responsible for privacy/security of PHI?

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EMRs in US Hospitals over time EHR level_0

EMRs and Quality of Care

Overall, implementation of HIT systems, such as Electronic Medical Administration Record systems, surgical IT systems, or EMR systems capable of meeting federal "meaningful use" objectives, produce improved outcomes and quality of care

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