



# Electronic Medical Records

One Record, Better Care





## What is an Electronic Medical Record?

An electronic medical record (EMR) is a digital version of a paper chart that contains your medical history. Your medical information is used by your healthcare provider to improve your care. The Territorial EMR will allow authorized healthcare providers the ability to quickly and securely access your health information, no matter where in the NWT care is delivered.

This includes things like:

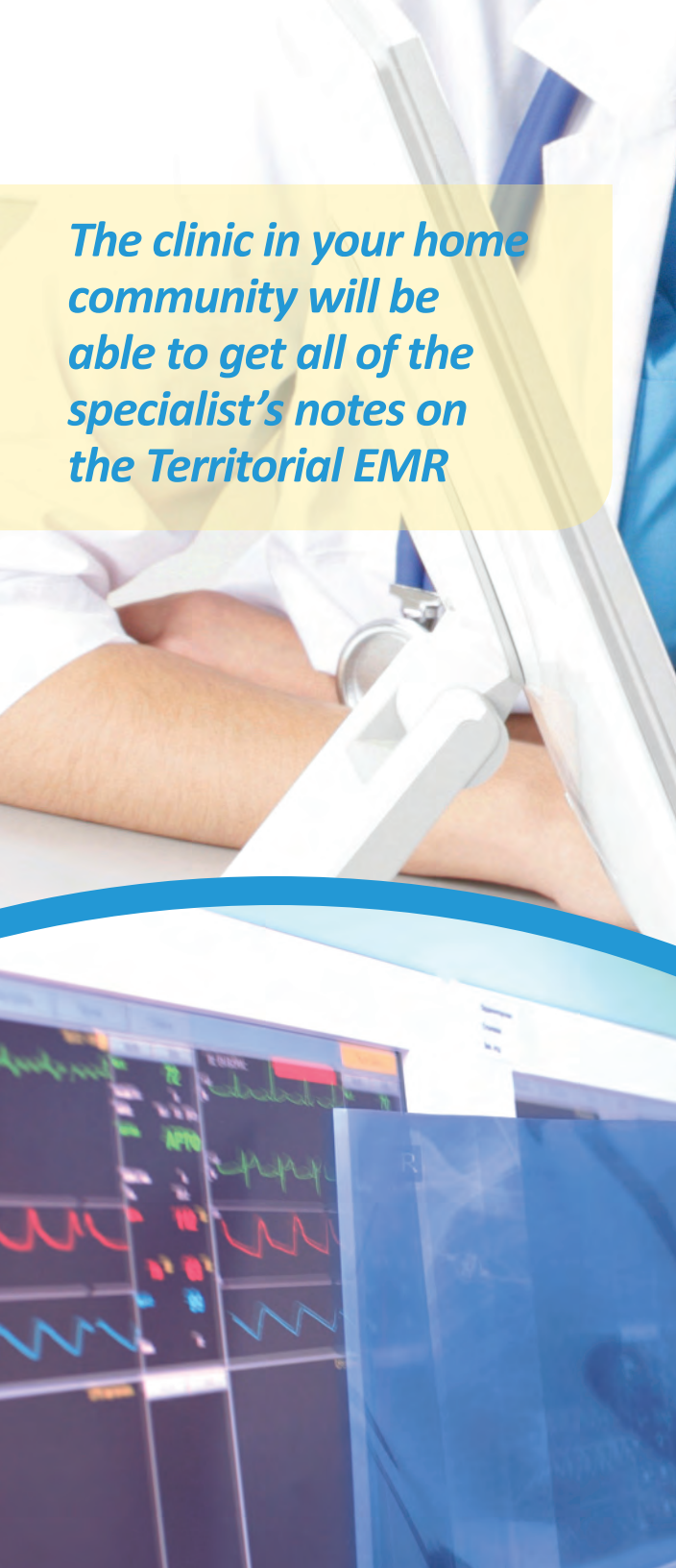
- Blood test results
- Letters from specialists
- Diagnostic Images (X-rays)
- Prescribed medications



***EMR allows authorized healthcare providers to quickly and securely access a patient's health information***

Your healthcare provider may now use a computer to view your health information, rather than opening a paper folder. Healthcare providers in your community will also be able to write notes in your electronic file, rather than using a paper and pen.





*The clinic in your home community will be able to get all of the specialist's notes on the Territorial EMR*



## **What are the Benefits of an EMR?**

Using a computer will help your healthcare provider find information more quickly. If you have a long-term illness like diabetes or cancer, the Territorial EMR can show how you have been doing in the last few months or years. It can also be helpful if you are seeing more than one healthcare provider. For example, if you need to go to Yellowknife to see a specialist, the clinic in your home community will be able to get all of the specialist's notes on the Territorial EMR.

Your healthcare provider can show you what your information looks like in the Territorial EMR. You can talk to any of the healthcare providers at our clinic if you have questions.





## Protecting your Privacy in the EMR

Strong policies and controls ensure that only authorized healthcare providers can access your medical record. Your medical information is kept private and confidential. Some healthcare providers will only be able to see general information in your health record (for example: address, healthcare card number, date of birth etc.). Other providers, like doctors, and some nurses will be able to see your full medical record.

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## Keeping your health information secure

Healthcare providers in the NWT are trained in healthcare privacy to ensure they understand their responsibilities to protect your health information.

As in the past, we will continue to...

- make sure all of the information in your record is true.
- keep your record private.
- only collect the information we need to care for you.
- help you see your record and request copies of it.
- share your medical information with other healthcare providers involved with your care.
- comply with professional ethics, legislation, and policies.





## Questions or concerns? We can help!

If you have questions about the way we keep records, talk to your healthcare provider. For additional information, please visit our website. **[www.hss.gov.nt.ca](http://www.hss.gov.nt.ca)**



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Cree

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Chipewyan

If you would like this information in another official language, call us.

English

Si vous voulez ces renseignements en français, contactez-nous.

Français

Jii gwandak izhii ginjik vat'atr'ijahch'uu zhìt yinothtan jì', diits'at ginohknìi.

Gwich'in

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## North Slavey

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## South Slavey

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