

9Health Fair Lab Test Results Available Through Health Information Exchange

9Health Fair encourages its participants to discuss their blood test results with their health care provider. Previously this meant that participants had to wait for their test results, make an appointment, and bring in a paper copy.

9Health Fair has partnered with CORHIO, the Colorado Regional Health Information Organization, to help health care providers get secure, electronic access to their patients' test results. Providers who are connected to the CORHIO health information exchange can access and download the lab results through a secure online portal.

ABOUT CORHIO

CORHIO is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving health care quality for all Coloradans through cost-effective and secure implementation of HIE. CORHIO is designated by the State of Colorado to facilitate HIE.

There are currently 48 hospitals, more than 2,400 office-based providers, 5 large regional/national laboratories, 126 long-term and post-acute care facilities, and 27 behavioral health centers already connected or in process to connect. CORHIO also facilitates transmission of state health department data to and from providers. It's anticipated that by 2015, 85% of all Colorado providers will be connected to the CORHIO HIE network.

BACKGROUND ON HIE

Health information exchange, or HIE for short, is technology that supports the flow of electronic health information between providers for clinical patient care. HIE helps providers get the information they need about patients, such as lab results and x-ray information, to offer safe, efficient, and patient-centered care. It essentially replaces slow and inefficient paper-based methods for sharing information between providers' offices and hospitals, and also cuts down on the number of phone calls due to missing information.

HOW TO GET CONNECTED:

If you are interested in learning more about CORHIO and how to get connected to HIE, visit:

www.corhio.org or call (720) 285-3200

