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An Update

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What we are

- HIE: an utility that moves clinical information, one patient at a time, across institutional boundaries so that a fully informed medical decision may be made
- SAHIE: community-based HIE that seeks to do this in Southern Arizona as a self-sustaining business operation.



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The Story so far...

- Phase-wise build
- Phase 1: (completed)
 - Community-determined requirements
 - Economic analysis of functions
 - Comprehensive 10-year Business Plan as an evolving document of direction
- Phase 2: (ongoing, begun last March)
 - Governance structure
 - Technology choice
 - Vendor selection
 - Refining the implementation plan





Activities since last year

- Four tracks
 - Governance
 - Adoption
 - Financial Modeling
 - Vendor selection
- Vendor selection:
 - RFC in Aug 2007
 - 16 submissions



Where we are now

- Short listing and follow up
 - Review team
 - Review Process
- Site visits:
 - How do the others do it?
 - Sharing of experiences





An Epiphany (or two)

- Control Mechanisms
 - Specific corporate form may not be as important as
 - Equitable control and oversight
 - Supple decision structure
- Business Model
 - Working from one is more important than working towards one!





In sum

- All four tracks integrate into a single need
- The need:
 - Self-sufficient organization rooted in the community's needs.
 - Community = healthcare community + consumers of healthcare + business community

Next steps:

- Bring together the
 - organizational design
 - vendor selection
 - business model
 - physical and financial plan for implementation
- Raise the resources
- Go for implementation

