

BOSSnet enabling increased participation in My Health Record across Victoria

Monday 20 June, 2016

Core Medical Solutions' (CMS) Electronic Medical Record BOSSnet is enabling increased participation in My Health Record (MyHR) in Victoria with several sites actively contributing and more than ten others set to follow in the coming months.

Barwon Health is already contributing discharge summaries and medications to MyHR through BOSSnet whilst Ballarat Health Services and a further four sites of another soon-to-be-announced Victorian regional health service are being primed to begin submitting discharge summaries directly to MyHR.

Dr Rohan Ward, Managing Director of CMS, said even more BOSSnet sites are in advanced stages of preparedness to also contribute to MyHR, bringing the number of sites involved to more than ten.

"BOSSnet's unique architecture furthers the aims of MyHR by making it easier for clinicians to access patient information," stated Dr.Ward.

"CMS has been able to provide an integrated view of the MyHR within the local BOSSnet Medical record. Ballarat Health Services and other BOSSnet sites will use BOSSnet EMR to deliver discharge summaries directly into the MyHR System," added Dr Ward.

"This integrated approach is unique. Other implementations display the MyHR independently to the local medical record, whereas BOSSnet offers an integrated view – a single, comprehensive patient record", added Dr Ward.

"We believe that the integrated approach represents an intuitive and easy-to-use format that has encouraged greater interaction by clinicians of the MyHR"

CMS first developed this integrated view for Barwon Health when they were selected as part of NEHTA's original Wave 1 and Wave 2 projects a number of years ago that aimed to drive more content into the MyHR. In the current opt-in model at Barwon, approximately 10% of all BOSSnet discharge summaries are currently being transmitted.

The Ballarat Health Services site will be a primary trial site for the opt-in model of patient registration following an announcement in April by Federal Health Minister Sussan Ley of a \$300,000 funding package to enable a 6 month opt-in trial of the national MyHR. Western Victoria Primary Health Network was funded to run the *opt-in* trial and selected Ballarat Health Services to participate.

The Ballarat Health Services trial will run in parallel with another *opt-in* trial in Western Australia. There are also two *opt-out* trials underway in Northern Queensland and the NSW Blue Mountains.

"To date, the *opt-in* model has been a significant barrier to the overall subscription rate of the MyHR" said Dr Ward.

"However Ballarat Health Services has worked really hard to develop a strategy to gain subscriptions for their *opt-in* trial, so it will be interesting to see the comparative results of the *opt-in* and *opt-out* trials around Australia" said Dr Ward.

ENDS

Media contacts:

Narelle Portakiewicz MBA, B.HIM

National Director of Business Development

Core Medical Solutions

Telephone: +61 (0) 8 8332 9600

narelle.portakiewicz@coremedicalsolutions.com

Grant Law

Grant Law Public Relations

0488 518 414

grant@grantlaw.com.au