

Country HIT



Issues Facing Healthcare CIO's A Rural Perspective

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Topics of Discussion

- Urban versus Rural Healthcare
- Role of the CIO
- Regulations
- Technology
- Consumers
- Talent
- Financial
- Competition

Urban versus Rural Healthcare

- Demographics
- Payers
- Service Offerings
- Technical/Communications
- Accessibility
- Staffing



"Our hospital has the very best technology. I'll be using GPS to locate your appendix."

Role of the CIO

- Past Expectations
 - Technology guru
 - Back office support
- Current/Future Expectations
 - Technology management
 - Business acumen
 - Analytics driver
 - Leading governance



"We can't replace your old computer. That would be age discrimination."



Regulations

- HIPAA
 - Privacy, Security, Business Associates
- ARRA/HITECH
 - Meaningful Use/Promoting Interoperability
 - Health Information Exchange/Interoperability
 - EMR Systems
- ACA
- ICD10/11
- Opioid Situation
- MACRA (MIPS, APM), QPP, Quality Measurement
- Population Health/Telemedicine



Technology

- Cloud
- Infrastructure
- Buildings
- Wireless
- Mobile/BYOD
- Telemedicine
- Storage

- Vendors
- Broadband/Cell availability
- Security
- IoT



Consumers/Consumerism

- Patient Involvement
- Demographics
- Rural versus Urban
- Family/Community
- Social Media



"Frankly, I don't enjoy prostate exams any more than you do!"



Talent

- IT
- Support Model
- Specialization
 - versus Generalist
- Clinical
- Recruiting

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"I want a computer that does what I want it to do, not what I tell it to do!"



Financial

- Payer Mix
- Demographics
- Operating Margins
- Cooperative Models
- Analytics
- Healthcare Reform
 - Value based care

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"Due to the weak economy, we have to cut costs.

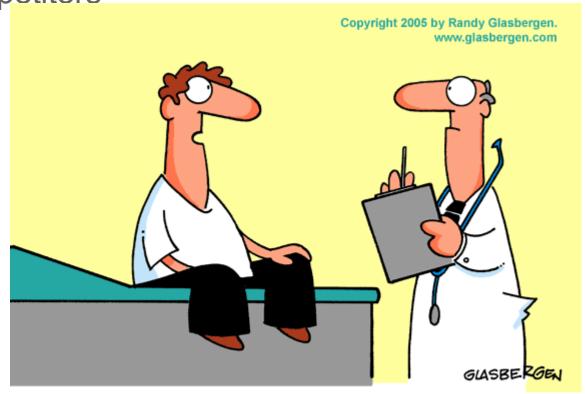
For starters, no more hiring a gourmet
chef to cook the books."



Competition

Traditional Competitors

- Payers
- Co-opetition
- Collaborative
- Non traditional



"I already diagnosed myself on the Internet. I'm only here for a second opinion."



What Does the Future Hold

- Hospital Partnerships/Collaboratives
- Consolidation
- Affiliations



Thank you

Questions and Discussion

