The Tri-Regulator Collaborative Position Statement on Electronic Health Records

As the leading organizations representing the licensing boards of the United States that regulate the practice of medicine, pharmacy, and nursing, the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP), and National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) express our support for improving interoperability and uniformity in the use of electronic health records (EHRs).

The seamless transfer of EHRs is essential to the delivery of high-quality health care and patient safety. The present system that is comprised of multiple systems with little or no interoperability presents serious concerns for practitioners, patients, and regulators.

The Tri-Regulator Collaborative is urging that steps be taken by all stakeholders to bring uniformity and interoperability to EHRs across all practice settings. The Tri-Regulator will explore the issue further and present recommendations on what changes may be needed from the regulatory perspective to improve and standardize key components of the present system.

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