

Q Where can I get more information about eHealth in New York?

A There are two websites for more information:

www.ehealth4ny.org

A web site developed for the public by the Legal Action Center
www.health.state.ny.us/technology.

The New York State Department of Health's Office of Health Information Technology Transformation
www.nyhealth.org
The New York eHealth Collaborative. Or call: 877-690-2211



ABOUT YOUR PRIVACY

- New York State is requiring eHealth networks to follow rules to protect your privacy and security.
- Federal and State laws also protect you.
- Only the doctors, nurses, and their staff who are involved in your health care are allowed to access your health records and only if you sign a consent form. Others, such as employers and immigration agencies, won't have access.
- You can request a list of everyone who has accessed your records using eHealth.



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A guide to eHealth for New Yorkers

Q What is eHealth in New York?

A eHealth uses a computer to store and manage your medical records. You can make information about your health available to doctors and other care providers you choose.



Q Do I have a choice about eHealth?

A Yes. You have the right to say "YES" or "NO." Doctors and others involved in your care may see and share your health information only if you say they can by signing a form that gives your consent.

Q Can I get access to my own medical records?

A Yes. By law you have the right to get a copy of your medical records from the healthcare organizations that made them.



Q What can eHealth do for me?

A Your doctors can get a complete picture of your health. This helps them to make good decisions about your care.

- Save your life in a medical emergency.
- You can skip wasteful and sometimes risky duplicate medical tests.
- You won't always have to fill out the same forms every time you visit a doctor, clinic, or a hospital.
- You can better manage health records for yourself and your family.