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Louisiana Health Information Exchange Launches Patient Portal

BATON ROUGE, LA – (March 9, 2015) – The Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum has announced the launch of the Louisiana Health Information Exchange (LaHIE) Patient Portal.

The LaHIE Patient Portal is a secure, online website that provides patients with 24-hour access to their personal health information. In order to access the portal, their health care provider must be actively participating in LaHIE and subscribed to the service. LaHIE is the state’s electronic health system that allows authorized doctors to view and share patient data through a secure platform.

Patients must register with their doctors to gain access to the portal. Once registered, they will be able to review their personal health information using a secure username and password. Only information stored by participating LaHIE providers will be available through the portal.

Cindy Munn, Quality Forum CEO, says, “The LaHIE Patient Portal presents a unique opportunity for patients to become proactive in monitoring and managing their health. We hope the portal encourages patients to make their personal health a priority by knowing their numbers and making the necessary changes toward healthier living.”

Brian Richmond, Chief Technology Officer for the Quality Forum, says, “The launch of the portal is the culmination of years of hard work by our team stemming from a commitment to improving health care through the use of advanced technology. We are confident that patients will view the implementation of this service as an asset to their health care experience.”

For more information about the LaHIE Patient Portal, click here.

About the Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum
The Louisiana Health Care Quality Forum is a private, not-for-profit organization, dedicated to advancing evidence-based, collaborative initiatives to improve the health of Louisiana residents. Its focus areas include quality measurement and analytics, clinical quality improvement, the patient-centered medical home/care coordination model, outreach/education and health information technology (IT). With regard to health IT, the Forum supports health care providers and critical access/rural hospitals as they adopt and meaningfully use...
electronic health records and serves as the State-Designated Entity to lead the planning and implementation of the state's health information exchange. For more information, visit www.lhcqf.org.

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