

Community Health Choice Partners with Regional Health Information Exchange

Community Health Choice (CHC) has demonstrated their support of health information technology infrastructure by paying \$100,000 to Healthconnect for the development and implementation of a robust network of healthcare and information networks in the Greater Houston region.

Community Health Choice (CHC) is a non-profit HMO with a network of more than 5,000 doctors and 50 hospitals. CHC's collaboration with Healthconnect will allow their 220,000 members better services that can help to support transitional care and facilitate better outcomes. Both organizations look forward to the opportunities this partnership will create.

Ken Janda, President and CEO of CHC, elaborates on the benefits of this partnership, "CHC believes that Healthconnect will enable our providers to more consistently, accurately and efficiently communicate with each other and to better coordinate the care of our Members. As a managed care organization, we can be of most help to our Members when we are alerted early to changes in their health status. Currently that information comes to us solely through claims data that can lag weeks or months. The sooner we are aware of a Member who might appropriately be enrolled in one of our disease management programs, the sooner we may be able to assist that Member in better self-management and care outcomes."