



# WYFI Newsletter

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Gain instant access to the Community Health Record (CHR) Portal with WYFI. If your practice is interested in getting instant access to important patient data through the WYFI statewide HIE, please contact Andrea Bailey [andrea.bailey@wyo.gov](mailto:andrea.bailey@wyo.gov). Instant WYFI access training for your practice can be done remotely in less than an hour.

We are here to help!

Live Patient Encounters

7,113,308

Covered Lives

647,727

CHR Users

5,447

## WYFI NEWS (eHealth Exchange)



The WYFI team and our Health Catalyst partners are in the process of connecting to the e-Health Exchange. We are currently in the Testing Phase and as progress is made for the live connection WYFI will update participants in a subsequent newsletter.

The exchange is the largest healthcare information network in the country. It connects federal agencies and non-federal healthcare organizations so medical data can be exchanged nationwide to improve patient care and public health. The network connects healthcare providers to five (5) federal agencies consisting of the following:

- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
- Social Security Administration (SSA)
- The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Department of Defense (DOD)
- Indian Health Services (IHS)

The network also exchanges patient data with regional and/or State HIEs, U.S. Hospitals, Medical Groups and Dialysis Centers. If you would like to know more about the Exchange, please see the link below:

[eHealth Exchange](#)

## WYFI Fees Waived



WYFI Rules Chapter 1, Section 10(i) authorizes a waiver of participation fees during an emergency. Due to the current federal Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 the Department of Health, Division of Healthcare Financing requested a waiver of the fees for all users pursuant to this Rule. The WYFI is funded under the COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant which has been extended until *May 31st, 2024*. The grant covers nearly 100% of the WYFI's program expenses with enhanced Medicaid funding making up the remainder, so there is no need to assess participation fees at this time to fund the WYFI operations.

The Director of the Wyoming Department of Health, Stefan Johansson, has provided his approval that WYFI waive the users' fees through July 1, 2024.

## WYFI OUTREACH!



The WYFI team is in the process of doing some outreach to providers for the Community Health Record (CHR) access or for data contribution. If you are interested in accessing or being a data contributor to the Health Information Technology (HIE) system, please reach out to Andrea Bailey ([andrea.bailey@wyo.gov](mailto:andrea.bailey@wyo.gov)) or Debbie Paiz ([debbie.paiz@wyo.gov](mailto:debbie.paiz@wyo.gov)).

We have provided outreach to the following groups:

- Nursing Homes
- Home Health Agencies

We are also in the process of working on outreach to the Emergency Management Services (EMS) providers. If you are in one of these groups please reach out so that we can get you started on being a data contributor or training for access to patient information through the Community Health Record (CHR).

## Rural Health Conference



## Power of Rural Healthcare Conference

April 17-19

- Address rural health challenges through innovative research
- Share information on Wyoming's rural healthcare landscape
- Interact with healthcare professionals around the state
- Learn about topics impacting Wyoming

UW Conference Center, Laramie/hybrid options available.

If interested, please contact Sharon Weber, Office of Rural Health manager at [sharon.weber@wyo.gov](mailto:sharon.weber@wyo.gov).

## WYFI Training Links

Training Links - To better serve the needs of users here are some training links.

### WYFI

WYFI Overview - <https://youtu.be/cRGR-SokhzM>

### Direct Secure Messaging

Direct Secure Messaging Training - [https://youtu.be/tmGT\\_dFnhU](https://youtu.be/tmGT_dFnhU)

Direct Secure Messaging Overview - <https://youtu.be/1ple-4rc9GQ>

### Notify

Notify Training - <https://youtu.be/JhvAVSVNMVU>

Notify Overview - [https://youtu.be/S7F\\_vO2qZ90](https://youtu.be/S7F_vO2qZ90)

### Community Health Record (CHR)

Community Health Record Admin User Training - <https://youtu.be/8BuiHd6ELz0>

Community Health Record User Training - <https://youtu.be/R4HVfg0Akmo>

Community Health Record Accessing Additional Records - <https://youtu.be/3k8BEinZUtl>

CHR Overview - <https://youtu.be/rQAGZrOaEv4>

Referrals Management Training - <https://youtu.be/vjBpcaxzNWs>

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# Why WYFI?



## Patient Tracking

Get real-time alerts of your patients' admissions, discharges, and transfers



## External Orders and Data

Access transcriptions, labs, procedures, and radiology scans done outside your practice



## Referrals

Send and receive referrals to support continuity of care for your patients



## Community Health Record

View a longitudinal health record for your patients



## Direct Messaging

Send secure messages between providers to exchange clinical data

## Get Connected!

### Regional and National Connections

WYFI is connected with the Colorado Regional Health Information Organization (CORHIO) now Contexture, South Dakota Health Link (SDHL), Utah Health Information Network (UHIN), and the Social Security Administration (SSA).

#### For More Information:

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#### Wyoming Frontier Information (WYFI)

To Promote a healthier Wyoming by developing a statewide secure, connected, and coordinated health IT system that supports effective and efficient healthcare.

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