## Tool 17. Personal Health Record

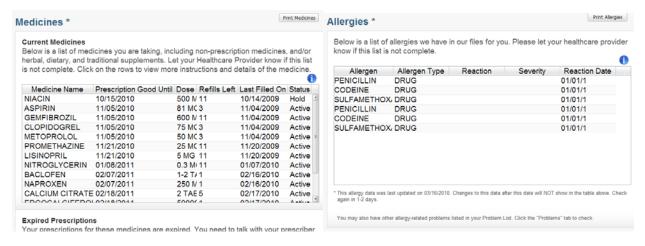
A personal health record, or PHR, is an electronic application through which patients can maintain and manage their health information (and that of others for whom they are authorized) in a private, secure, and confidential environment.

The IHS Personal Health Record (PHR) prototype project is an initiative intended to improve the overall health of patients. It provides an eHealth portal, a secure environment where patients can view and manage their Personal Health Record online, as well as access health information, health assessments, and electronic services online. Online health resources will enable and encourage patient/provider collaboration, as clinicians will be able to communicate with patients much more easily. The new online environment will complement existing clinical business practices, and also be transformational in the way health care is delivered and managed.

The current version of the PHR provides the patient with access to selected data sets from their medical record including recent labs, medications, allergies, and problem list. Screenshots of each view are shown below.

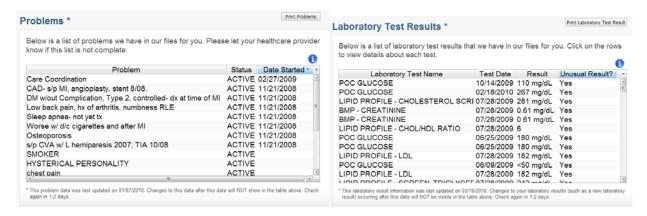


PHR Landing Page



Medication Profile

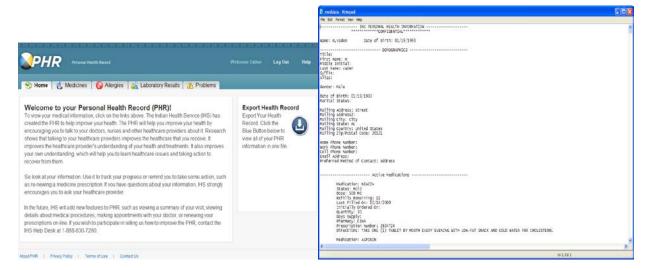
Allergy Listing



Problem List

Laboratory Tests

The PHR enables patients to download and transport their health information utilizing the "Blue Button." The blue button creates a text document containing all of the information from the patient's PHR. This document can be saved electronically (as a text file), printed, or imported into another PHR or data aggregation tool such as Microsoft HealthVault.



The InfoButton functionality contained in the Electronic Health Record is present in the PHR as well, providing convenient access to patient education handouts from the National Library of Medicine for medications, problems, and lab tests.

