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Whereas, the increasing complexity of the electronic medical record (EMR) systems requires a purposeful strategic approach to ensure that these technologies are employed in improving patient outcomes and advancing clinical practice

Whereas, a major benefit of EMR interoperability is the ability to manage and maintain accurate patient medication records across different institutions, which can improve care coordination and clinical outcomes

Whereas, in order to achieve optimal medication management across different institutions and practice settings, EMR systems need to follow a set of inter-operability standards, which encompass e-prescribing, messaging, and health information exchange

Whereas, studies demonstrate that a lack of EMR interoperability, which prevents meaningful use of health information, is a result of a lack of clearly specified standards.

Resolved that,

NYSCHP supports the development of clear, concrete, and enforceable standards to support EMR interoperability with the goal of improving the meaningful use of electronic health data.

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