IIS-EHR Partnerships: Providing and Displaying Immunizations and Clinical Decision Support in EHRs

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Objective

Demonstrate how EHRs query IIS

Identify functionality that EHRs have in common

 Motivate the IIS and healthcare provider communities to document best practices for EHR to IIS integration

Outline

 Background on Immunization Information Systems (IIS) and Electronic Health Record (EHR) integration

 Demonstrate existing bi-directional immunization information exchange between EHRs and IIS

Vision for EHR integration with IIS

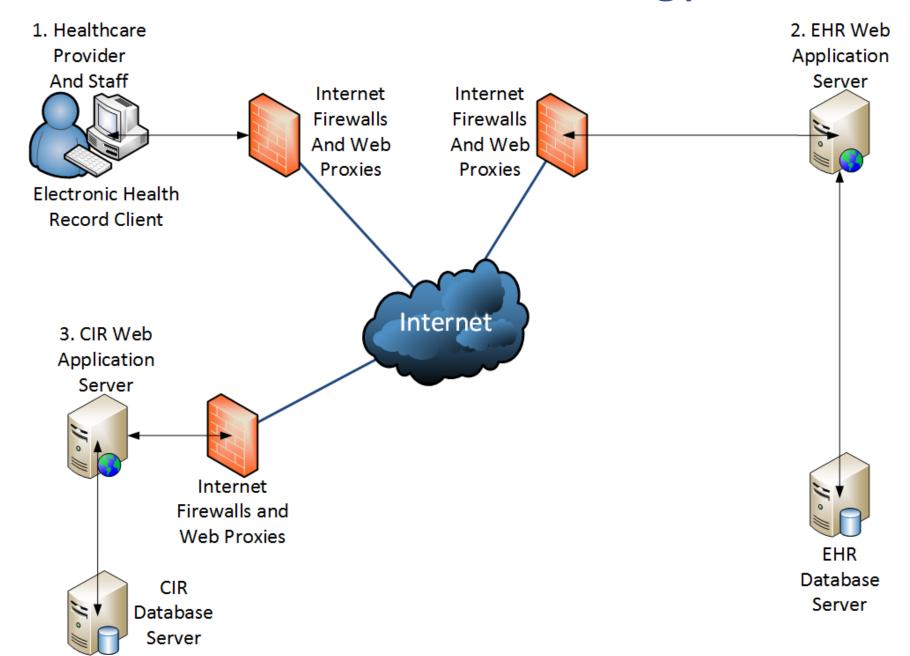
Background 1

- Immunization Information Systems (IIS) receive, consolidate, and disseminate electronic immunization records in their communities
- Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems are replacing paper records in provider offices and hospitals
- MU Stages 1 and 2 provide payment incentives to implement standard electronic reporting from EHRs to IIS
- MU Stage 3 will provide incentives to implement standard EHR to IIS queries and clinical decision support

Background 2

- Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR) is the IIS for the Bureau of Immunization (BOI) at New York City's Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)
 - Supports Health Level 7 (HL7) 2.3.1 and 2.5.1 reporting (VXU) and query (VXQ, QBP) messages
 - Implements Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Transport Layer Workgroup Web Service interface
 - Provides real-time immunization report, query, and decision support services
- CIR uses the Immunization Calculation Engine (ICE) for clinical decision support

EHR to IIS Bi-directional Technology Architecture



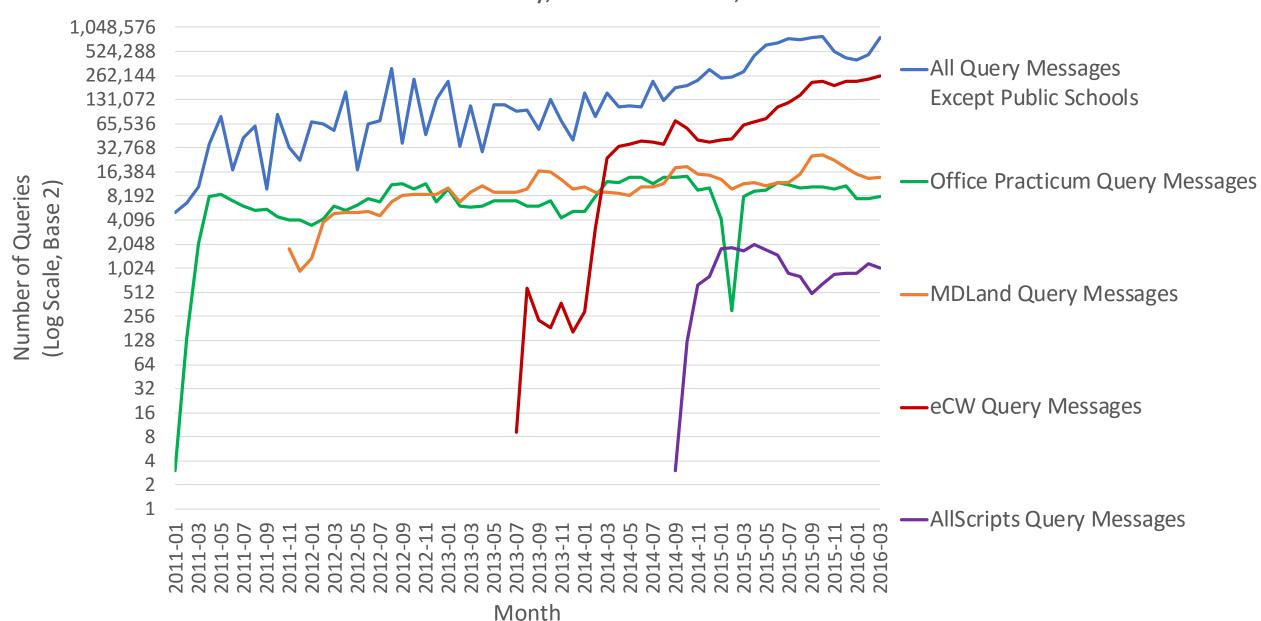
Method

- Reached out to EHRs and healthcare facilities for a demonstration of their integration with NYC's real-time Web Service
- Notified EHR vendors that screen shots from the demonstration will be presented
- Created test records with immunizations in CIR, to observe EHR behavior
- Took screen shots of the EHRs for review and discussion
- Participants are iClinic from MDLand, eClinicalWorks (eCW), Sunrise Clinical Manager by AllScripts, and Office Practicum by Connexin Software

Status of bi-directional EHR Integration With CIR

- 43 EHRs have integrated with CIR's real-time HL7 Web Service
- 12 of those EHRs are querying the CIR
 - 118 out of 119 MDLand iClinic sites
 - 301 out of 302 eCW sites
 - 85 out of 87 Connexin Software Office Practicum sites
 - 17 out of 58 AllScripts Sunrise Clinical Manager sites

Number of HL7 Web Service Queries Performed by CIR Data Exchange Partners January, 2011 to March, 2016



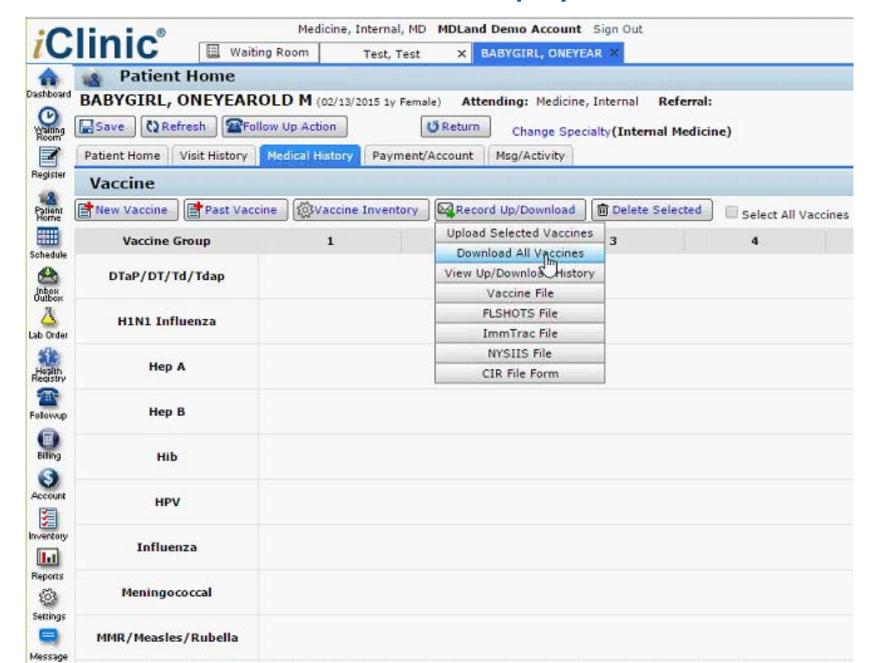
EHR to IIS Integration Features

- Automatic or Manual
 - Immunization queries and uploads
 - Reconciliation of immunization information
 - Decision support update when new information is added to EHR
- EHR or IIS clinical decision support module
- User interface, color coding, and context-sensitive help
 - Immunization information source
 - Valid and invalid shots
 - Shots due now
 - Forecast to schedule appointment for future shots

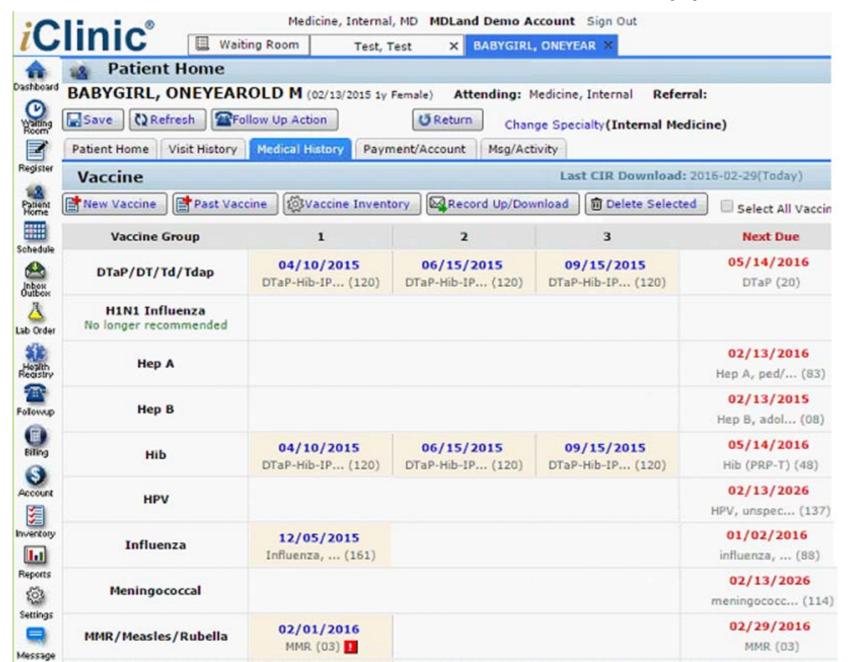
iClinic by MDLand

- Manual query, automatic record reconciliation, manual record upload, automatic decision support update
- Uses decision support from NYC CIR HL7 Web Service and color codes invalid shots
- Provides immunization forecast for next vaccine due date
- Color coding for immunization information source added to EHR test environment as a result of this presentation.

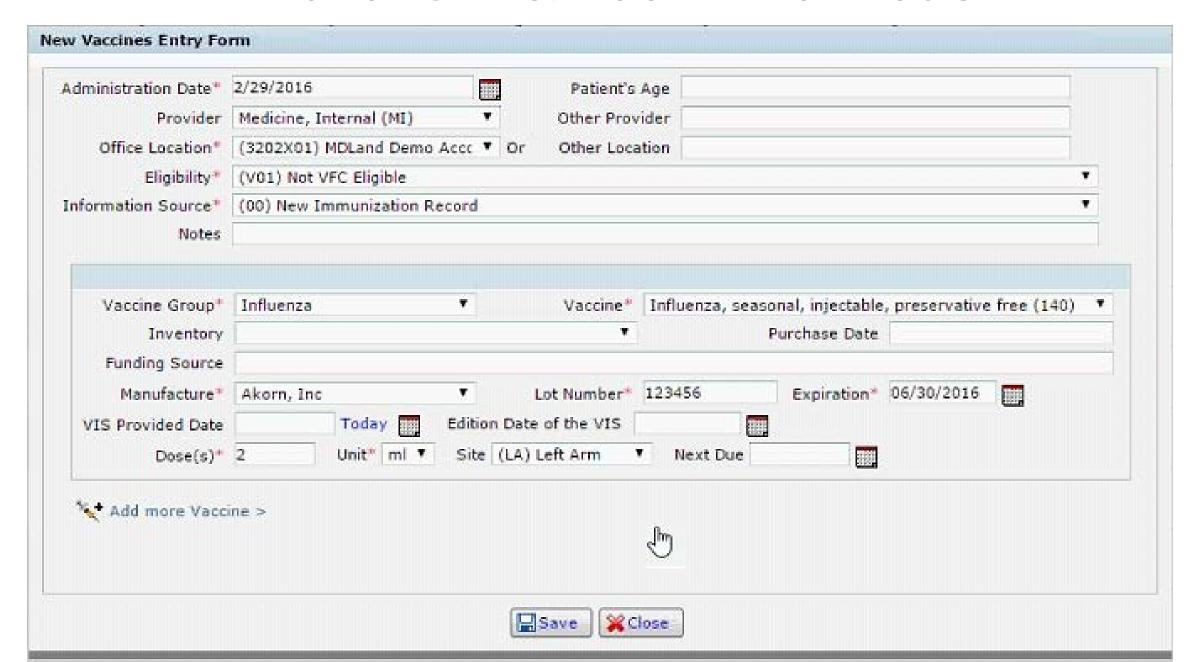
MDLand iClinic: Download to Empty Immunization Record



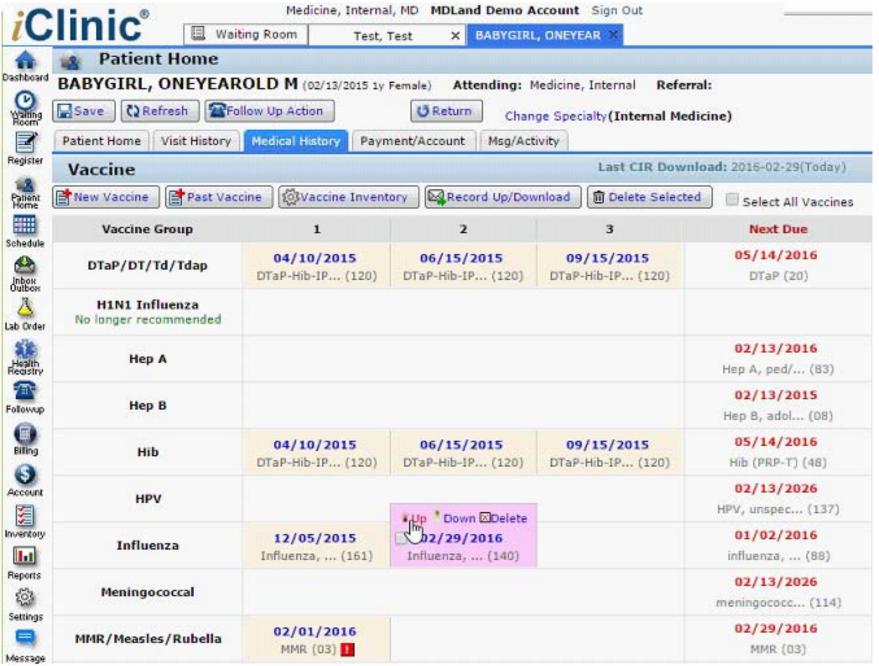
MDLand iClinic: Immunizations And Decision Support Downloaded



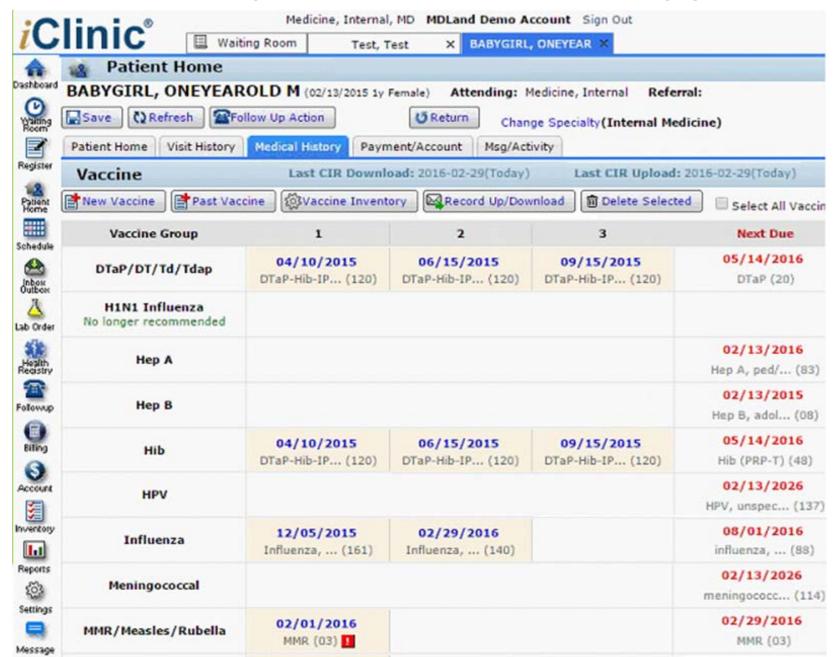
MDLand iClinic: Add Immunization



MDLand iClinic: Upload Immunization to IIS



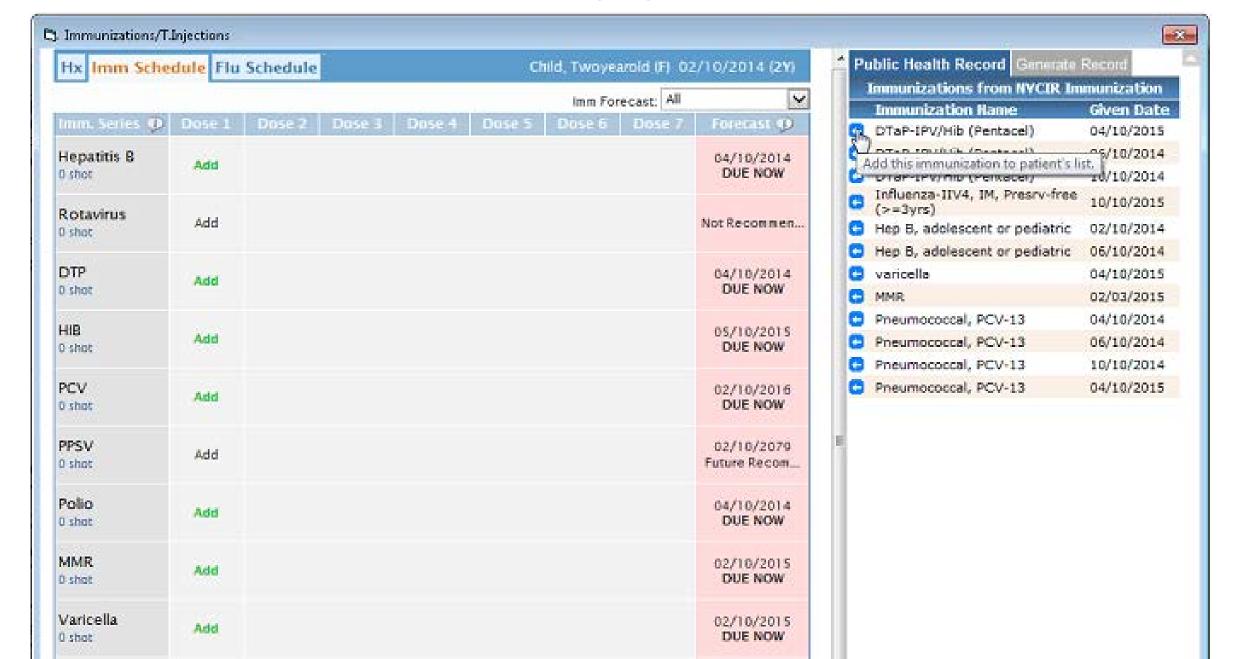
MDLand iClinic: Updated Decision Support from CIR



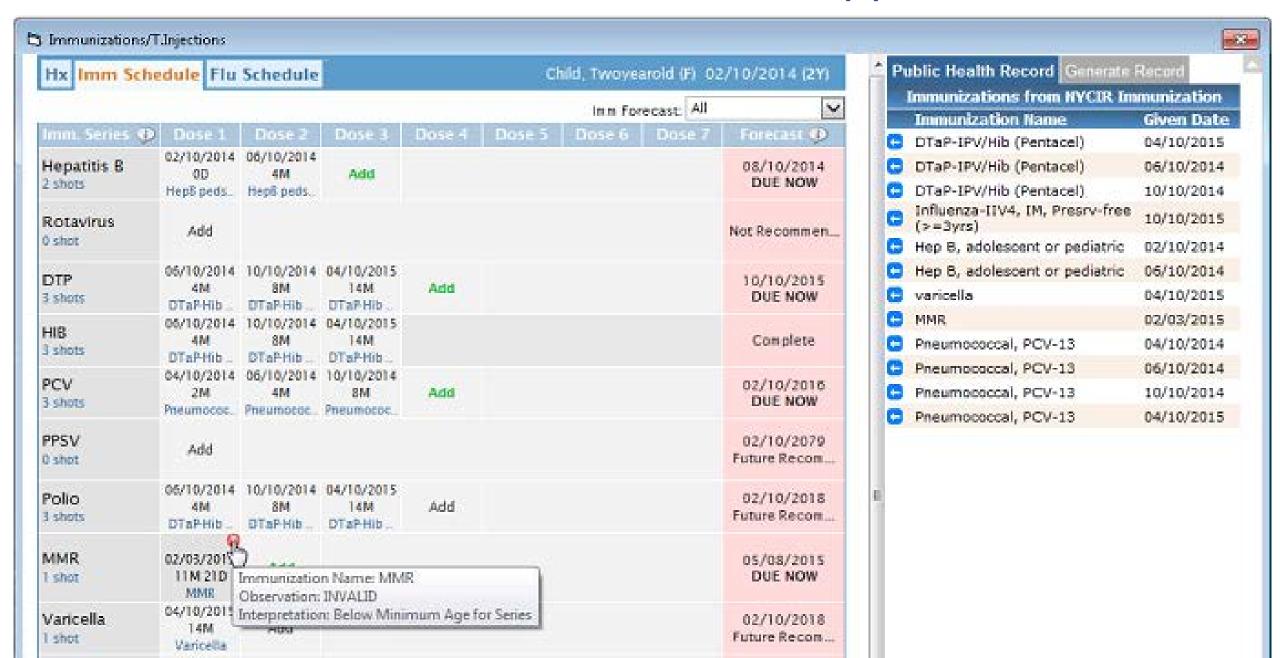
eCW

- Automatic query, manual record reconciliation, automatic record upload, and automatic decision support update
- Uses NYC's latest decision support software, ICE3 within EHR and color codes invalid shots
- Provides immunization forecast for next vaccine due date

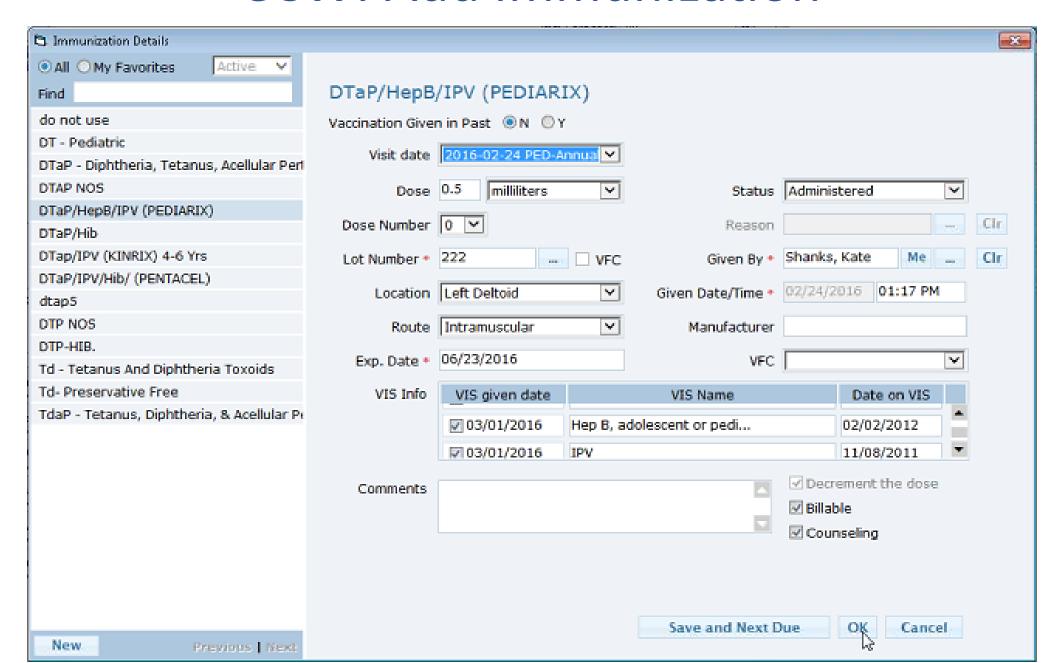
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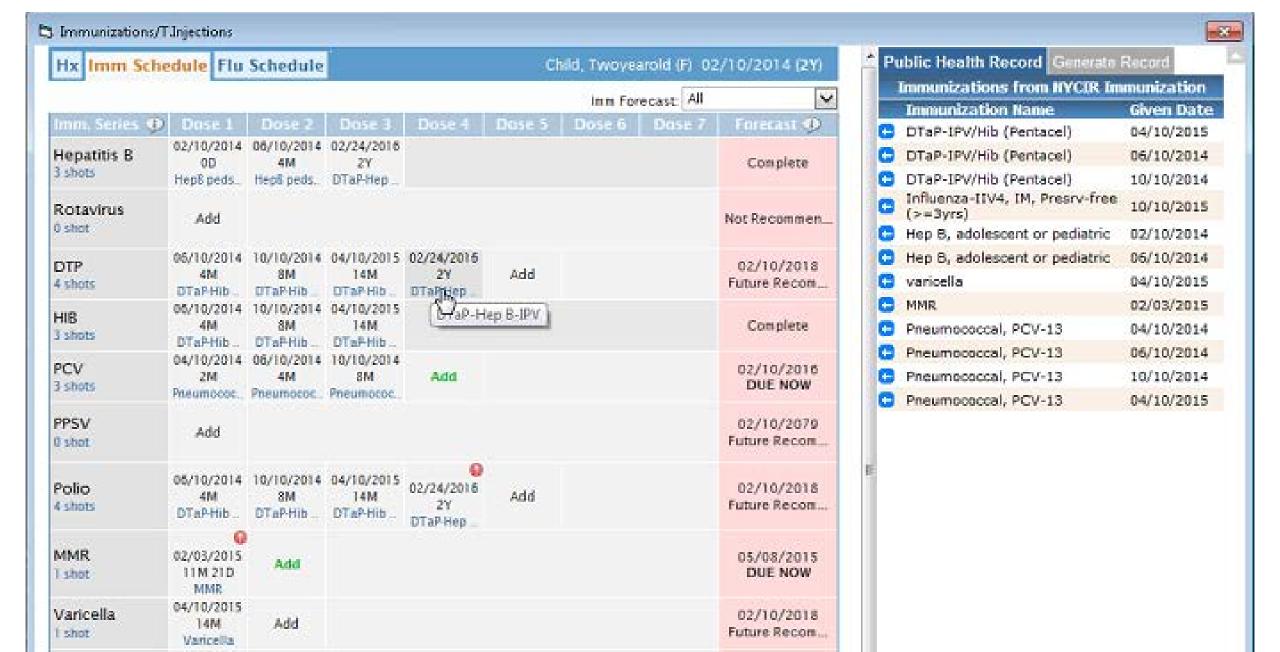
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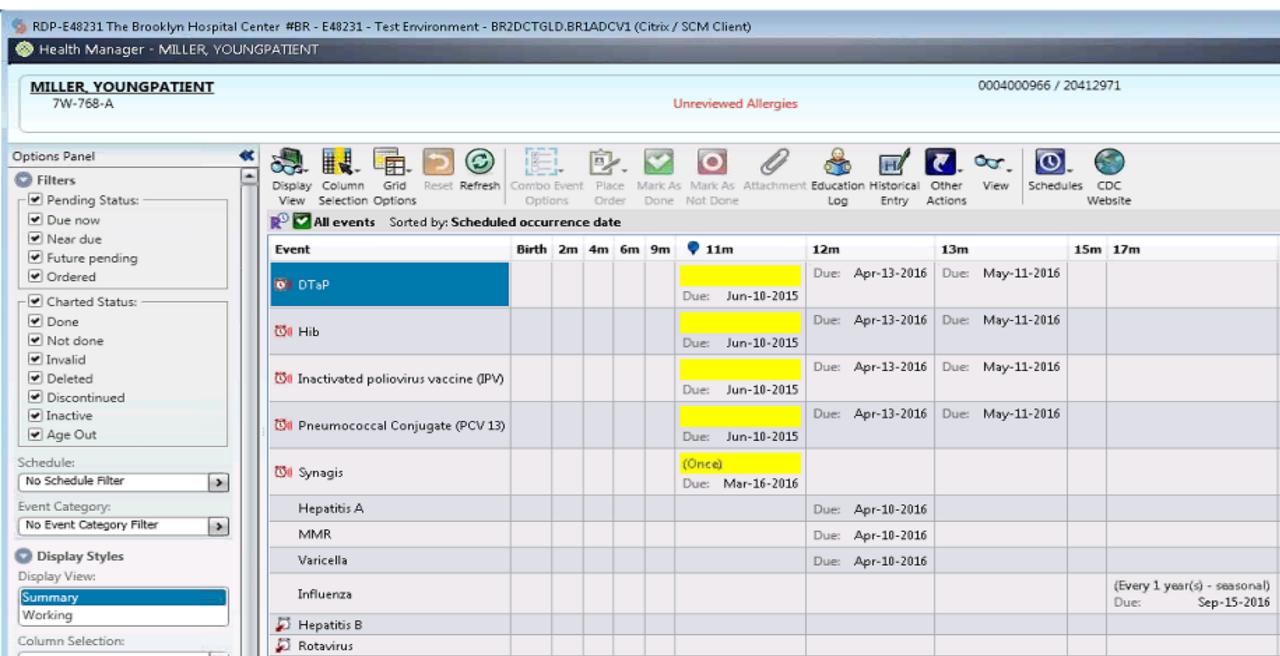
eCW: Updated Decision Support from EHR



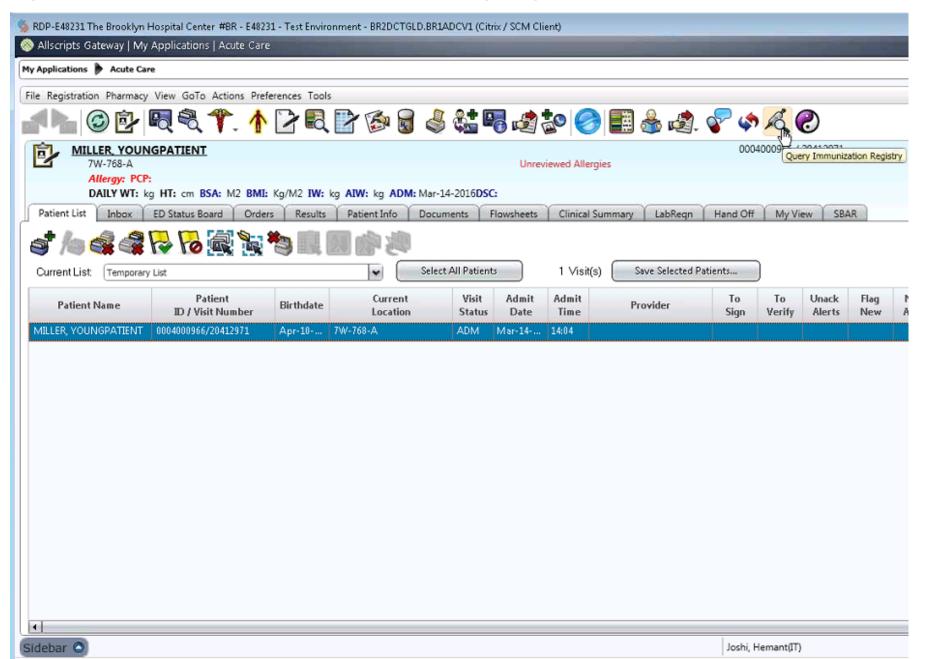
Sunrise Clinical Manager by AllScripts

- Manual query, manual record reconciliation, automatic record upload, and automatic decision support update
- Internal immunization decision support software
- Provides immunization forecast for next vaccine due date
- Immunizations from IIS are marked with a green box; immunizations administered at the site are marked with a green circle

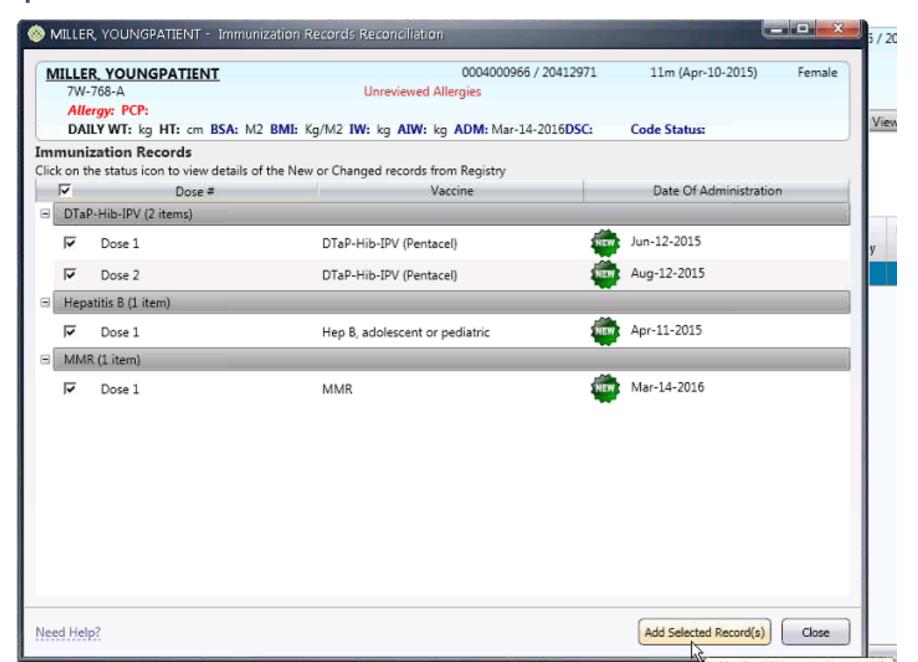
AllScripts: Empty Immunization Record



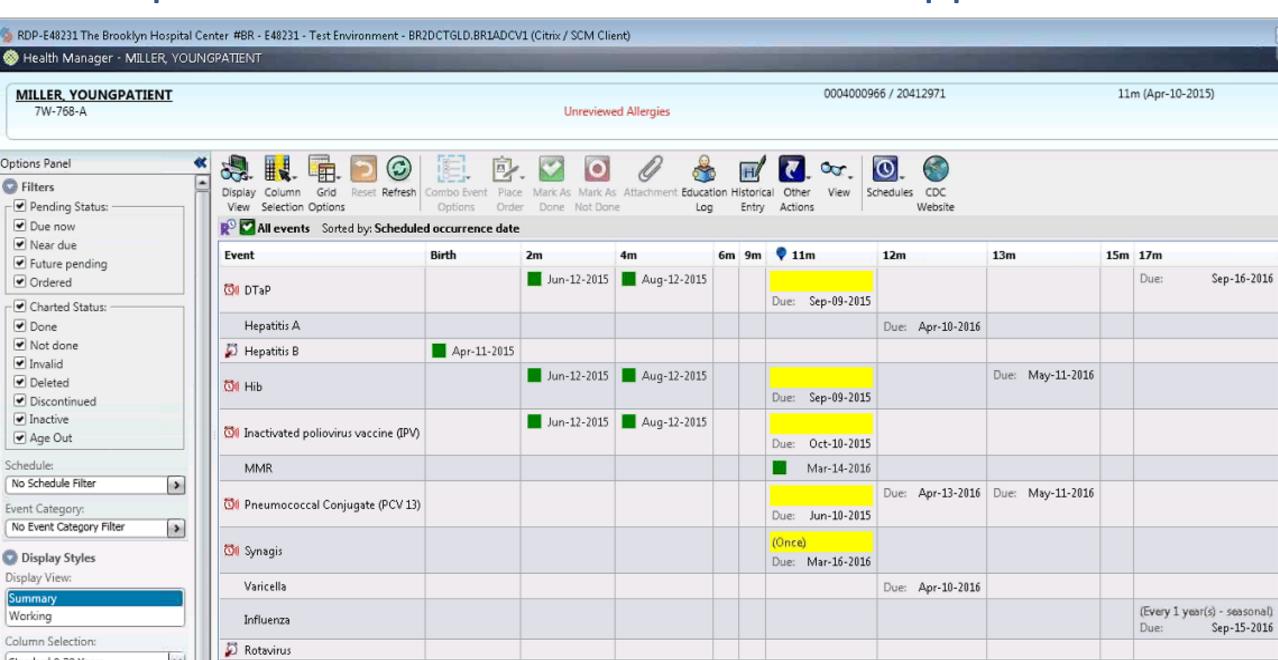
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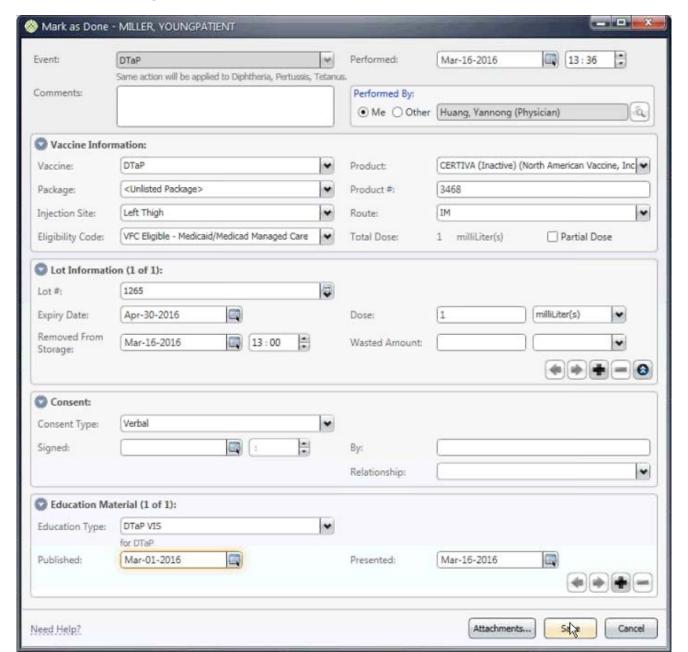
AllScripts: Immunization Download Reconciliation Screen



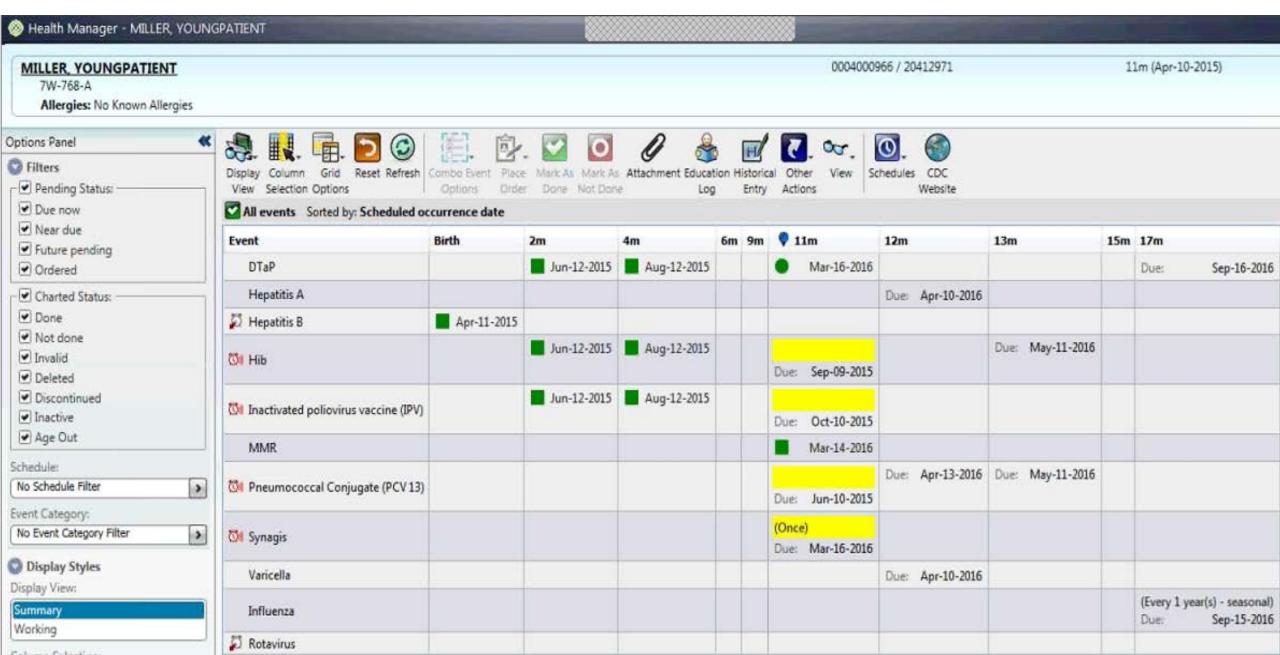
AllScripts: Immunizations And Decision Support from EHR



AllScripts: Add Immunization



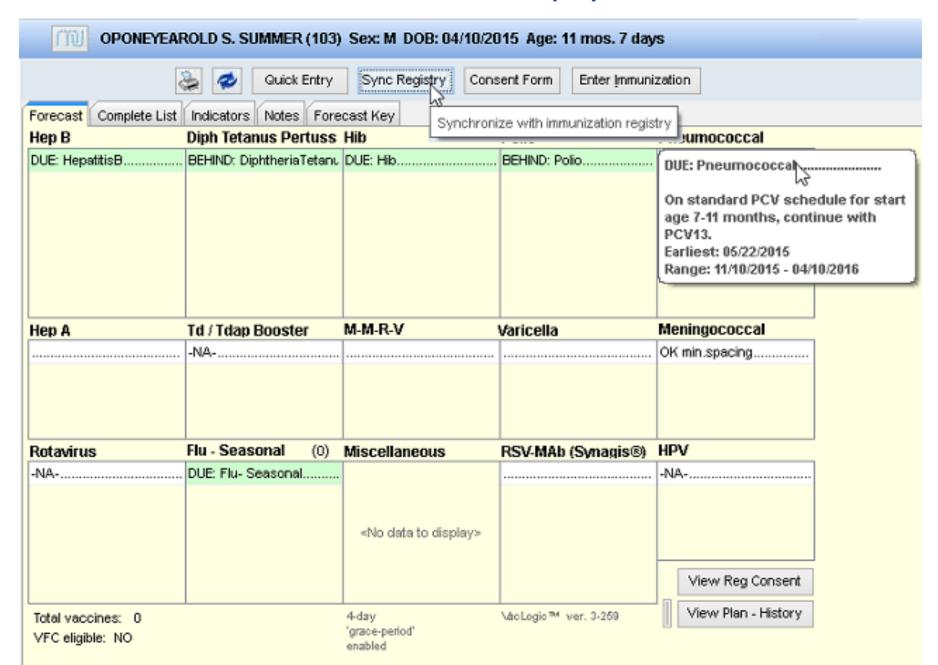
AllScripts: Updated Decision Support from EHR



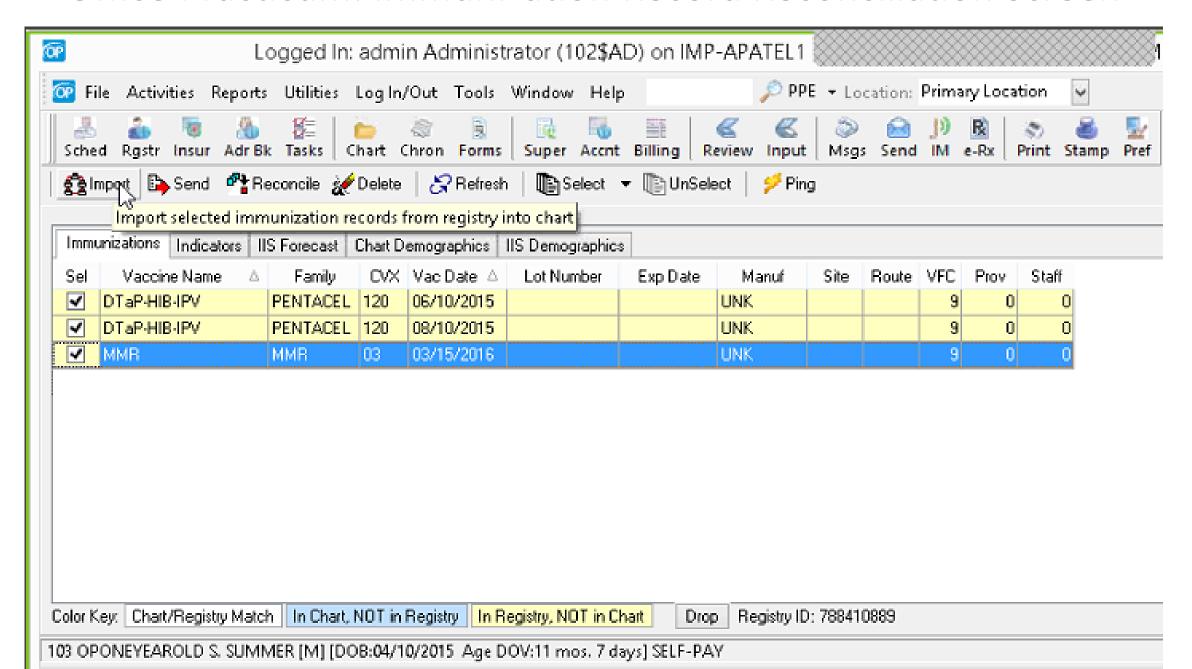
Office Practicum by Connexin Software

- Manual query, manual record reconciliation, automatic record upload, and automatic decision support update
- Immunization information source is color coded in reconciliation screen
- Internal immunization decision support software, with color-coding for valid and invalid shots
- Provides immunization forecast for next vaccine due date

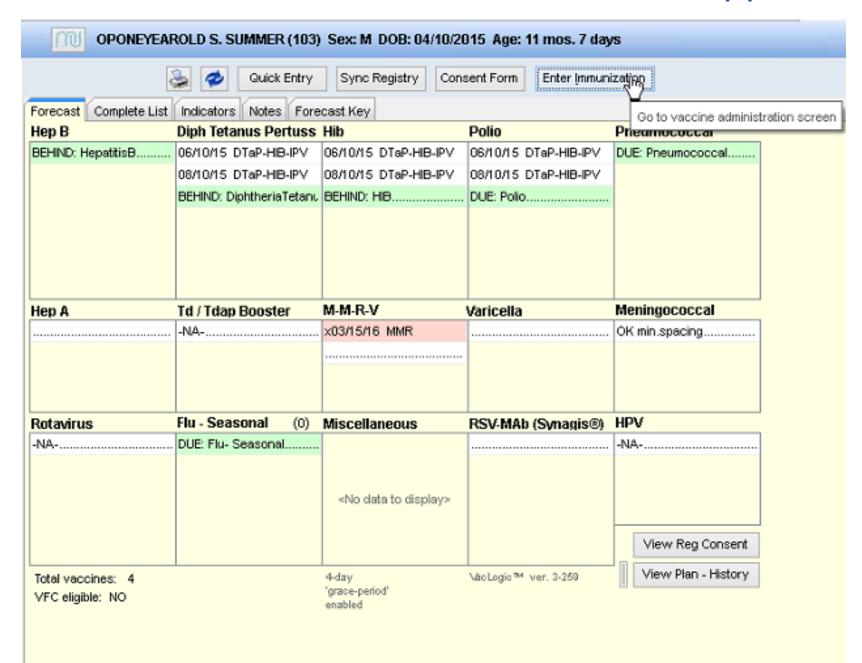
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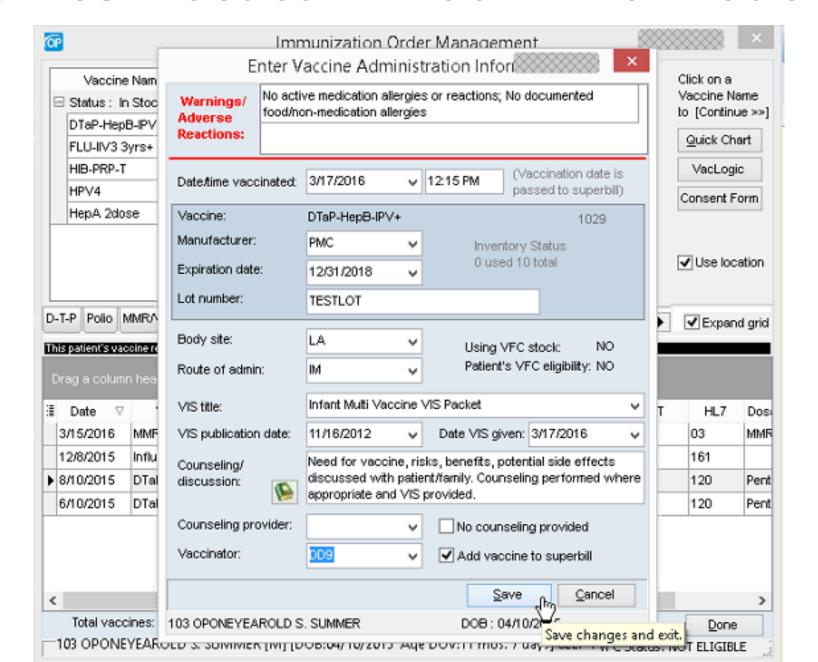
Office Practicum: Immunization Record Reconciliation Screen



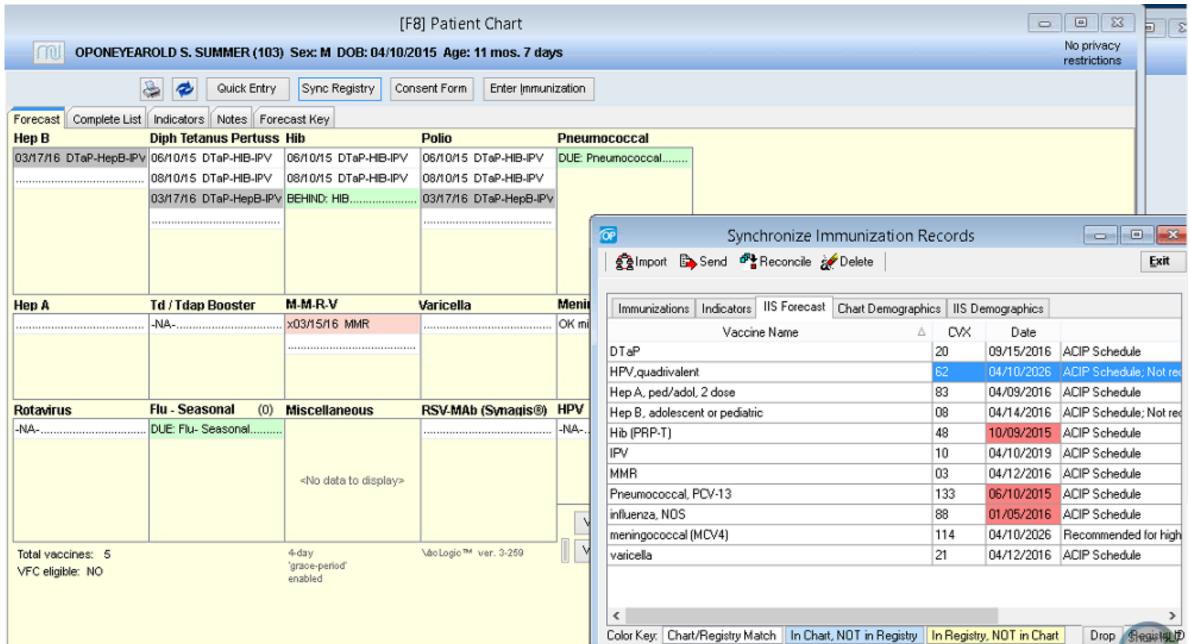
Office Practicum: Immunizations And Decision Support from EHR



Office Practicum: Add Immunization



Office Practicum: Updated Decision Support from EHR and Forecast from IIS



Items Identified During EHR Presentations

- One of the EHRs didn't have a real-time implementation (~40 seconds to query the IIS)
- On-screen error messages ignored during two EHR presentations
- Manual screen refreshes needed in two EHRs
- One EHR added color coding for immunization information source to user interface in response to feedback

EHR Feature Summary

- All 4 EHRs provide
 - Automatic decision support updates
 - Forecasts for future appointments
- 3 out of 4 EHRs perform
 - Manual record download
 - Manual record reconciliation
 - Color code invalid shots
 - Have an on-screen indicator for information source
 - Internal clinical decision support

Vision for EHR to IIS Integration

- Minimize effort for healthcare provider and staff
 - EHRs query IIS automatically
 - EHRs automatically reconcile provider record with IIS
 - EHRs automatically update clinical decision support for immunization records
- IIS is an extension of provider EHR
 - Real-time bi-directional communication
 - EHR shows information source for each shot
 - Standard messages and interfaces facilitate national implementation of EHR to IIS communication

Conclusions

- IIS and healthcare provider community need to provide standard community guidance for EHR query and decision support implementation
- Interoperability teams at IIS need to review EHR immunization record query requirements, design, and implementation for MU3

Future Work

- Standardize more IIS functions for EHR integration
 - School, Camp, Child Care, and more physical forms -> increase reporting
 - VFC enrollment, vaccine ordering and inventory functions -> easier to obtain vaccine
 - Vaccine adverse events -> provide information to providers
 - Reminder/recall and vaccine coverage report functions -> increase vaccine coverage

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