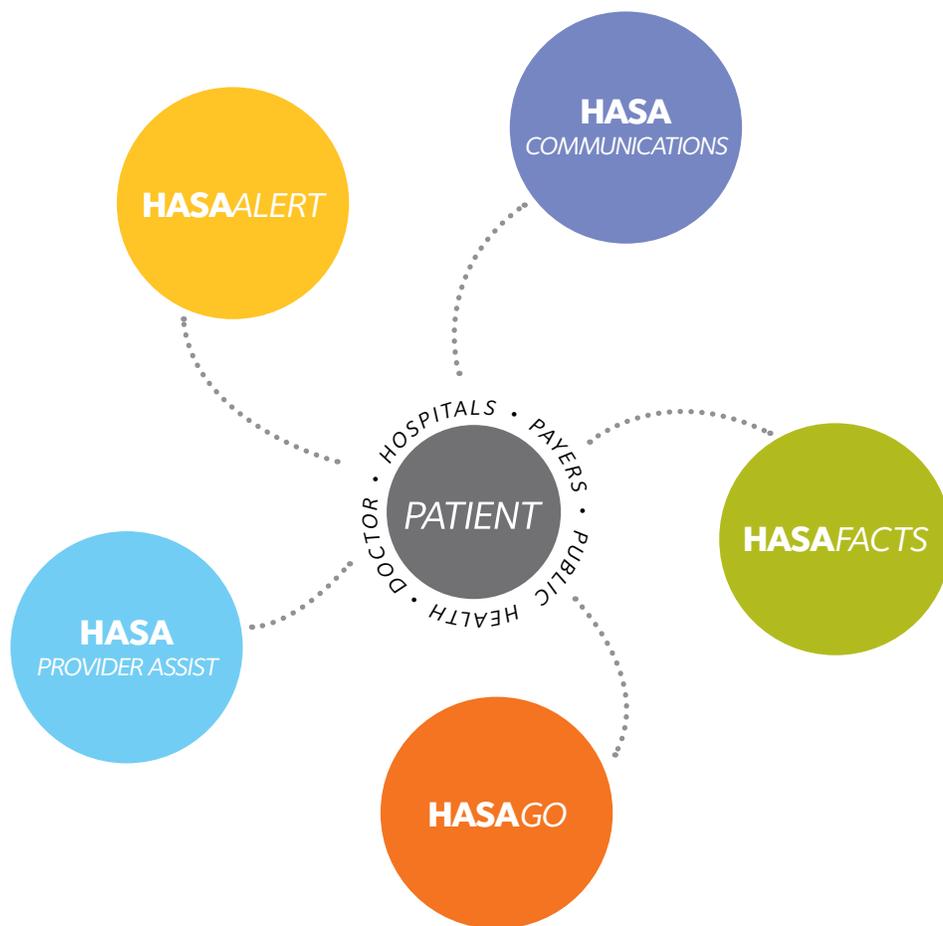


HASA: WHERE IT ALL COMES TOGETHER



BRINGING OUR HEALTHCARE COMMUNITY TOGETHER:

Health Information Exchange (HIE)

For healthcare providers, delivering quality patient care is the focus of every workday. And delivering the most effective and efficient care requires that physicians have accurate, up-to-date information about their patients. HASA brings together healthcare providers from larger health systems to single physician practices—to enable the secure exchange of health information throughout Central Texas, ensuring that providers have this information securely at their fingertips when and where they need it.

Patients: Similar to the ability to access their money from any ATM in the country, patients and consumers consistently expect their medical information to be available to their doctor, wherever they seek treatment. As long as providers maintain patient privacy and offer patients a degree of personal data control, patients expect their information to be exchanged to provide inherent convenience, cost and quality benefits.

Physicians & Hospitals: With narrow margins for physicians and healthcare providers, efficiency and timeliness are critical in caring for patients. Avoiding duplicate procedures, receiving real-time alerts about where your patients are being seen and obtaining relevant medical history are all opportunities to operate efficiently and maintain the focus on patient care.

Public Health & Payers: As our communities continue to become more mobile, changing jobs, health plans, cities and states, they will need better information to manage healthcare resources more effectively. HIE is the community utility that can bring healthcare information together to assist in population health outcomes, manage length of stays and readmission costs.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Do I have to have an interface to see value from the HIE?

A: No, because of HASA's comprehensive service lines, there is something for any level of participation. An interface makes Transitions of Care easier and allows patients to have access to their data through the Go Account. However, physicians can subscribe to HASAProviderAssist and Alerts without sharing data.

Q: Who else is sending data to the HIE?

A: All the major hospitals in Bexar County are either currently sending data or in the process. Various other organizations are participating as well. For a more complete list, please see our website at www.hasatx.org

Q: Is HIE HIPAA compliant?

A: HASA adheres to all state and federal guidelines for Privacy and Security. Patient participation is voluntary. HASA is what is considered an Opt-Out HIE model, meaning that everyone is in, unless they choose not to share their data. (For more information, please see the Patient Consent section of our website.)

Q: Is the HIE Data secure?

A: No system can be 100% protected against an attack. However, HASA was the first HIE in the state, and only the 4th in the country to become ENNAC certified. HASA is responsible for 22 counties, including Bexar. In late 2105 HASA began to expand our service area to cover counties in the North and West Texas regions. There are 8 other HIEs providing similar services within Texas. For more information about HIEs in Texas please go to LinkTexasHealthcare.com

Q: What area of Texas does HASA cover?

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