



## **Massachusetts eHealth Collaborative Fulfills Mission; Completes Final Dissolution**

*Pioneering Non-Profit Distributes Remaining Assets to Local Organizations Focused on Improving the Safety, Quality and Cost-Effectiveness of Healthcare*

**Waltham, MA – July 20, 2021** – The [Massachusetts eHealth Collaborative](#) (MAeHC), a national leader in health information technology for over 15 years, has been dissolved after distributing its remaining assets to six local public charities. Through their proposed grant programs, these grant recipients will continue MAeHC’s mission, which includes sponsoring, promoting and evaluating methods for improving the safety, efficiency and quality of healthcare delivery in Massachusetts through widespread implementation and use of EHRs, which have evolved over time to include the integration of other health information technology features, such as telemedicine functionality and clinical data exchange between the EHR and other platforms.

“Over the past 15 years, MAeHC, and its former President and CEO, Micky Tripathi MPP, PhD, who is currently the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (HIT) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, stood at the forefront of interoperability, standards development and HIT policy, guiding organizations in implementation and meaningful use of technology,” said Lawrence Garber, MD, Chairman of the Board of MAeHC. “Now, with our work completed, and our mission fulfilled, it’s time to pass the torch to a new generation of HIT innovators.”

Prior to dissolving, MAeHC sold certain assets to [Arcadia](#), a Burlington, Mass.-based population health management organization. MAeHC then assigned the New England Healthcare Exchange Network, Inc. (NEHEN) contract to the [Massachusetts Health Data Consortium](#) (MHDC), a closely allied non-profit that will continue to support this important function in the Massachusetts marketplace. Finally, in order to identify Massachusetts public charities to receive its remaining assets, the MAeHC Board formed a Grant Program Selection Subcommittee to conduct an RFP process. Based upon a recommendation from the Subcommittee, the MAeHC Board selected the following grantees whose grant projects most closely align with MAeHC’s charitable purposes:

- [Athol Memorial Hospital](#) will implement and evaluate school-based telehealth technology at rural school districts with a goal of providing high quality and effective school-based telehealth diagnostic services.
- [Boston HealthNet](#) aims to increase patient utilization of home self-monitoring, as well as prescription of home monitoring devices for the purposes of treating acute COVID-19-positive patients and patients with chronic health conditions.

- [East Boston Neighborhood Health Center](#) will advance the use of telemedicine to care for the most vulnerable patients by integrating tele-monitoring devices to allow elderly patients and those with chronic illnesses or infected with COVID-19 to get more consistent and comprehensive treatment at home.
- [Fenway Community Health Center](#) intends to improve healthcare through increasing capacity, expanding access, improving outcomes and reducing costs, particularly to the LGBTQIA+ community.
- [Greater Lawrence Family Health Center](#) will make systematic changes in the way healthcare is delivered through the innovative use of electronic health information technologies.
- [Massachusetts Health Data Consortium](#) will design, test, and complete a documented prototype for Electronic Prior Authorization integrated with the EHR.

“These organizations are all doing amazing work in their local communities and across the healthcare continuum, and we look forward to seeing how our grants support their unique projects and missions,” said Christopher Matarazzo, MAeHC President and CEO. “They will become part of the MAeHC story and its legacy, along with our former clients and employees, who I know will continue to play a role in advancing the quality and performance of HIT for years to come.”

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