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IBM Outlines New Model for Healthcare

IBM has announced a major healthcare study of Patient Centred Medical Home (PCMH) that underscores the critical need for a new model of care. It is committed to primary-care based, coordinated, proactive, preventive, acute, chronic and longterm and end-of-life care, which are identified as a possible foundation for the reform of today's healthcare system.

Some of the benefits of the Medical Home consist of providing comprehensive and timely care and payment reform, underlining the central role primary care. The aim is to preserve the patient's personal, long-term relationship with a primary care physician and to support the patient with a team approach to care.

The Medical Homes are intended to empower the fully functioning, secure interoperable electronic health records with decision support capabilities connected to their own practice management system and other information sources, such as health information exchanges or other providers' systems.

For more information please visit: www.ibm.com/healthcare/medicalhome

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