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EHRs: Current Debates and Future Considerations

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Example – the need to know

- PHIA (MB) states:

“A trustee shall limit the use and disclosure of personal health information it maintains to those of its employees and agents who **need to know** the information to carry out the purpose for which the information was collected or received...” [ss 20(3)]

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Example (4)

- Answers may be coming!
 - The Provider Registry that has been set up now in a number of jurisdictions will assist in answering some of these questions.
 - It is hoped that the information in the provider registry will include the individual provider's role so that when the individual attempts to access information, the registry will ensure that she is who she says she is and will provide access that is permitted by her role.



Resources (1)

- Canada Health Infoway:
 - Electronic Health Record Infostructure Privacy and Security Conceptual Architecture, Version 1.1, June 2005 – available at:

<http://knowledge.infoway-inforoute.ca/EHRSRA/doc/EHR-Privacy-Security.pdf>



Resources (2)

- White Paper on Information Governance of the Interoperable Electronic Health Record (EHR), January 2007 – available at:

http://www.infoway-inforoute.ca/Admin/Upload/Dev/Document/Information%20Governance%20Paper%20Final_20070328_EN.pdf

