

Your Opportunity

LouHIE is poised to make a tremendous difference in the economic health of the greater Louisville area and – more importantly – in the health of its citizens. But the project’s success depends upon the Louisville community’s willingness to step forward with start-up funding. LouHIE contributors will be recognized – at every available opportunity – for their community leadership and foresight.

LouHIE’s five-year business plan calls for \$3-4 million to fund the “LouHIE Launch”. In this 18-month phase, LouHIE will engage a technology vendor and launch a pilot project of the health record banking services, while expanding its management team. LouHIE’s plan calls for the project to become financially self-sustaining.

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About LouHIE

LouHIE, a Kentucky nonprofit organization*, was formed in 2006. It is a collaboration among the University of Louisville, the state Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Louisville Metro Government, all major area hospitals, the Greater Louisville Medical Society, insurers, consumer groups, and employers.

Contributors should mail checks to the address below. For your tax-deduction purposes, make checks payable to the Greater Louisville Medical Society Foundation, with funds designated “for LouHIE”.



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LouHIE is a non-profit formed with the goal to create a Health Record Banking system

for the greater Louisville area.

This bank will provide a community-wide electronic health information service to improve the quality of healthcare and contain rising costs by providing consumers and their providers with anytime, anywhere access to complete health-care information and decision support.

The Problem

Currently, medical information for individual patients exists in numerous paper and computer records — patient charts — located in different physicians' offices, and in hospitals or other provider locations. These records — often transferable only through mail, phone, and

fax — cannot be quickly shared among providers. As a result, thousands of medical decisions are made each day without information needed to make the best choices for patient care.

The Solution

The technology now exists to make transfer of medical records data among various providers speedy, reliable, and secure — so that critical medical information is present at the bedside when treatment decisions are made.

Through LouHIE all 1.2 million greater Louisville area citizens will be offered free accounts for storing their medical information electronically. Each account will be accessed and updated — with patient permission — every time the patient is served by providers.



This connectivity will improve health-care, increase quality of care, decrease costs, and encourage consumers to take an active role in their health.

Benefits of LouHIE

- **Better Healthcare.** This project will reduce the number of avoidable hospitalizations and medical problems. The most rapid progress is expected in the area of avoidable medication errors. An early emphasis on making medication information readily available will improve patient safety and save lives.
- **Cost Savings.** Health information technology will cut healthcare costs by as much as eight percent by reducing avoidable medical problems, excess costs and inefficiencies.
- **Economic Impact.** Growth will occur in the local technology and health sciences sectors that support this project.

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