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## UAO Selector Now Enabled in ClinicalConnect

The "Under Authority Of" (UAO) Selector for users authorized by multiple organizations to access ClinicalConnect was introduced on June 30. These users will now be prompted with an "Under Authority Of" (UAO) Selector upon logging into the portal, where they must select which organization they are currently accessing patients' PHI on behalf of. Once fully logged in, they can easily toggle between organizations they are authorized by to view PHI as appropriate.

As Local Registration Authorities cross-authorize users as appropriate, which enables regulated health service providers to use one username and password to access the portal on behalf of the multiple organizations they are Agents of, more users will be seeing the UAO selector appear as they log into ClinicalConnect.

To read more about the UAO Selector, [click here](#).

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## ClinicalConnect Participation Agreement Now in Effect

Legislative changes made in the last year to the Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004 (PHIPA), as well as the evolving regional and provincial eHealth landscape, necessitated a review of the ClinicalConnect agreement framework, particularly with respect to how physicians gain access to the portal.

As a result, on Wednesday, July 5, 2017, the 'old' Data Sharing Agreement signed by healthcare organizations wishing to provision access for their staff to ClinicalConnect was replaced with the new Participation Agreement. While the majority of the access requirements remain the same, one distinct difference is that the new Agreement better enables physicians operating as Sole Healthcare Practitioners to apply and gain access to the portal to support the delivery of more efficient healthcare in their private practices.

Leading up to the July 5 effective date, much has been accomplished - all 39 sites that contribute their patients' data to the portal re-signed under the terms of the new agreement, as did all existing viewer-only sites who wished to remain participants in ClinicalConnect. In addition, almost 1,000 primary care providers submitted a Participation Agreement to gain access so they, plus staff they employ, can obtain important personal health information for their patients using ClinicalConnect in seconds. Compare this to the alternative where physicians and their staff often spend hours calling for results from hospitals, local health integration networks (formerly community care access centres), or even community-based labs, diagnostic imaging centres and pharmacies.

Sole Practitioners who have completed their eLearning can use their credits earned towards non-certified MainPro+ Continuing Medical Education. eHealth Ontario continues to work with sole practitioners to put requisite agreements in place to access data from repositories including Ontario laboratories information system (OLIS) and the Digital Health Drug Repository (DHDR).

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## Participant Access to Provincial Repositories Continues to Grow

ClinicalConnect Participant organizations continue to gain access to provincial repositories, increasing health care providers' abilities to gain access to important patient information.

Users at another three Participant organizations can now access the Ontario Laboratories Information System (OLIS) from within ClinicalConnect:

- Prince George Retirement Residence (South West LHIN)
- Ritz Lutheran Villa (South West LHIN)
- Unger Nursing Homes Ltd. (HNHB LHIN)

In addition, users at four Participant organizations now have access to the Digital Health Drug Repository (DHDR) from within ClinicalConnect, bringing the total number of Participant organizations with access to this repository to 52:

- Hanover and District Hospital (South West LHIN)
- South Bruce Grey Health Centre (South West LHIN)
- St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital (South West LHIN)
- Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre (HNHB LHIN)

To view Participant organizations that currently have access to OLIS and DHDR data, in addition to other provincial repository data, please [click here](#).

## Welcome to New ClinicalConnect Participating Organizations!

Congratulations to the following healthcare organizations that were approved to become ClinicalConnect Participating Organizations in July 2017:

- Alzheimer Society Huron County Inc. [South West LHIN]
- Huron Heights Pharmasave [South West LHIN]
- Midwives Grey Bruce [South West LHIN]
- Pearl and Pine Retirement Living [HNHB LHIN]

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