
WNC DATA LINK

To: WNC Data Link Authorized Users

WNC Data Link was established in 2006 to connect the electronic medical records of WNC hospitals to support quality patient care. This year, connection to the VA Medical Center was added. Through your affiliation with one of the member hospitals, you are an Authorized User and have been granted access to use this regional health information exchange (HIE). Like other HIEs across the country, WNC Data Link's financial sustainability plan includes provider subscription fees for part of its funding. Effective January 1, 2012, WNC Data Link will have a monthly subscription fee of \$20 per month per ambulatory based provider. Previously, federal and private grant money funded a greater portion of WNC Data Link. We will continue to identify and apply for additional grants for development activities and seek additional revenue streams. Collective support by all hospitals and physicians will ensure WNC Data Link continues to be available as a resource for our region.

Over the next several weeks, we will be in communication with you or your practice manager to set up billing arrangements. Invoicing will occur every six months, in December and in June, for WNC Data Link connection for a six month period. If you have any questions or need more information about WNC Data Link, please contact Jonathan Meadows, WNC Data Link Systems Analyst, at jonathan.meadows@wnchn.org.

Thank you for your continued support of this important resource for our region.