

Allscripts Enterprise EHR Database

Patient Demographic Information

Empowering Extraordinary Patient Care





Welcome

- Understand the Complexity of the Database
- Introduction to the Patient Tables in the Database
- Querying Patient Data in SSMS
- The Galen Patient View (vGHSPatient)
- Q&A Chat



Why query the database

- Clinical Informatics
- Summarize data you see in the EHR
- Verify information that you see in the EHR, or in the interfaces
- Export information, e.g. Excel for Graphs and Pivot Tables



Be Careful

- The Allscripts database is Complex
- You can do harm, even by just running queries
- You may not have access your organization's policies



What To Do

Use TEST

- Or, a Data Warehouse
- Query development and testing

When using Production

- Get permission from the IT/DBA group
- Run queries off-hours
- Ensure it takes a reasonable amount of time
 - Most queries should be less than a minute

VALIDATE!

Always <u>Verify</u> your queries' data





What NOT To Do

Never...

- Access the database without proper approval
- Delete data. Ever.
- Run anything in production during the day
- Share passwords, even "defaults" like IDXAdmin
- Save patient data on your PC or in email
 - HIPAA concerns
 - Your company's policies



Information to Review

- Patient name, date of birth, sex, SSN
- Patient demographics
- Patient contact information
- Patient insurance information



Common Person Tables

Person

 Name, DOB, SSN. Person holds all basic person information - Patients, Users and Providers. Link on Patient_Member to filter out non-patients.

Person_Phone

 Phone Number information. Use dbo.fnPhone function to display human readable phone info.

Person_Address

Address Information.

Person_Other

 Includes extra information about the patient including Ethnicity, Marital Status, Languages, etc.





Common Patient Tables

Patient_lorg

 MRNs and Other Numbers. At least two entries will exist for each Patient, matching on InternalOrganization.

Patient_Member

Extended patient info – Primary Care Provider, Is Inactive Flag and other misc info.

Primary_Insurance

 Insurance information. In v11, this stores primary, secondary and tertiary info, despite its name.





Patient View

vGHSPatient

- Created for this session
- Common patient demographics
- Complexity
 - 13 tables and views linked
 - Functions to show phone
 - Knowing what to exclude IsInactiveFLAG on the Person table



Dictionaries

- Table naming
 - Dictionary name, + "_DE", e.g. Document_Type_DE
- Linking "DE" column = ID column.
 - Document.DocumentTypeDE = Document_Type_DE.ID
- Dictionary table
 - SELECT * FROM DictionaryWHERE Name = 'Resultable Item'
 - TableName: QO_DE



Keep it Simple

- Simple queries
- Validate / test as you go
- Use as building blocks for complex queries



Lookup Tables and Normalization

- Q: Why do I have to query 10 tables to get the info I need?
- A: Database Normalization
 - Required for the application to run effectively
 - Yes, it makes reporting more difficult
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Database_normalization
- Data Warehouses, e.g. Allscripts ETL



IT/DBA Recommendations

- Create a reporting environment
 - A copy of production, or
 - Use an ETL process, or
 - Use SQL Server Mirroring / Snapshotting
- Separate SQL users for each person
- Limit access to read-only
 - http://wiki.galenhealthcare.com/Reporting_Database_User_Permissions



Summary

- Why we query the EHR
- Ask for Access, Use Test
- Patient Info

Querying



Galen Reporting Offerings

- Custom Reports
- Custom Print Forms
- ETL and Analytics Reporting
- Training
 - Analytics
 - Allscripts DB
 - ETL DB
 - AEPM (Allscripts Enterprise Practice Management)
 - Advanced Interface / ConnectR





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