

**Mountrail County  
Health Center – Stanley, ND**

**“A Work in Progress”**  
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(Some Facts)

- ❖ Stanley
- ❖ Mountrail County Health Center
  - Mountrail Bethel Home – 57-Bed LTC
  - Mountrail County Medical Center
    - 11-Bed CAH
    - Rural Health Clinic

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**1. Current HIT Adoption**

- MBH
  - MelyxPro - Rogers, MN  
MDS and Care Plans
- MCMC
  - Clinic
    - Misys for Scheduling/Billing
    - GoMD (Dictaphone) for Transcription
  - Hospital
    - Dairyland Healthcare Solutions – Live 7/1/2007  
(Backbone to creating an MPI to be used in EHR)

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## Current HIT Adoption (Cont.)

- Hospital
  - Fall of 2006 started conversation with Rolla/Bottineau to share their current DHS Server
    - Resulted in a savings of Hardware cost of over \$35,000
  - Summer 2007 began talks with 9 other CAH's in Northwestern North Dakota to form an alliance and increase buying power.
  - Fall 2007 NWAIT (NorthWest Alliance for Information Technology) was formalized

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## NWAIT Members

- 1) St. Luke's Hospital, Crosby
- 2) Tioga Medical Center, Tioga
- 3) McKenzie County Memorial Hospital, Watford City
- 4) Kenmare Community Hospital, Kenmare
- 5) Presentation Medical Center, Rolla
- 6) St. Andrew's Health Center, Bottineau
- 7) Heart of America Health Center, Rugby
- 8) St. Aloisius Medical Center, Harvey
- 9) Towner County Medical Center, Cando
- 10) Mountrail County Medical Center, Stanley

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## 2. Long Term Goals

- Fully implement EHR
- Computed Radiology / PACS
- Timeline governed by grants, Foundation funding, etc.
  - NWAIT has a major influence on decisions

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### 3. Challenges

- \$ \$ \$ \$!!
  - Implementation
  - Maintenance – plan on \$40,000+ annually
- Staff Knowledge
  - IT Expertise
  - Staff's fear of Computers
- Infrastructure
  - Medical Staff needs to have a supporter (Super-User)
    - What to do with staffing issues?
  - Staff (Medical and Administrative)
    - RN entering orders

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### Challenges

- Time
  - Ability to train and retrain
- CHANGE!!!
- Assessing needs
  - "Fail to Plan...Plan to Fail!"
    - Center for Rural Health Website
  - Does everyone even know how to use a mouse?

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