



# Kansas City, MO – Experience with Chexout Software Products

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# Overview

- Kansas City utilized Chexout RN for KCMO PrideFest 2017, an annual outreach testing event
  - Chexout Software Developers allowed us to utilize the application in an outreach setting to address several challenges identified from 2016 Pride.
  - Software Developers got a chance to see the potential of the application to used in a outreach setting.
- We are the first user of Chexout DIS
  - We were able to customize to our needs
  - Involved in the development process



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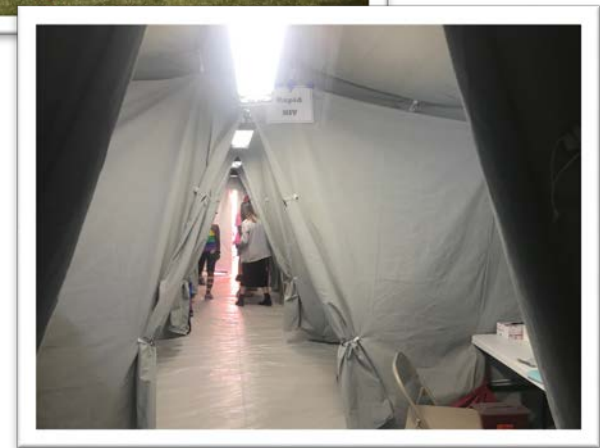
- Annual Testing Event
- 200-600 tests annually
- A challenge getting results to patients
- Enlisted Chexout to help improve getting results to patients
- Chexout digitized reporting



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## The process –

- Patients filled out forms and were told about getting a text message to return for results – 100% participation rate
- Patients got an initial text, had their tests done and then went back to the festivities – no nervous waiting around
- As soon as the texts went out to the patients, the staff responsible for delivering results and counseling were alerted and digitally logged the patients in when they returned.



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- When rapid tests were ready patients received a text to return for their results
- We had a special area well marked for them to return to
- A staff member greeted every patient and they were directed to private areas to get their results and counseling



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## The process –

- At the counseling session, patients were reminded that their confirmatory tests would take about a week and they would receive another message from Chexout when the final results were available



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## The takeaway –

- Feedback from patients and staff on the experience was universally positive
- Patients were relieved they didn't have to stand around waiting for rapid results
- Staff found the software easy to use and liked the oddslot process
- Notification rate was 100%
- We will definitely be using Chexout RN for other future community events



# Chexout DIS

## Overview

- We were using a patchwork of systems that didn't meet our needs
- We waited on purchasing an Electronic Disease Surveillance System (EDSS) because we were unable to find a system that did what we needed
- With Chexout DIS we saw a system that was taking it to another level on Disease Surveillance and Case Management
- Chexout was able to take data from our current systems and lab
- Chexout was able to customize quickly



# Assessing Our Needs

**Before we began, Chexout worked with us to understand**

- How our system operated
- What data we collected
- How we used it
- How we would like an EDSS to improve our workflows
- Where we could reduce multiple entry
- How to facilitate access to data across multiple DIS

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# Working with Chexout

- Weekly reviews of the customization processes were provided – no surprises
- We didn't require any in house tech support
- We worked with the lead engineer who directly integrated our suggestions into the software
- We had access to demo the software within weeks of the start-up process
- We worked to customize supervisory review functionalities
- Their unique knowledge of Public Health workflow made discussions easy

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# Criteria

## Our Criteria

- We needed a system that set up quickly
- A system that could capture relevant patient information (social sites, personal characteristics, etc.) and be easily searchable by all our DIS and staff
- We wanted a system that was flexible enough to add diseases on-the-fly
- We wanted enhanced text and email based messaging built in
- Ability to get our data out quickly and see real time analytics
- A company that could deliver on their promises

# Summary

- We just took delivery of the customized software
- We will be working with Chexout to add tools and features specific to us
- Looking forward to testing the upcoming integrated VCA module and working with Chexout on enhanced supervisory features





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