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Exploring major changes from genomic medicine

Genomic medicine is a "game-changer" for important stakeholders that include patients, providers, researchers, payors, diagnostic companies, policy makers, life sciences and governments.

Three significant impacts are underway:

(1) The growing use of a new genomic health record;

(2) Greater benefits for stakeholders in the three genomic medicine "cornerstones" of sequencing, translational medicine and personalized healthcare; and

(3) Opportunities for radical industry transformation.

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This prediction of widespread use stems from:

- The decreased costs of sequencing the human genome
- The proliferation and availability of genome-based tests in the past five years
- · The rising adoption of electronic medical records
- The increased use of genome data to recommend targeted treatments
 using companion molecular diagnostics
- A growing willingness of payors to reimburse payments on some genetic tests today





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Genomic Health Record

- A genomic health record would extract and integrate relevant electronic health data with a person's genome data. To use such data effectively, new types of decision support will be required to personalize risk, prevention and follow-up treatment. Owing to the complex uses of and needs for such data, the genomic health record is likely to be distinct from the traditional EMR often generated from an EMR system.
- The healthcare and life sciences industries are poised for greater use of clinical decision support. This is supported by recent EMR adoption data.
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 The role for Cognitive Computing and Genomic Data
 With the rising use of EMRs, healthcare integration and interoperability
 is finally maturing.
 Advances in cognitive computing machine learning and natural
 language processing will build on this trend to accelerate the
 adoption of genomic medicine and its integration with electronic health
 data into this new genomic health record.
 Adoption of genomic health records can provide a completely different
 level of decision support to users of genomic data through the
 application of cognitive computing.





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BM Watson IBM BM Watson IBM Help your healthcare or life sciences organization What we don't envision happening... develop its genomic medicine strategies 0-0 How have you incorporated genomic medicine into your enterprise vision and strategy at the clinical, research and IT levels? Which types of capabilities, skills and personnel will your organization need so you can use genomic medicine? Which do you already possess and which do you currently lack? How will you develop a plan to fill any identified gaps? Understand the requirements for your organization to leverage advances that enable patient care to be of higher quality, more accurate and safer. Develop competencies to comply with evolving regulatory standards, privacy and security requirements (for example, HIPAA) will be crucial in an increasingly personalized world where data breaches can be very damaging. What is your approach to deciding who you should partner with to build complementary capabilities and skills in genomic medicine?

Conclusions A new genomic health record will become a reality as genomic information gets combined with relevant data extracted from the traditional EMR. Rapid, precision oncology decision support is expected to expand on a larger scale The capabilities and technologies associated with cognitive computing are critical to the ongoing genomic medicine evolution ien To benefit from the far-reaching industry transformation that has begun, forward-thinking healthcare leaders can: verify that genomic medicine is part of their enterprise vision and strategy; assess and plan to fill existing and future skill gaps; look closely at how and when partnering will help their organizations succeed in meeting stakeholder needs.

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