Health Record Banking Alliance is happy to announce their support of the Patient Safety Movement Foundation (PSMF) and its mission to eliminate preventable deaths by 2020 (0X2020).

The Health Record Banking Alliance (HRBA) (www.healthbanking.org) is a 10-year-old non-profit advocating for a consumer-centered, unified, lifetime, electronic health record. The idea is that after consumers visit a healthcare provider, they will request their provider to send a copy of the visit summary to an account that they have established with a trusted private repository. Over time, this will become a comprehensive record of each consumer’s care, which they can make available, at their option, to providers, family members, and even medical researchers if they so choose. We believe that a single, aggregated, reconciled account of all the consumer’s health records will promote safer care by helping consumers to correct errors in their medical records, to prevent the prescribing of medications that may interact unfavorably with current medications or which caused problems previously, and to avoid unnecessary repetition of diagnostic studies that carry some risk for the patient.

As a committed organization, Health Record Banking Alliance will demonstrate partnership with the PSMF through the following:

1. Spread the mission of 0X2020 to the Health Record Banking Alliance network and in return PSMF will promote and increase awareness surrounding the benefits of health record banking to the Patient Safety Movement network.

2. Collaborate with existing healthcare technology systems to share lessons learned and best practices in order to promote personal health records (PHRs) and health record banks.

3. Ask HRBA members who work in hospitals to review and disseminate PSMF’s Actionable Patient Safety Solutions (APSS) to hospital staff.

4. Stay in touch regarding educational opportunities and speaking engagements pertaining to either of the parties.

5. Help educate HRBA members about how health record banks contribute to patient safety and encourage them to promote this concept.

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