

Innovation Alongside Your EHR: Getting from Idea to Impact for Homegrown Application



RAPID  **CONNECT**
by **MD** interconnect

HIMSS

NORTH CAROLINA *Chapter*

Define the problem and the impact

69%

of referring doctors indicate they don't know the right doctor to reach or how to reach them

71%

of clinicians say they have "wasted time" trying to connect with a patient's care team

96%

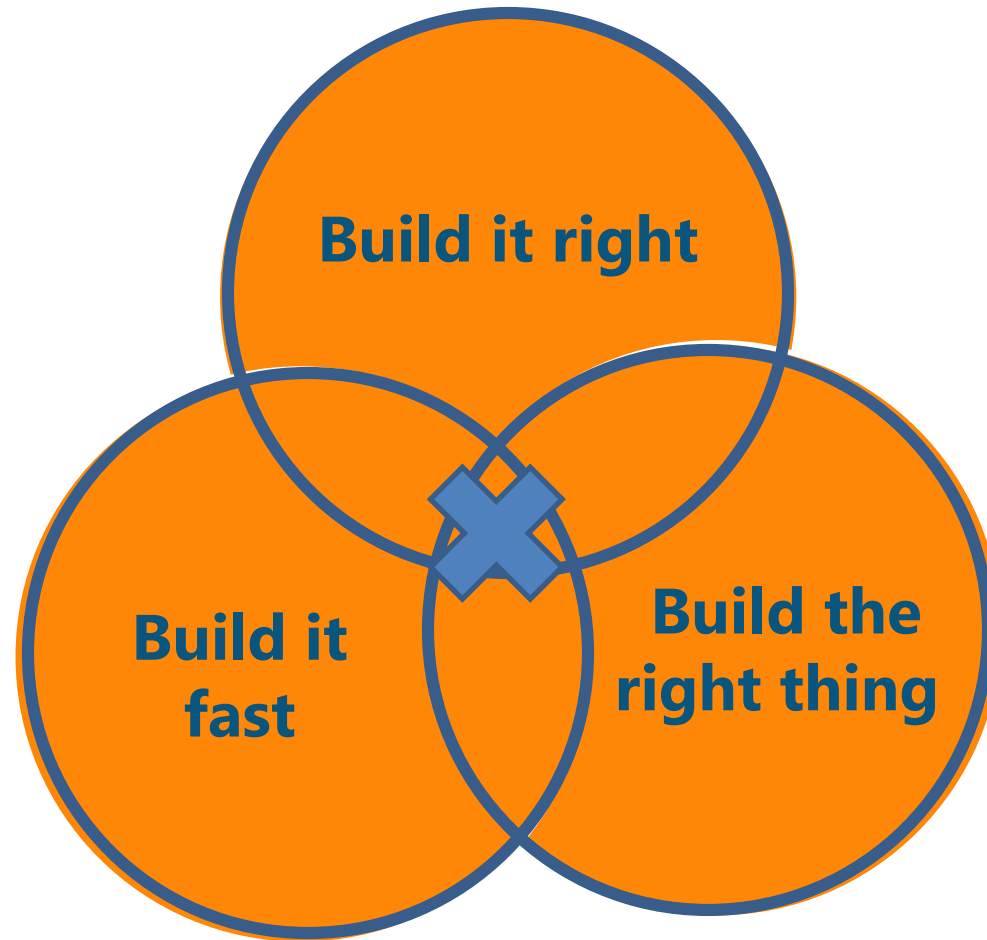
of physicians admit to sending PHI unsecured







AGILE Method



Barrier 1

The engineers who build your application lack in-depth clinical knowledge

Checklist to Overcome Barrier 1

✓ **Assemble Passionate Product Team**

Representation from relevant disciplines: IT, nursing , physician leadership, whoever is “doing” this work now, project lead, engineer, UI designer , product manager

✓ **Have a disciplined framework for user stories and use it**

As a ____ I need to _____ so that I can _____.

And if I can't then I will _____

While I am doing this I am also _____

✓ **Capture key work flows –**

Discover secondary players and take time to gain their trust

✓ **Mock-up screenshots and sit down with user in their environment, not in a conference room**

Be careful not to give leading information

Barrier 2

People giving you valuable and much needed input will try to steer you off course

Checklist to Overcome Barrier 2

- ✓ Evaluate requests against your mission statement
Every feature has a cost
- ✓ Define your critical user and understand impact of any feature request on this user
Does this feature improve my critical user experience or impede it?
- ✓ Have a simple method of prioritization for Product Team discussions
T- shirt size- S, M, L,XL
Allow for and look for the 3 agile perspectives
- ✓ Have a separate deeper process for investment/partnership opportunities
Find resource with business development experience

Barrier 3

Legacy systems are there and easy for people to fall back on

Checklist to Overcome Barrier 3

- ✓ Establish open lines of communication with staff
Clinicians are often too busy to respond directly to you but will give feedback to their administrative staff
- ✓ Create proactive alerts of poor experiences and a way to respond
Simple is better to begin with
- ✓ Have a way to gain insight into use of legacy systems to see who has jumped ship
- ✓ Provide reporting on positive outcomes and experiences
Put this information in hands of champions
- ✓ Consider average age and technology aptitude of your users
Ideas from your product design team may be lost on your users

Barrier 4

New and improved infrastructure options come to market everyday leaving yesterday's choices out dated

Checklist to Overcome Barrier 4

- ✓ Be ready to evolve quickly
 - Smaller stories with iterative development and daily communication (< 10 developer hours per card)
- ✓ Early on have a peer review of your technology stack
- ✓ Speed is essential to end user experience
- ✓ Bug Fixes
 - Gauge number of users affected and impact on your critical users to ascertain urgency

RESPECT

"You know something that I do not and together we need to discover it."

Himss[®]

NORTH CAROLINA Chapter

Thank you

RAPID  **CONNECT**

by **MD** interconnect



HIMSS[®]

NORTH CAROLINA *Chapter*