



Data Integrity & Physician Attribution

Attending Physician

On **Monday, March 4**, **Hospitalist Physicians** at all **NL Member Organizations**, including **ED Physicians performing the hospitalist role at NL CA Dean and NL Blue Hill Hospitals** will establish a new relationship, **Change Attending to Me**, through **Provider Handoff**. The established relationship will update the **Attending Physician** within the selected patient chart(s) without the need to place the **Change Attending** order. The new workflow is designed to streamline patient handoff while providing accurate documentation from a quality assessment.

The attached [flyer](#) details information specific to using **Provider Handoff**, **Change Attending to Me**, and **Provider Handoff reporting**.

Affected Member Organizations

- NL AR Gould Hospital
- NL Maine Coast Hospital
- NL Blue Hill Hospital
- NL Seabrook Valley Hospital
- NL CA Dean Hospital
- NL Inland Hospital
- NL Mercy Hospital
- NL EMMC (*already live 12/05/23*)

Attending Physician Relationship

The new **Change Attending to Me** relationship can be established through Provider Handoff or by using the Patient List.

- Through Provider Handoff, batch assigning patients can be completed at one time.
- The Attending Physician relationship will automatically be **inactivated** when another physician establishes a Change Attending to Me Relationship.

Establish Relationships

* Relationship: Select a relationship

* Select Patients: Select a relationship

☐ Select all

☒ TESTING, VA
DOB: JAN 03

☒ TESTING, ZZ
DOB: MAY 24

☒ VALIDATION, BBANK2023
DOB: OCT 18, 2000 Sex: Male MRN: 2512563 FIN: 399955533

☐ Testing, Bamboozle
DOB: FEB 26, 1950 Sex: Male MRN: 2512564 FIN: 399955616

Submit Cancel

Existing Relationship and Change Attending Order

Hospitalist Physicians who have an **existing relationship** with a patient, i.e., **Consulting, Chart Review**, will be **unable to establish a new relationship** through Provider Handoff. Placing the **Change Attending** order (*previously known as **Change of Attending Physician and Change Attending Physician***), within the patient's chart, will establish the Attending Physician relationship.

Change Attending Order 11/01/2023 11:06 E... 11/01/2023 11:06 EDT

Details for Change Attending

Details Order Comments Diagnoses

New Attending: Medical Service:

Invalid Relationship

The **Change Attending to Me** relationship can only be established on the following encounters:

- Inpatient
- Swing
- Observation
- OP Occupying a Bed
- Outpatient in a Bed

Discern: Open Chart - TESTING, CASEY (1 of 1)

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Invalid Relationship

You cannot use Change Attending to Me relationship on a discharged encounter. Encounter will now close.

OK

NOTE: If the **Change Attending to Me Relationship** is selected on a non-inpatient encounter, a **Discern Alert** will notify the physician of the **invalid relationship**. The encounter will immediately close after clicking **OK**.

Clinical Informatics – Please share this information with all **Hospitalist Physicians at NL AR Gould, Maine Coast, Blue Hill, Seabasticook Valley, CA Dean, Inland and Mercy** and make this a topic of discussion in upcoming rounding.

Behavioral Health: This information ***does not*** affect behavioral health caregivers.

Please direct any questions to the Clinical Informatics team using this link.