

CLINICAL POPULATION MANAGEMENT

PHASE ONE | STEP 1

Select a population registry.

Clinical population management (CPM) relies on the use of a chronic disease population registry. This is a fairly simple database that can be either cloud based or housed on your internal servers or desktop computers. (Unfortunately, EMRs don't have the required functionality.)

At this time few population registry software options are commercially available, but the selection is likely to grow as clinical population management reshapes mainstream chronic disease care. For helpful information and physician reviews on available options, check the blog on this website (keyword *Registries*).

FEATURES TO LOOK FOR WHEN SELECTING A REGISTRY PLATFORM

Any thought and effort invested in selecting a clinical population registry is well worth it as once that's done you'll be fully equipped to implement CPM. Here are important features to look for:

- Is secure and HIPAA compliant.
- Provides a separate module for each chronic disease you treat.
- Enables you to see data across the population *and* at the individual patient level.
- Allows you to:
 - Set and track your own preferred assessment intervals.
 - Sort and select patients according to your criteria.
 - Generate lists of patients in need of action.
 - See a patient's history across multiple measures.
 - Track patient disease activity.