The Croatian Diabetes Registry within **Public Health** Information System

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A bit of context...

- The CIPH has historically been in charge of most public health registries, with national coverage and decades of data
- Every registry had its own IT solution supporting only internal processes (data entry, upload, validations, database administration, reporting)

A bit of context...

- High redundancy in public health reporting data sets
- Many paper forms
- Low penetration of data standards
- No central data governance and synchronization
- Low analytical flexibility and responsiveness
- High burden of administrative work on data



The answer...

A unified registry platform (SOA, web-based) enabling EDC, and integration of various local and external data sources



- All registries on one platform (central public health registry NAJS)
- Business processes shared among stakeholders
 - county health institutes
 - MoH
 - HIF
 - national health agencies
 - professional chambers
- Single point of metadata administration (codebooks, standards, users)
- Consolidated reporting (joint procedures)
- Data redundancies eliminated
- Improved validations, data quality and analytics
- Improved data exchange (paper -> .txt -> xml -> EDC)

CroDiab registry

- established in 2000 HIS based
- since 2004, registration has been mandatory for all HCP with diabetes patients in care
- since 2013 complete coverage of patients, but not complete MDS
- in 2015 diabetes preventive checklist module introduced in PHC
 - BMI
 - Blood glucose
 - HbA1c
 - Ophtalmoscopy findings
 - Foot examination findings
 - Blood pressure
 - Amputation
 - Referrals
 - Lipidogram
 - Kreatinin



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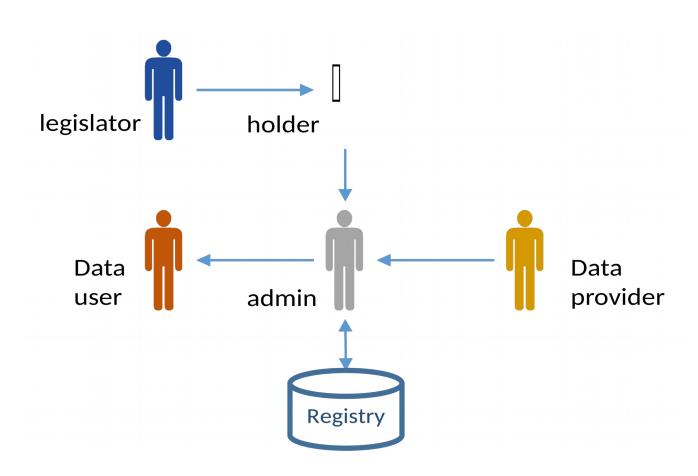
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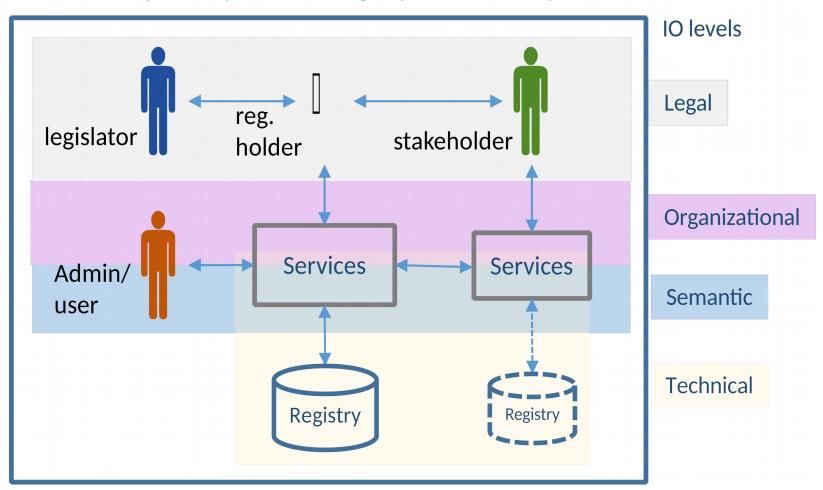
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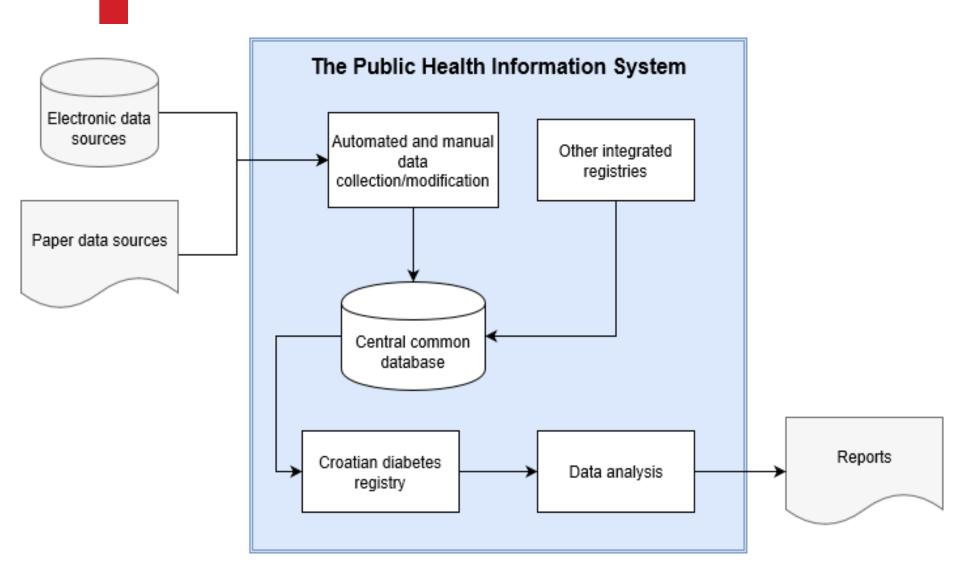
Political interoperability context of registry service development



Main optimizations in all registries

- Address data coded uniquely according to national geo-codes
- Citizen's ID and ensured person's ID with accompanying demographic data updated uniquely through web services
- Health care providers uniquely coded (workforce registry)
- Common codebooks (maintained by users)
- Cause of death synchronized in all registries
- Access by organisation and role permissions
- Multi-stakeholder platform

The Croatian Diabetes Registry



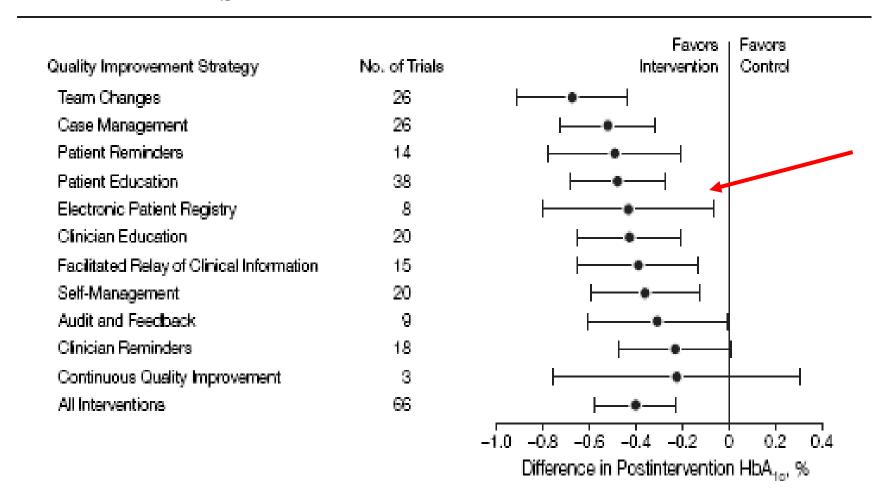
Data sources and level of integration

- HIS/CroDiab dataset import
- PHC diabetes preventive checklist dataset import
- PHC pregnants preventive checklist dataset import
- PHC visits, prescriptions, procedures end referrals import
- Monthly linkage with birth registry, CoD and hospital discharge database
- Manual data entry (at HCP or PHI sites)



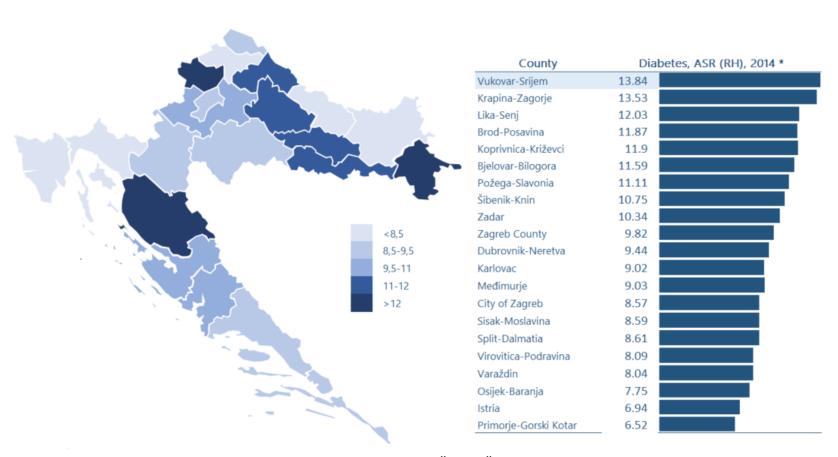
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Figure 2. Postintervention Differences in Serum HbA_{1c} Values After Adjustment for Study Bias and Baseline HbA_{1c} Values



New analytical options (just after data linkage)

Age standardized rates of diabetes incidence/100.000, Croatia, 2014.



Diabetes incidence pattern in Croatia in 2014, Pleše, Čukelj, Šekerija (EDEG 2017.)



Planning for quality

- Central database designed to reduce data redundancy
- Connected to basic public administration registries
- Greater technical interoperability (data upload, web-services ...)
- Clear and unified documentation for administration and use
- Greater control and security
- Analytical reports more compatible with international standards





Future steps

- Complete development of the diabetes registry services
- Complete migration of the historical data
- Define further integration with other services
- Expand analytics and cooperation with other institutions



EU Projects

- **EUBIROD** (2008-2011)
- PARENT JA (2012-2016)
- EUnetHTA JA3 (2016-2020)
- CHRODIS+ JA (2017-2019)
- InfAct (2018-2021)





Tamara

Dear friends
I'm so glad that EUBIROD family is meeting
again and we all looking forward to our future
activities and projects. I wish you all pleasant
and successful meeting and excellent
networking, like we always do, and hope to see
you all soon.

Best

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