50+ Years of NASA Astronaut Data -Architecting the Data and Analytics System

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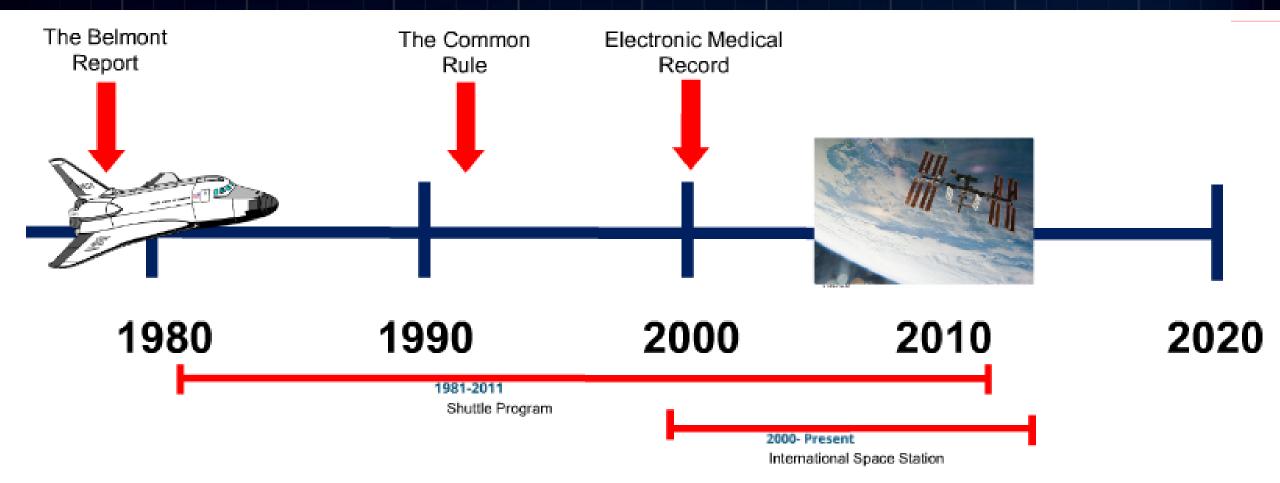
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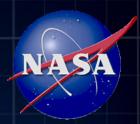


Spaceflight Timeline





Medical Records



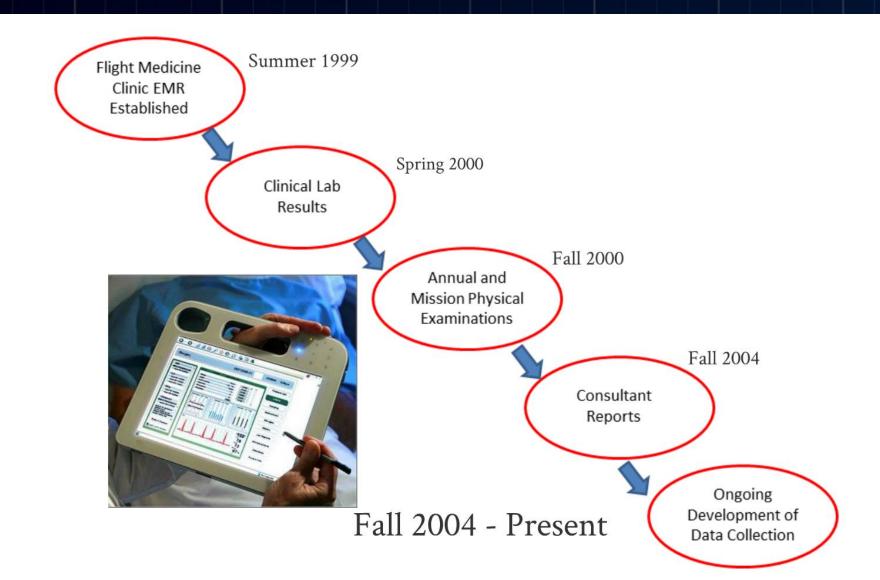
 In the late 90's NASA transitioned from traditional paper charts to an Electronic Medical Record system which improved the overall quality of care for astronauts in-flight and on the ground



Chart for 1 astronaut

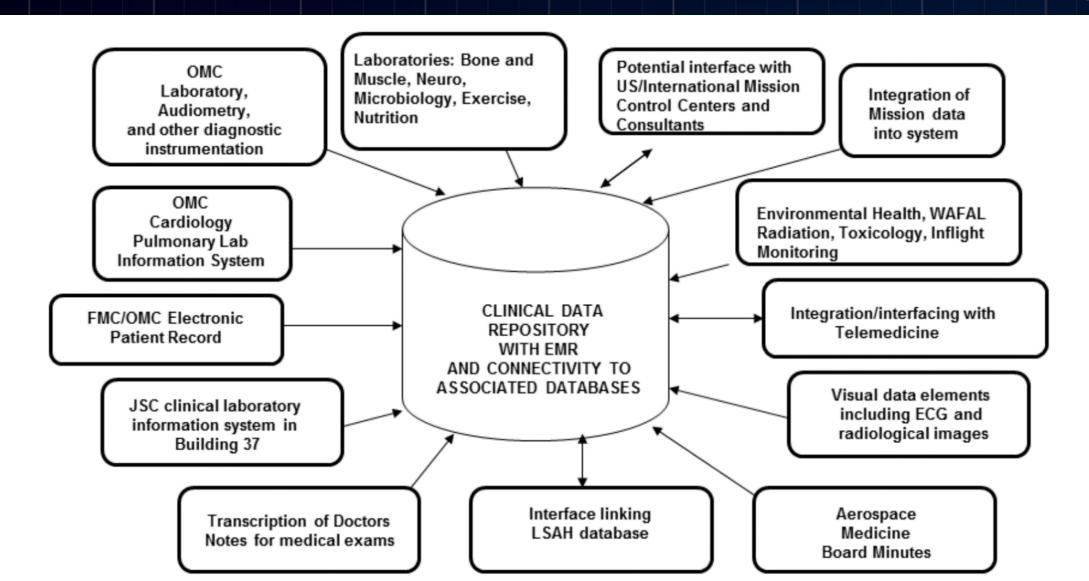
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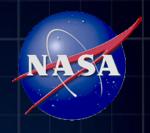


Many Data Sources





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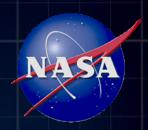
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- Spread out over time

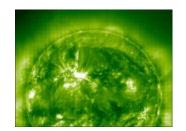
Transition to Occupational Health Surveillance



- Visual Impairment Intracranial Pressure (VIIP) Risk Assessment
 - In 2013 NASA reported that fifteen long-duration male astronauts (45–55 years of age) had experienced confirmed visual and anatomical changes during or after long-duration flights
 - Optic disc edema, globe flattening, choroidal folds, hyperopic shifts and an increased intracranial pressure were documented in these astronauts
- Initial VIIP Surveillance Data Set (20,000+ data points)
- Imaging/Consultant Reports: 284 reports (MRI, OCT, Optical Biometry)
- Vision Data: 66,000+ data points Reviewed; 500+ Updated/Corrected

50+ Years of Data = Evidence





Solar Flare (radiation)







Isolation

Analysis/ Surveillance

Evidence

Research



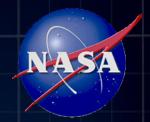
Confinement (small space)

Operations



Sensory Differences

Key Questions



- Data Acquisition: What is the right balance between structured and free text when primary goals include both completeness and retrievability?
 - EMR contains a mix. For VIIP, a person had to read free text looking for indicators
- Data Extraction: How to pull data completely and repeatably given the mix of data in the systems?
 - Data continues to flow into the systems.
- Analytics: How to trend & monitor the data in the systems for occupational health surveillance? For known risks? For identifying potential risks?
 - What tools could help us monitor VIIP? Could tools have helped us find VIIP before the sentinel event?
- Meta data: Lab tests have changed over the years. Data was collected under many different conditions. How to best structure, capture and use this associated metadata?
- Change: How to structure an architecture that is adaptable to changing needs, changing technology?
 - For VIIP new tests were added, the frequency of tests changed.

Analytics Platform

