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SHAPING THE FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE

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Unique Healthcare Identifiers

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- Technology can provide a national platform for equity and access to quality care for all Australians
- NEHTA's role is to facilitate the right technology and establish a standardised approach



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## Healthcare reform

- E-health offers significant benefits:
  - improving safety and quality
  - more effective chronic disease management
- Widespread adoption of e-health enables better value for money of health expenditure
- E-health a focus of the 2020 summit



## Individual Electronic health records

- It is proposed that Australia will have a national system of Individual electronic health records
- NEHTA preparing the business case for consideration by the Council of Australian Governments in 2008



## Implementation focus for 2008

- National e-health implementations in the following priority areas:
  - Discharge summaries
  - Pathology
  - Referrals
  - Medication management



## The principle benefit

- The principal purpose of an individual electronic health record is to provide high quality health status and healthcare information concerning an individual health consumer, in order to inform and enable high quality healthcare decision-making

*Better healthcare for all Australians*

