

# Healthcare Digital Services

Assessing IT service providers' healthcare digital transformation capabilities



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#### Introduction

Digital transformation in healthcare is the strategic integration of technologies, such as electronic health records (EHRs), telemedicine, Al and wearable devices, and the use of big data analytics to ensure operational efficiency and optimize patient care, where each technology is associated with certain inherent benefits. Al is crucial for enhancing data management, diagnostics and tailoring treatments to specific patient needs; telemedicine expands access to healthcare through virtual consultations; mobile health (mHealth) uses mobile devices, giving patients control over their health data, following real-time monitoring with wearables and IoT devices: RPA streamlines administrative tasks: and blockchain ensures secure data management across healthcare systems. Patient engagement platforms further personalize healthcare, while ensuring compliance with strict data security regulations to maintain the operational integrity of cloud solutions.

Despite challenges such as interoperability, cyber threats and disparities in digital access, the ongoing digital transformation promises a healthcare system that is efficient, accessible and patient-centric. Evolving regulatory frameworks and technological advances will support this transformation, benefitting both patients and healthcare providers.

The ISG Provider Lens<sup>™</sup> Healthcare Digital Services 2024 study will assess providers based on their capacity to enhance clients' technological capabilities, develop robust architectural frameworks and streamline management. Evaluations would focus on their readiness to support future technological advances, offer strategic insights and show a certain preparedness for forthcoming innovations.



### The IPL Healthcare Digital Services

2024 study focuses on digital transformation solutions and services for payers and providers.



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Payer Transformation — Public

Payer Transformation — Private

Provider Transformation — ERP

Provider Transformation — RCM

Provider Transformation — EHR

#### Definition

The ISG Provider Lens<sup>™</sup> Healthcare Digital Services study offers the following to business and IT decision-makers:

- Transparency on the strengths and weaknesses of relevant providers.
- A differentiated positioning of providers by segments on their competitive strengths and portfolio attractiveness.
- Focus on different markets, including the U.S. and Brazil.

Our study serves as an important decisionmaking basis for positioning, key relationships, and go-to-market considerations. ISG advisors and enterprise clients also use information from these reports to evaluate their current vendor relationships and potential engagements.

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In this quadrant, ISG evaluates providers that offer digital transformation services to public sector payers, including government health agencies and public health insurance programs. Digital transformation in the public sector involves integrating advanced technologies to enhance the administration, efficiency and effectiveness of healthcare payer operations. These services aim to modernize processes, improve data management and enhance service delivery. The benefits of digital transformation in the public sector include enhanced operational efficiency, improved data accuracy, augmented regulatory compliance and increased transparency.

This quadrant evaluates providers operating in the US or Brazil or both.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Have a clear understanding of Brazil/the U.S. public healthcare operations and be familiar with critical regulations by CMS and Sistema Único de Saúde (SUS). Also, ensuring compliance with other regulations such as, HIPAA, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and other relevant standards to ensure compliance and protect data integrity
- 2. Ensure that the systems and technologies it implements align with the payer's processes and objectives, enhancing overall efficiency and service delivery, with customization addressing each public sector payer's unique requirements

- Expertise in integrating and managing advanced technologies such as data analytics, AI and ML, cloud computing and cybersecurity within healthcare payer environments
- Proficiency in implementing robust data management and analytics solutions to enhance data accuracy and provide actionable insights.
- 5. **Capability in developing and integrating systems** that facilitate seamless data exchange between various healthcare entities
- 6. **Can adopt the latest technologies and best practices,** offering solutions that adapt to future advances and industry standards

In this guadrant, ISG evaluates providers that offer digital transformation services to private sector payers, including private health insurance companies and managed care organizations. Digital transformation in this context involves integrating advanced technologies to enhance healthcare payer operations, efficiency and effectiveness. These services aim to modernize processes, improve data management and augment service delivery. Digital transformation in the private sector is characterized by numerous benefits such as enhanced operational efficiency, improved data accuracy and regulatory compliance, and increased customer satisfaction.

This quadrant evaluates providers operating in the US or Brazil or both.

#### **Eligibility** Criteria

- Have a comprehensive understanding of Brazil's Agencia Nacional de Saude (ANS) and private healthcare operations in the U.S., alongside familiarity with critical regulations such as HIPAA and the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to ensure compliance and protect data integrity
- Ensure that the systems and technologies it implements align with the payer's processes and objectives, enhancing overall efficiency and service delivery, with customization addressing each private sector payer's unique requirements

- 3. Expertise in integrating and managing advanced technologies such as data analytics, AI and ML, cloud computing and cybersecurity within healthcare payer environments
- Proficiency in implementing robust data management and analytics solutions to enhance data accuracy and provide actionable insights
- 5. **Capability in developing and integrating systems** that facilitate seamless data exchange between various healthcare entities
- 6. **Can adopt the latest technologies and best practices,** offering solutions that adapt to future advances and industry standards

In this quadrant, ISG assesses providers offering ERP implementation services to the healthcare industry. These providers specialize in delivering comprehensive software solutions that streamline and integrate the operations of healthcare providers, including hospital systems and independent healthcare organizations. They focus on deploying ERP systems tailored to the unique needs of the healthcare industry, ensuring benefits such as cost savings, improved operational efficiency, enhanced staff collaboration and optimized patient management. The expertise of these providers encompasses the entire implementation process — from initial planning and customization to deployment and ongoing support — enabling healthcare organizations to achieve seamless and effective system integration.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Have an in-depth understanding of the operations and challenges pertaining to the healthcare industry, including regulations such as HIPAA and GDPR
- 2. **Experience and specialization** in the healthcare industry, including successful **ERP implementations** for hospitals and independent healthcare organizations.
- Possess advanced technical expertise in ERP software, encompassing the development of intellectual property assets, strategic partnerships, installation, customization, integration and ongoing support

- Ability to tailor an ERP system to the specific needs of a healthcare facility and ensure that it is in alignment with its processes and objectives
- Ability to integrate nextgeneration technologies such as AI, ML and analytics to enhance the functionalities and effectiveness of an ERP system
- Can provide postimplementation services such as troubleshooting, system updates and user training
- 7. Offer scalable and flexible solutions to accommodate organizational growth and evolving healthcare needs

In this guadrant, ISG evaluates providers specializing in revenue cycle management (RCM) for the healthcare industry, delivering advanced solutions that streamline the financial processes of healthcare organizations. By using sophisticated medical billing software, these providers manage the entire revenue cycle — from patient registration and appointment scheduling to final payment collection. Their services ensure efficient identification, collection and management of revenues from patient services, wherein they integrate administrative and clinical data to enhance billing accuracy, payment processing and claims management. The solutions offered by these providers help healthcare organizations maintain financial stability, improve operational efficiency and achieve full visibility of revenue generation practices.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Have an in-depth understanding of the operations and unique challenges of the healthcare industry, including a familiarity with regulations such as HIPAA and GDPR
- Possess advanced technical expertise in RCM software,

encompassing the development of intellectual property assets, strategic partnerships, installation, customization, integration and ongoing support

Have proficiency in implementing tailored RCM solutions for

hospital systems and independent healthcare givers and managing

the entire revenue cycle – from patient registration to payment collection.

- Ability to handle key revenue cycle activities such as charge capture; claim submission; coding; patient collections; preregistration, registration and remittance processing; fostering operational efficiency; and regulatory compliance.
- Ability to integrate nextgeneration technologies such as AI, ML, IoT and analytics to enhance the functionalities and effectiveness of an RCM system
- Has a team of experts with the relevant skills to implement and support advanced technologies, including data analytics and GenAI and cybersecurity components, to ensure the security, scalability and accessibility of an RCM system — in short, robust support for healthcare providers in delivering high-quality patient care.

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In this quadrant, ISG evaluates providers that offer electronic health record (EHR) implementation services to healthcare providers. These services encompass the strategic planning, technical expertise and practical support needed to integrate EHR systems seamlessly into healthcare organizations.

The process involves assessing healthcare providers' operational workflows and regulatory requirements and carefully selecting and customizing EHR platforms tailored to their specific needs. Covering data migration and system configuration to comprehensive training and ongoing support, these services ensure that healthcare professionals can efficiently adopt and leverage EHRs to enhance patient care, streamline administrative processes and comply with industry standards.

Ultimately, the effective delivery of EHR implementation services drives digital transformation across the healthcare industry, fostering improved clinical outcomes and operational efficiencies.

#### **Eligibility** Criteria

- Have an in-depth understanding of the operations and unique challenges of the healthcare industry, including a familiarity with regulations such as HIPAA and GDPR
- 2. Possess advanced technical expertise in EHR software,

encompassing the development of intellectual property assets, strategic partnerships, installation, customization, integration and ongoing support

 Ability to tailor EHR systems/ platforms to the specific needs of a healthcare facility and in alignment with its processes and objectives, with the capability to scale the system in the future as an organization grows or new technologies emerge

- Ability to integrate nextgeneration technologies such as AI, ML, IoT and analytics to enhance the functionalities and effectiveness of an EHR system that has the capabilities and methodologies for data migration, thus ensuring data integrity and security
- Has a team of experts with the relevant skills to implement and support advanced technologies, including data analytics, GenAI and cybersecurity components, to

ensure the security, scalability and accessibility of an EHR system — in short, **robust support** for healthcare providers in delivering high-quality patient care

Offer robust post-implementation support, including troubleshooting and system updates

#### Key characteristics of the proprietary framework:

- Encapsulates what enterprises are doing across the Healthcare market and helps connect them to the digital solutions
- · Represents the entire value chain of supply and demand within the market
- Inner tiles represent themes of enterprise objectives
- Outer tiles represent initiatives
- Behind each outer tile is a specific set of capabilities, with unique market leading providers and solutions



As a part of this ISG Provider Lens<sup>™</sup> quadrant 2024 study, we are introducing the following five quadrants on Healthcare Digital Services:

Quadrants	Brazil	U.S.
Payer Transformation — Public	✓	~
Payer Transformation — Private	~	~
Provider Transformation — ERP	✓	~
Provider Transformation — RCM	✓	~
Provider Transformation — EHR	✓	~



The research phase falls in the period between July and August 2024, during which survey, evaluation, analysis and validation will take place. The results will be presented to the media in November 2024.

Milestones	Beginning	End
Survey Launch	July 24, 2024	
Survey Phase	July 24, 2024	August 21, 2028
Sneak Preview	November 2024	December 2024
Press Release & Publication	December 2024	

Collecting client testimonials via the Star of Excellence<sup>™</sup> Program requires early client referrals (no official reference needed) because CX scores have a direct influence on the provider's position in the IPL quadrant and the awards.

Please refer to the link to view/download the ISG Provider Lens™ 2024 research agenda.

#### **Access to Online Portal**

You can view/download the questionnaire from <u>here</u> using the credentials you have already created or refer to instructions provided in the invitation email to generate a new password. We look forward to your participation!

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The global survey is all about services that are associated with IPL studies. In consequence, all ISG Analysts will be continuously provided with information on the customer experience of all relevant service providers. This information comes on top of existing first-hand advisor feedback that IPL leverages in context of its practitioner-led consulting approach. Providers are invited to <u>nominate</u> their clients to participate. Once the nomination has been submitted, ISG sends out a mail confirmation to both sides. It is self-evident that ISG anonymizes all customer data and does not share it with third parties.

It is our vision that the Star of Excellence™ will be recognized as the leading industry recognition for client service excellence and serve as the benchmark for measuring client sentiments.

To ensure your selected clients complete the feedback for your nominated engagement please use the Client nomination section on the Star of Excellence<sup>™</sup> <u>website</u>.

We have set up an email where you can direct any questions or provide comments. This email will be checked daily, please allow up to 24 hours for a reply.

Here is the email address: ISG.star@isg-one.com



#### **ISG Star of Excellence**

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The ISG Provider Lens 2024 – Healthcare Digital Services study analyzes the relevant software vendors/service providers in the global market, based on a multi-phased research and analysis process, and positions these providers based on the ISG Research methodology.

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#### Advisor Involvement - Program Description

#### ISG Provider Lens Advisors Involvement Program

ISG Provider Lens offers market assessments incorporating practitioner insights, reflecting regional focus and independent research. ISG ensures advisor involvement in each study to cover the appropriate market details aligned to the respective service lines/technology trends, service provider presence and enterprise context.

In each region, ISG has expert thought leaders and respected advisors who know the provider portfolios and offerings as well as enterprise requirements and market trends. On average, three advisors participate as part of each study's quality and consistency review team (QCRT). The QCRT ensures each study reflects ISG advisors' experience in the field, which complements the primary and secondary research the analysts conduct. ISG advisors participate in each study as part of the QCRT group and contribute at different levels depending on their availability and expertise.

#### The QCRT advisors:

- Help define and validate quadrants and questionnaires,
- Advise on service provider inclusion, participate in briefing calls,
- Give their perspectives on service provider ratings and review report drafts.

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Avvale	Cigniti*	DGS Brasil	FCamara
Axway	Cisco Systems	DXC Technology*	Firstsource*
Ayko Technology	CitiusTech*	Embratel	Folks
BCI Consulting	Claranet	Emids*	FPT
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GS Lab   GAVS*	Infosys*	Mphasis*	Philips Healthcare
Guidehouse	Innova Solutions	MPL	Pixeon
HARMAN*	Intmed Software	Munai	Planium
HCLTech*	Intuitive Care	NEORIS	PwC*
Health Catalyst (HCAT)	IQVIA*	NeuralMed	Qualirede
HealthBit	ITC Infotech	New Vision	Quantiphi*
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