



The Wisconsin Statewide Health Information Network, or WISHIN, says it has

the basic building blocks in place and expects to begin adding hospitals to its information network this year. The network eventually will give doctors and other health care providers secure access to such things as patients' medical histories, prescriptions, allergies and test results. The goal is to help doctors make better decisions, improve the coordination of care and reduce repeat tests. WISHIN Chief Executive Officer Joe Kachelski says there isn't a date set yet to launch the network but it is very close to going live.