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The process of selecting Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) is scheduled to be completed this week. Please refer to the communication last week for more detail about SMEs, or the new [SME Q&A document](#) posted in the Q&A page on the EHR intranet site.

May continues to be a month devoted to further refinement of preparatory tasks as we move into phase two of our project. The core team continues the journey toward Epic certification with many projects and exams being successfully completed.

The clinical and revenue teams have all moved into their new home and are settling in nicely at the East Campus Corporate Pavilion (ECCP) in the Mutual of Omaha Bank building. Work also continues to set up the technical environment with anticipation of installing our non-production Epic system by June 14. The technical team is very focused on this task.

The Epic team, including their application managers, will be on site in June to introduce the full Epic team, as well as observe our workflows and collect information to formulate a basis for system design. The Model System is the basis for workflow design. The dates and focus include:

- June 7-9: Applications of Clindoc, Stork, Orders, ASAP, Willow, Hospital Billing, Professional Billing, Cadence and ADT
- June 15 and 16: Applications of Ambulatory EMR, HIM, and Op Time/Anesthesia

To round out June planning, Epic will return for what they call validation trip one on June 28 – 30. Goals of this visit are the following:

- Provide an integrated demonstration of the Model System to the core team and the SMEs.
- SMEs will observe and critique (validate) workflows presented by Epic.
- SMEs will begin the approval process for workflows.
- Evaluate portions of the system that need continued work.

There will be two additional validation trips over the summer - one in July and one in August.

To assist you in better understanding Epic’s implementation process and approach, a document from Epic titled [Flight Plan Itinerary](#) has been placed in the [News](#) section of the EHR site. I highly recommend you review this easy-to-read summary.

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