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During my residency, I worked on a Native American reservation. Using an old Apple computer, I built a database to track those who had been immunized. When I arrived at Kaiser Permanente, it was natural for me to continue to work in this area with Patient Follow-up Service, a powerful tool used for tracking high-risk patients.

Over the years, I led more technology projects, such as the Clinical Information Presentation System and the Clinical Data Repository.

Becoming a leader in the implementation of KP HealthConnect was the culmination of all this work, although we are still exploring new ways to use the system for specific types of

patient care applications. I am thrilled that we have 5,500 physicians using it, and over 20,000 trained users.

During the rollout of KP HealthConnect, I was humbled by my colleagues' ability to adapt to difficult change. I have a tremendous, hard-working, and creative team. Although they realized that learning a new system would not be easy, they knew it would improve the way we care for patients, and they embraced it.

In what other organization could I combine my clinical practice with my passion for technology? I am completely energized by what we do and love the technology we develop.

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Since the 1970's, Steve Bornstein, MD has recognized the power of computing to improve patient care. As a staff physician for the Indian Health Service, he developed a database to track patient immunizations. He later joined TPMG, where his enthusiasm for medicine and computing flourished.

Dr. Bornstein chaired the Chiefs for Information Systems group in 1995. He later became the first Chair of the APICs for Technology.

His leadership continued with the development of the Clinical Information Presentation System and the Clinical Data Repository, for which he received the TPMG Exceptional Contribution Award in 2003.

In the same year, Dr. Bornstein and his team began work on the ambulatory portion of KP HealthConnect. The rollout was the largest and fastest in medical history.