GENOMICS-ENABLED LEARNING HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS: GATHERING AND USING GENOMIC INFORMATION TO IMPROVE PATIENT CARE AND RESEARCH

# TRANSLATION OF GENOMICS FOR PATIENT CARE AND RESEARCH – PATIENT'S PERSPECTIVE

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Over 500,000 consumers have directly purchased DNA testing services; no evidence of psychological harm, and some positive behavior changes<sup>5</sup>

In January 2014, nearly one-third of all US smartphone owners (46 million unique people) used fitness and health apps<sup>2</sup>

High percentage of US consumers want to control their health information, but roughly half believe they currently have very little control<sup>4</sup>

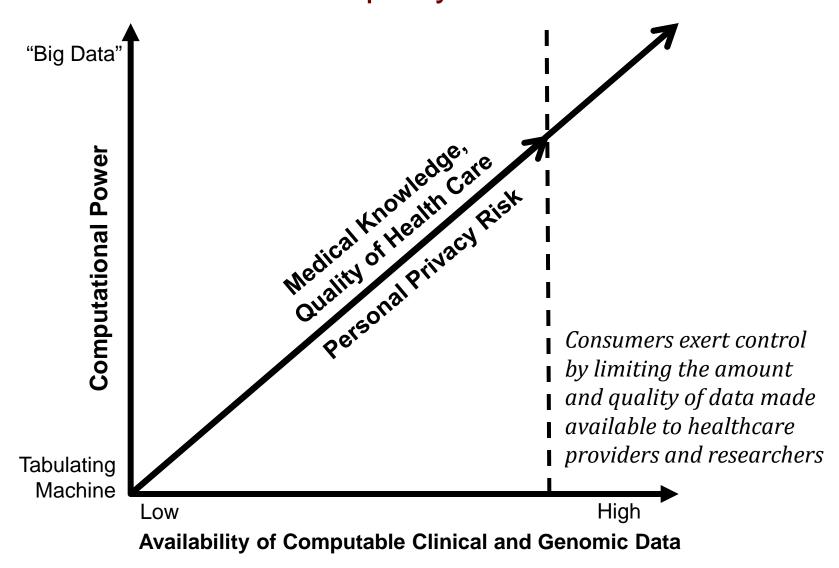
Today's Health Care Consumer

High percentage of consumers are concerned about the privacy and security of their medical information<sup>3</sup>

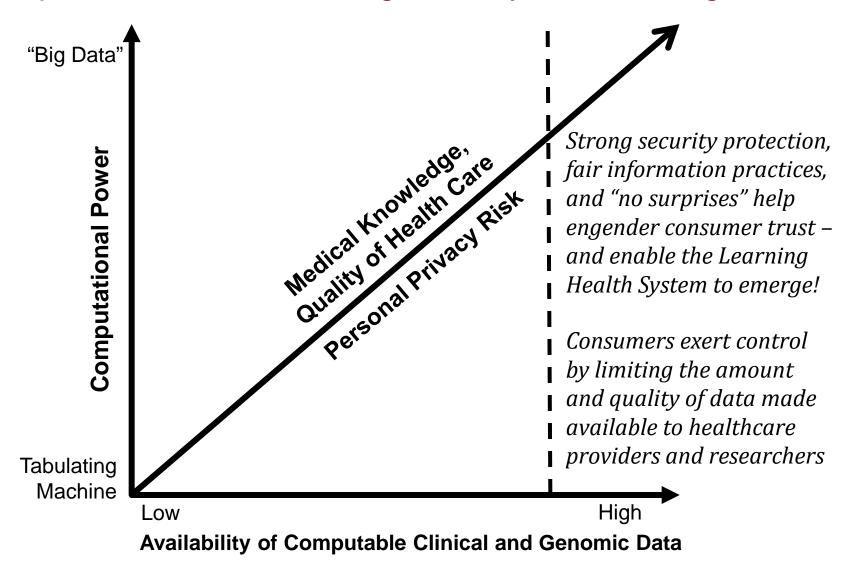
Consumers willingly contribute their data and biological samples to medical research – when their permission is sought<sup>6</sup> – security, transparency, control and "no surprises" are key!

<sup>1</sup>Tilenius, S. *Forbes*. 9/8/2013. <sup>2</sup> Nielson. 4/16/2014. <sup>3</sup> Patel, V. Office of the National Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services. Nov 4, 2014. <sup>4</sup> Accenture. 2014 Patient Engagement Survey. May 14, 2014. <sup>5</sup> Green, R. and N. Farahany. The FDA is overcautious on consumer genomics. *Nature*. Jan 16, 2014. <sup>6</sup> Tarini, B.A., et al. Not without my permission: Parents' willingness to permit use of newborn screening samples for research. *Public Health Genomics*. 2009.

# Distrusting consumers can hinder scientific advancement and care quality



### Strong security protection, fair information practices, and "No Surprises" enable the learning health system to emerge



#### Risk to Personal Privacy

- DNA is inherently unique to the individual, rendering it the ideal "biometric identifier" – one of the 18 data elements of identifiability defined by HIPAA
- Even without a name or phenotype linkage, DNA includes many clues for narrowing the identity possibilities (e.g., presence/absence of Y chromosome reduces possibilities by around 50%)
- Genomic data are everywhere! DNA can be obtained from objects as ubiquitous as Starbuck's coffee cups
- Access to an individual's DNA poses a substantial privacy risk for both the individual and blood relatives (who most likely did not consent)
- Accelerating advances in genetic and "big data" technologies challenge the presumption that <u>any</u> health data can be "de-identified"

# Genetic Alliance: Empowering Consumers to Help Meet the Research Challenge



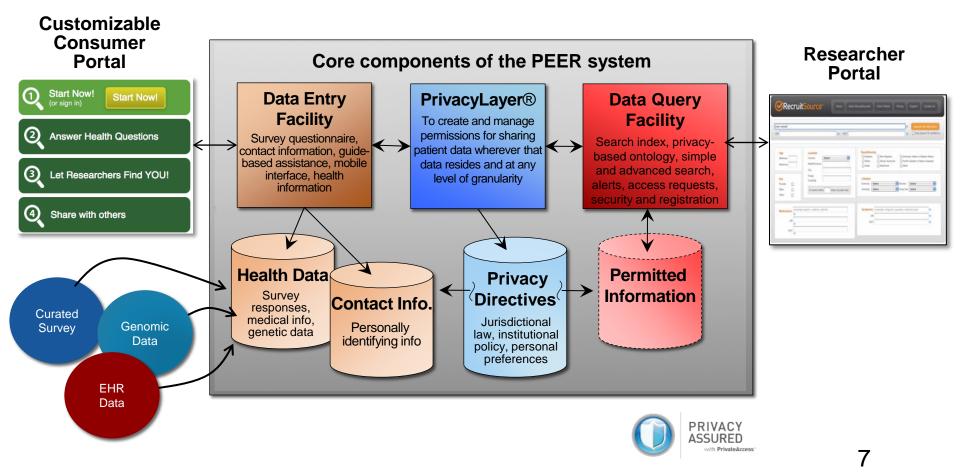
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- Access to personal data to help advance biomedical research is most effectively enabled by gaining the <u>trust and</u> <u>engagement of the individuals</u> to whom the data pertain
  - Through the use of powerful consent-management tools developed by Private Access, Genetic Alliance has developed a truly <u>participant-centric research platform</u> that enables individuals to make their health information available to researchers under their own terms
- This highly flexible and customizable platform is called Platform for Engaging Everyone Responsibly (PEER)

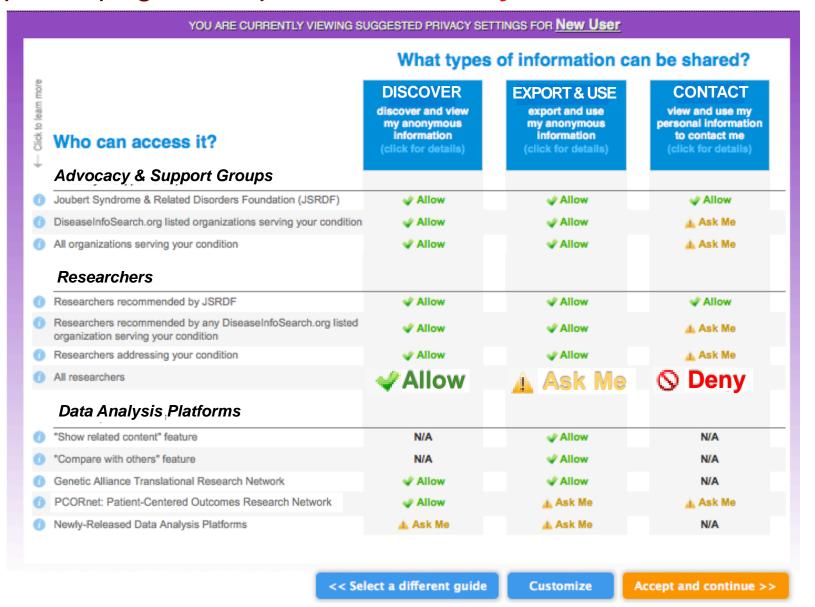


#### PEER Logical Components and External Interfaces

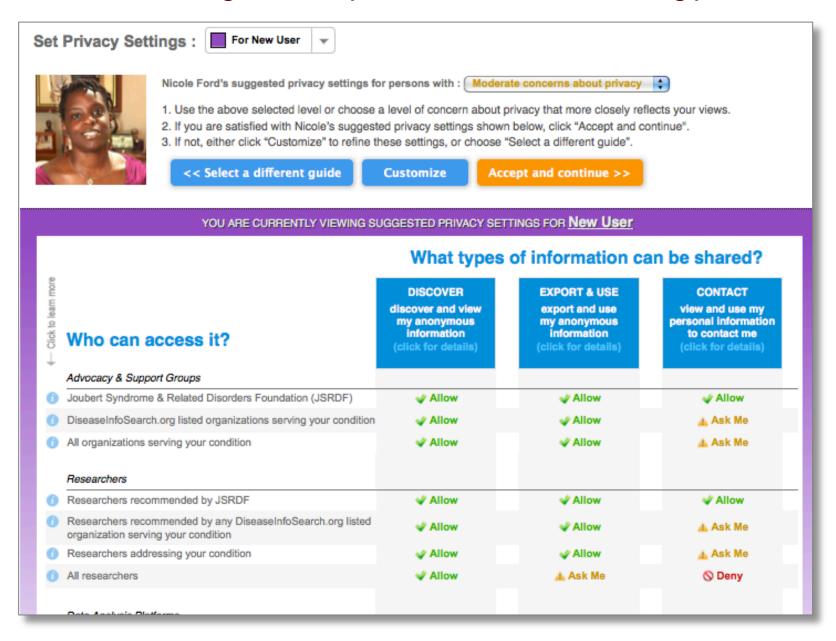
PEER provides tools to customize the consumer portal and the researcher portal, including selection of guides and curation of questions, along with administrative tools to help host organizations manage their PEER site



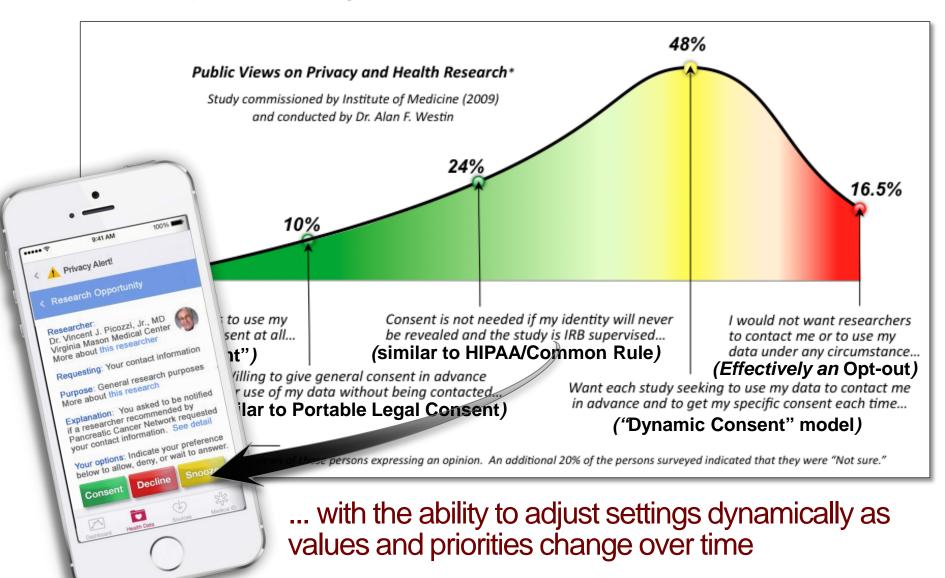
### Participants establish their own sharing preferences based on simple "stop-light" metaphor – **Allow**, **Deny** or **Ask Me**



#### Consumer-selected "guides" help individuals set their sharing preferences



### PEER enables the expression of the full spectrum of personal views about privacy and sharing of health information



# Customizable PEER Entry Points Are Easily Embedded into Any Web Site



PEER / PEER Mobile

EXAMPLES: <a href="https://www.reg4all.org">https://www.free-the-data.org</a>,

https://www.trialsfinder.org, http://sicklecellwarriors.com,

http://www.umdf.org/site/c.8qKOJ0MvF7LUG/b.9135169/k.D604/Registry.htm

RESEARCHER PORTAL: https://www.recruitsource.com/Pages/Home.aspx

#### For More Information

- Genetic Alliance PEER
  - http://www.geneticalliance.org/programs/biotrust/peer
- Community Engaged Network for All (CENA) Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Patient Powered Research Network (PPRN)
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