Patient Access API

The following applies to all Taro Health plans

The 21st Century Cures Act and the CMS Patient Access API

The 21st Century Cures Act was signed into law in December 2016 and is intended to give patients and their healthcare providers secure access to health information, to improve interoperability between health information systems and increase patient access to their own health data. This law also empowers the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to create regulations to further this goal, which it did with the creation of the CMS Interoperability and Patient Access final rule (CMS-9115-F). In order to increase patients' access to their health data, the rule prohibits information blocking and requires health insurance plans to give members access and the ability to share their health plan data via an API endpoint with third-party applications of their choice.

What does this mean for you?

What this set of regulations means is that Taro Health must make available all of your claims and clinical data contained in their systems via an API endpoint, where you can share this data with third-party applications of your choosing.

API implementation details

Our API follows the standard API interoperability standards for endpoints and data models.

For implementation reference, please refer to:
- United States Core Data for Interoperability (USCDI) Version 1.0.0 and Version 3.0.0
- HL7 FHIR Release 4.0.1
- HL7 FHIR US Core IG STU 3.1.1
- HL7 SMART APP Launch Framework IG 1.0.0
- Open ID Connect Core 1.0

For Patient Access API credentials, please reach out to api_access@tarohealth.com.

Data privacy and security

Your privacy is very important to us and we will make every reasonable effort to safeguard any information we collect. Your data will never be shared without your express permission.

However, it is important to understand that once your data is shared with a 3rd party application (eg. via the Patient Access API), Taro Health is no longer responsible for the security of that data. This is why it is important to read the privacy and security policies for any application you choose to share your data with, to ensure you understand how it is protected and used by that specific, non-Taro Health application.

If you believe a non-Taro Health application that you've shared your data with is misusing that information in violation of their stated privacy policy, contact the Federal Trade Commission to investigate the matter by going to ReportFraud.ftc.gov or calling (877)-382-4357.

If you believe the privacy of your health care data has been violated by a non-Taro Health Application, contact the FTC and file a complaint at: https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/#/assistant