Taking OpenEMR, a GPL EMR to ARRA Meaningful Use Certification and Beyond

Reference sites:

- www.oemr.org - our official web home page
- openmedsoftware.org - our project wiki, access to online demo and all lots more
- sourceforge.net/projects/openemr/ - the code lives here (CVS master)
- github.com/openemr/openemr - public git master updated every 30 mins
The Goal

- Certified before the 2011 Incentives are available
- Why? You may Ask.
  - M/U Guidelines Provided Focus
  - M/U items were good for all (not just USA)
  - Test Plans provided
The Team

- Community Users and Developers
- Open Source Medical Software Board
- OpenEMR Support Vendors
- Hired Contractors
- Industry Advisors
- Samuel Bowen, MD
The Beginning

- Hired a pile of contractors to work on large, identified gap items
- Choose a formal process: SPRINT
- Advocates lobbied gov't and others
- Got to cranking code
Traffic on forums at all time high (#37 on SF one week)

Struggles with branching/code merge and test

Formal project management is hard

Money runs low...

Enthusiasm is VERY high!
The End … ?

- ~80% code complete on all M/U items
- Clean up and release a pre-certified version
- Start testing certification scripts and clean up
- Raise money to pay for certification process
- Release Certified Version and management plan
Backup Info and Links

- www.openmedsoftware.org/wiki/OpenEMR_Certification
- Health and Human Services - Standards & Certification
  - healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt?
    open=512&objID=1153&mode=2
- ONC Initiatives
  - healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt?
    open=512&objID=1497&parentname=CommunityPage&parentid=1&mode=2&in_hi_userid=10741&cached=true
- NIST Test Scripts
  - xw2k.nist.gov/healthcare/use_testing/index.html
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