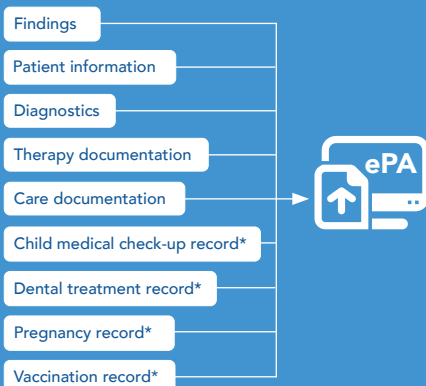


### Interface – electronic patient file (ePA)

Extensively digitally networked.  
For the future of health care.

#### Advantages at a glance

- Completely digitised process
- Automatic transfer of already existing metadata
- Transfer of rights and authorisation from the HIS
- Transparency of medical information
- Simplification of processes
- Data security
- Seamless integration into existing telematics infrastructure
- Simple administration



\* in the digital HIS

*"The aim of the ePA is to comprehensively network the German health care system, both between different medical specialists or pharmacies and between doctors, pharmacies and patients. Many work steps that were previously carried out manually or in paper form can be digitised and thus simplified by the ePA."*

(Source: gematik GmbH: [www.gematik.de/anwendungen/e-patientenakte](http://www.gematik.de/anwendungen/e-patientenakte))

**On 1 January 2021, a central electronic patient file (ePA) was introduced as part of the telematics infrastructure in Germany.**

The ePA is provided by the health insurance funds and can be filled with data by service providers, the health insurance fund and the patient. The patient has full control over all data within their ePA. Hospitals are obliged to transfer medical data of the current treatment to the ePA if requested by the patient. The HYDMedia G6 Interface "electronic patient file" serves as a bridge between local clinical information systems and the electronic patient file. From 2021, hospitals will be obliged to enter the patient's data

into their ePA at the patient's request. If hospitals neglect to provide digital files in the ePA, penalties are defined from 2022 for files not provided in the ePA (see Fig: State compensation model).

The interaction of the HYDMedia G6 Interface "electronic patient file" and the digital HIS completes the digital patient file. HYDMedia G6 seamlessly integrates information and documents that are not available to the HIS without media discontinuity.

Uploading a document to the ePA in the HYDMedia G6 WebClient

Setting up the telematics infrastructure in the HYDMedia G6 WebClient

Type	Art	Beschreibung	Datum	Quelle/Art	Autor	Freigegeben
Protokoll	Einweisung	Einweisung zum	14.02.2021	Leitungsbefehl	Dr. med. Müller	Klinikum
Protokoll	Einweisung	Einweisung zum	14.02.2021	Leitungsbefehl	Dr. med. Müller	Klinikum
Protokoll	Einweisung	Einweisung zum	14.02.2021	Leitungsbefehl	Dr. med. Müller	Klinikum

Display of the ePA in the HYDMedia G6 WebClient

## The economic aspect State compensation model

Service	Fee
Consultation flat rate for initial filling with medical treatment data limited to 2021 [Section 346 (3) and (5) SGB V in conjunction with Section 5 (3g) (new) of the German Hospital Fees Act (KHEntgG)]	€ 10.00
For each full or partial inpatient case for which data is stored in the electronic patient file [Section 4 SGB V in conjunction with Section 5 (3g) (new) KHEntgG]	€ 5.00
There is a legal obligation to implement the ePA (and thus to connect to the TI) as of 1 January 2021. A deduction of 1% on each full and partial case of inpatient treatment is envisaged for hospitals that are not yet using the ePA by 1 January 2022. In a statement to the DKG, the German Ministry of Health (BMG) rules out retroactive sanctions for hospitals which, building on the TI connection from 2020 (with the applications of VSDM, NFD, etc.), equip themselves to use the ePA in the course of 2021. Nevertheless, hospitals should start creating the conditions for the transfer of data to the ePA as early as possible.	—

Source: Implementation instructions of the German Hospital Federation (DKG) for the electronic patient file according to Section 341 of the German Social Security Code (SGB) V

## A look into the future Expansion steps of the ePA

2021	2022	2023
Provision of the electronic patient file, authorisation at facility level (access by hospitals), electronic doctor's letters, eMP, NFD and general medical data	Authorisation at document level, additional structured documents such as vaccination record, pregnancy record, child medical check-up record, dental treatment record	Complete electronic patient file (all information scanned or digital) Other document types, e.g. care documentation, electronic incapacity to work reports

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