comparison of paper-based and electronic medical records Variable % completion of items P-value Paper records e-records (z-test)

Table 2 Combined data on completeness of recorded items in initial and follow-up dental forms at 7 primary care units in Alexandria:

	Average	Min.–Max.	Average	Min.–Max.	
Initial forms					
Administrative data	99.1	94.6–100.0	100.0	100.0	< 0.001
Gum/dental examination	81.8	68.0-90.0	73.0	26.0-100.0	0.061
Physician identification	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	> 0 999

riivsiciaii identiiication Follow-up forms Administrative data 64.4 50.0-84.0 72.8 44.0-90.0 0.016 Diagnosis/treatment 96.2 91.0-100.0 81.0 27.0-100.0 0.004

Physician identification 73.1 Min.-Max. = minimum - maximum range among study units. n = number of records examined.

(n = 350)

50.0-88.0

100.0

100.0

(n = 350)

< 0.001