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# Transforming our Hospitals: Clinician-driven Operations Management

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# Commonwealth Fund National Scorecard

## COUNTRY RANKINGS

Top 2\*

Middle

Bottom 2\*



	AUS	CAN	FRA	GER	NETH	NZ	NOR	SWE	SWIZ	UK	US
<b>OVERALL RANKING (2013)</b>	4	10	9	5	5	7	7	3	2	1	11
<b>Quality Care</b>	2	9	8	7	5	4	11	10	3	1	5
Effective Care	4	7	9	6	5	2	11	10	8	1	3
Safe Care	3	10	2	6	7	9	11	5	4	1	7
Coordinated Care	4	8	9	10	5	2	7	11	3	1	6
Patient-Centered Care	5	8	10	7	3	6	11	9	2	1	4
<b>Access</b>	8	9	11	2	4	7	6	4	2	1	9
Cost-Related Problem	9	5	10	4	8	6	3	1	7	1	11
Timeliness of Care	6	11	10	4	2	7	8	9	1	3	5
<b>Efficiency</b>	4	10	8	9	7	3	4	2	6	1	11
<b>Equity</b>	5	9	7	4	8	10	6	1	2	2	11
<b>Healthy Lives</b>	4	8	1	7	5	9	6	2	3	10	11
<b>Health Expenditures/Capita, 2011**</b>	<b>\$3,800</b>	<b>\$4,522</b>	<b>\$4,118</b>	<b>\$4,495</b>	<b>\$5,099</b>	<b>\$3,182</b>	<b>\$5,669</b>	<b>\$3,925</b>	<b>\$5,643</b>	<b>\$3,405</b>	<b>\$8,508</b>

Notes: \* Includes ties. \*\* Expenditures shown in \$US PPP (purchasing power parity); Australian \$ data are from 2010.

Source: Calculated by The Commonwealth Fund based on 2011 International Health Policy Survey of Sicker Adults; 2012 International Health Policy Survey of Primary Care Physicians; 2013 International Health Policy Survey; Commonwealth Fund *National Scorecard 2011*; World Health Organization; and Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, *OECD Health Data, 2013* (Paris: OECD, Nov. 2013).

The extensive empirical analysis underpinning this book shows that there has been **relatively little fundamental change in Canadian health-care policy over the past four decades.**

This intransigence – the result of the interaction of ideas, interests, and institutions – has resulted in a paradigm freeze.

Without some sort of insurmountable disruptive force, either a major shift in medical science or technology, or a catastrophic economic or political crisis, **fundamental health policy reform in Canada is unlikely.**

As Pogo once reminded us, **“We have met the enemy, and he is us”**

Paradigm Freeze: Why it is so hard to reform health-care policy in Canada

Harvey Lazar, John N. Lavis, Pierre-Gerlier Forest, and John Church  
McGill-Queen’s University Press, 2013

# Healthcare Transformation



- ~~Government~~
- Organization
- Individuals



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## Problem Statement

### Value-Based Hospital:

- Patient-Centric
- End-to-End Management
- Value-Based Funding, focusing on outcomes (↑Quality and ↓Cost)

## Value-Based Hospital



**Hospital Transformation is a clinical transformation, and not only an administrative or IT project**

## Hospital Transformation



### Volume-Based Hospital:

- Provider-Centric
- Silo Management
- Volume-Based Funding (Fee-for-Service)

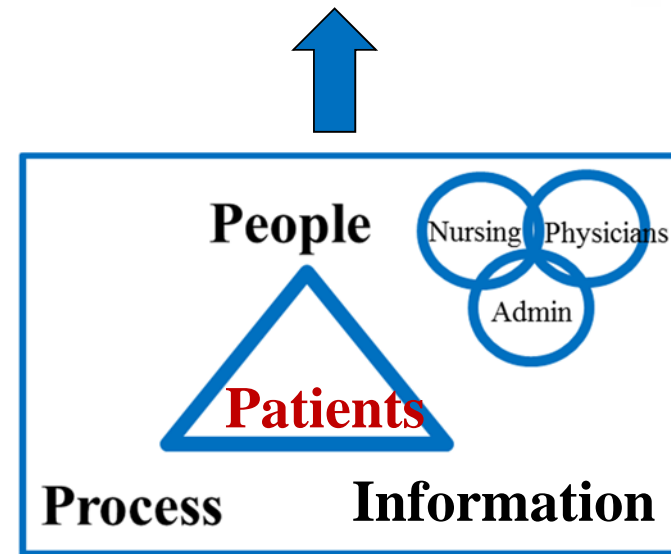
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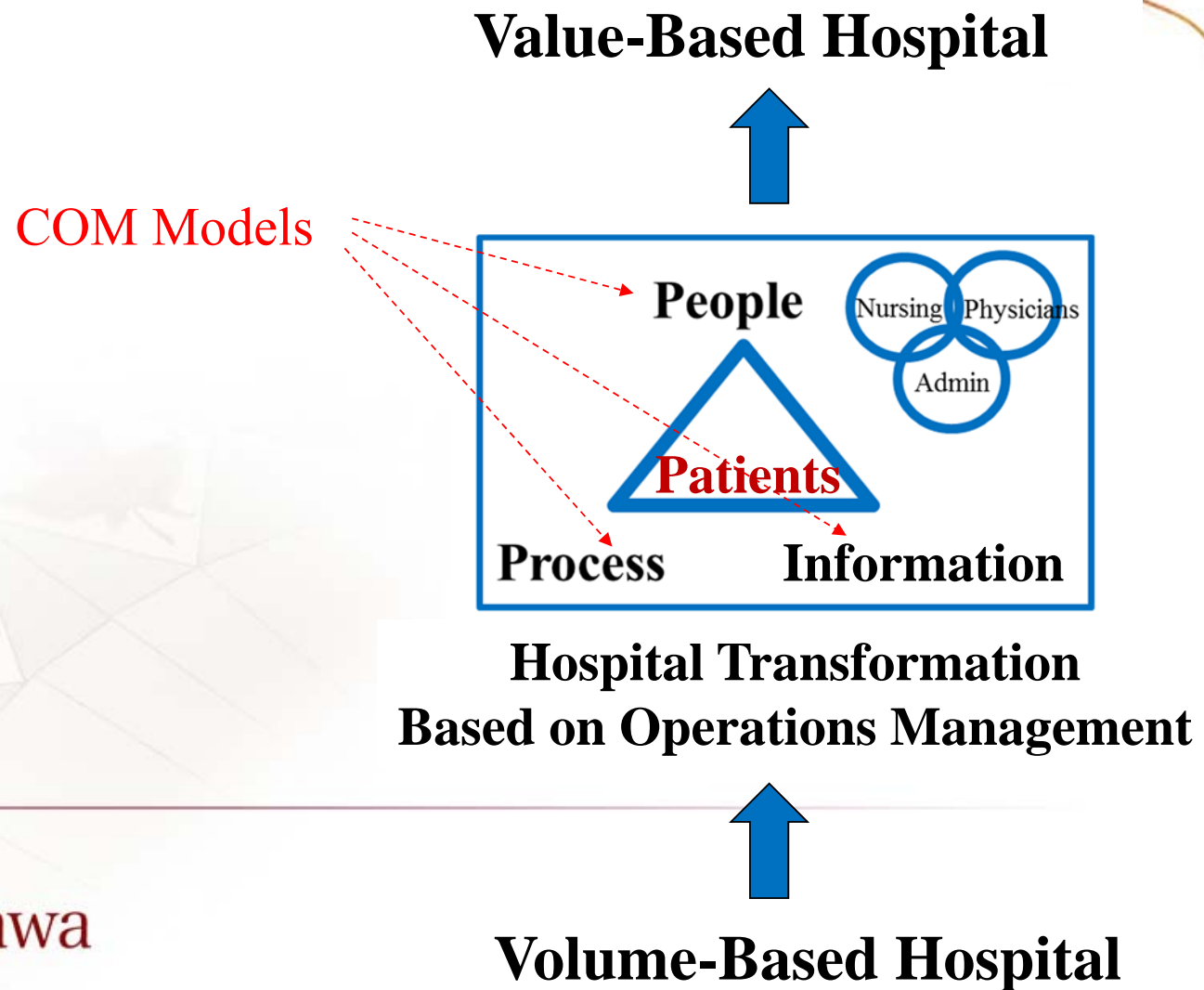
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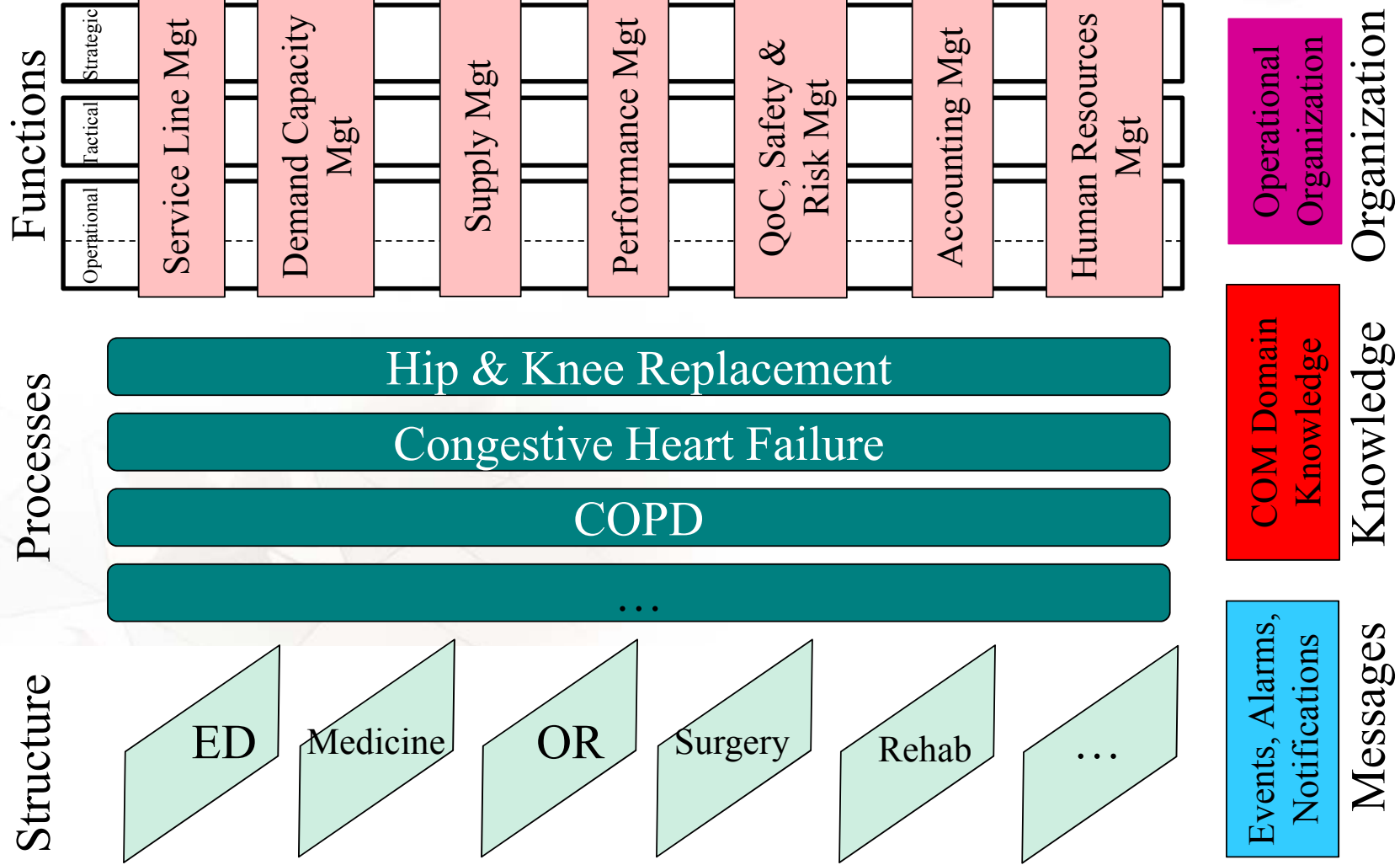
# Model-Based Clinical Operations Management



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# COM Models – Enterprise Architecture Diagram

Optimization, Simulation, Decision Analysis Engineering





# COM Functions



COMF	Service Line Management	Demand Capacity Management	Performance Management	Quality of Care, Safety, and Risk Management	Supply Management	Accounting Management	Human Resources Management
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Tactical (3-6 months)	Groups						
Operational - offline (1-4 weeks)	Individuals						
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## Some COM Functions for Emergency Department

- Strategic
  - Regional coverage
  - Ambulance districting
  - Capacity dimensioning: wait rooms, treatment rooms, emergency wards, staffing
- Tactical
  - ED layout
  - Patient routing: Triage, Fast-Track, CDU, High-Acuity wards
  - Admission control/smoothing
  - Physician scheduling
  - Nursing scheduling
- Off-line Operational
  - Nursing staffing
- On-line Operational
  - Ambulance dispatching & routing
  - Treatment planning & prioritization; medical directives
  - Patient tracking
  - Staff re-scheduling
  - Real-Time Demand Capacity
  - Surge protocol



## Some COM Functions for Peri-Op/Surgery



- Strategic
  - Service mix: e.g General Surgery, Orthopaedic, Urology, Ob/Gyn, Plastics, ENT
  - Case mix
  - Capacity dimensioning: e.g open 1 more OR in the Fall/Winter; create 4 additional beds in Surgery
- Tactical
  - Master Surgery Schedule for the Fall; Assignment of surgeons to OR blocks
  - OR and Surgery Nursing schedules for the Fall
  - Elective Surgery booking rules (admission control) for the Fall; Wait list management rules
- Off-line Operational
  - Elective Surgery case booking
  - Nursing staffing
- On-line Operational
  - Emergency surgery case booking
  - Elective surgery case re-booking
  - Staffing changes
  - Nurse-to-Patient assignment in Surgery
  - Bed allocation to Patient in Surgery
  - Transfer scheduling
  - Discharge Planning; Discharge roll-out
  - Real-Time Demand Capacity
  - Surge protocol

## Some COM Functions for Medicine

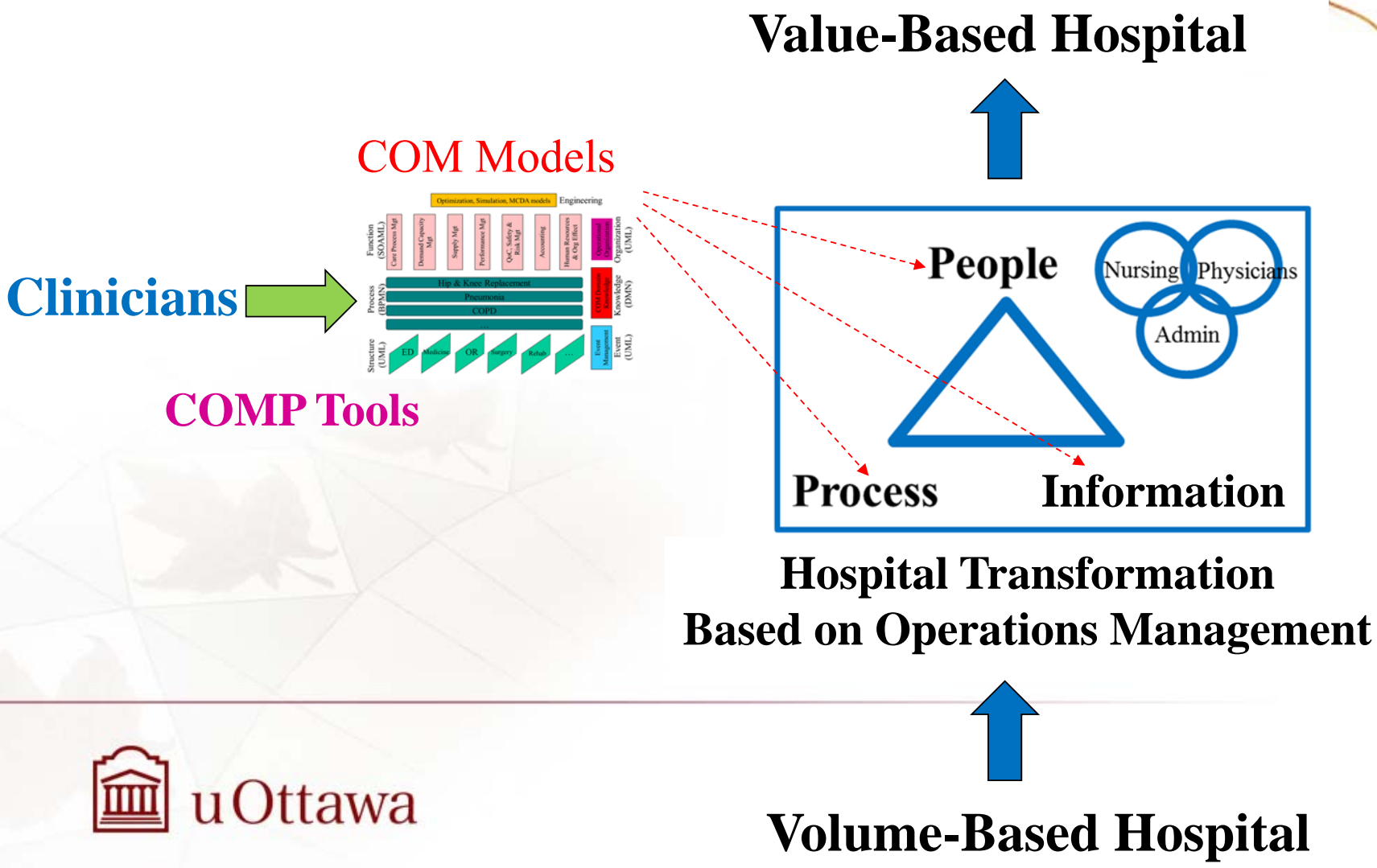


- **Strategic**
  - Service mix
  - Case mix
  - Ward partitioning: med/surg
  - Capacity dimensioning: beds, Physicians, Nurses, equipment
  - Ward layout, isolation rooms
- **Tactical**
  - Temporary bed capacity change for seasonality
  - Admission control: static bed reservation, dynamic bed reservation, off-servicing rules from one ward to another
  - Hospitalist scheduling
  - Nursing scheduling
- **Off-line Operational**
  - Elective admission booking
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- **On-line Operational**
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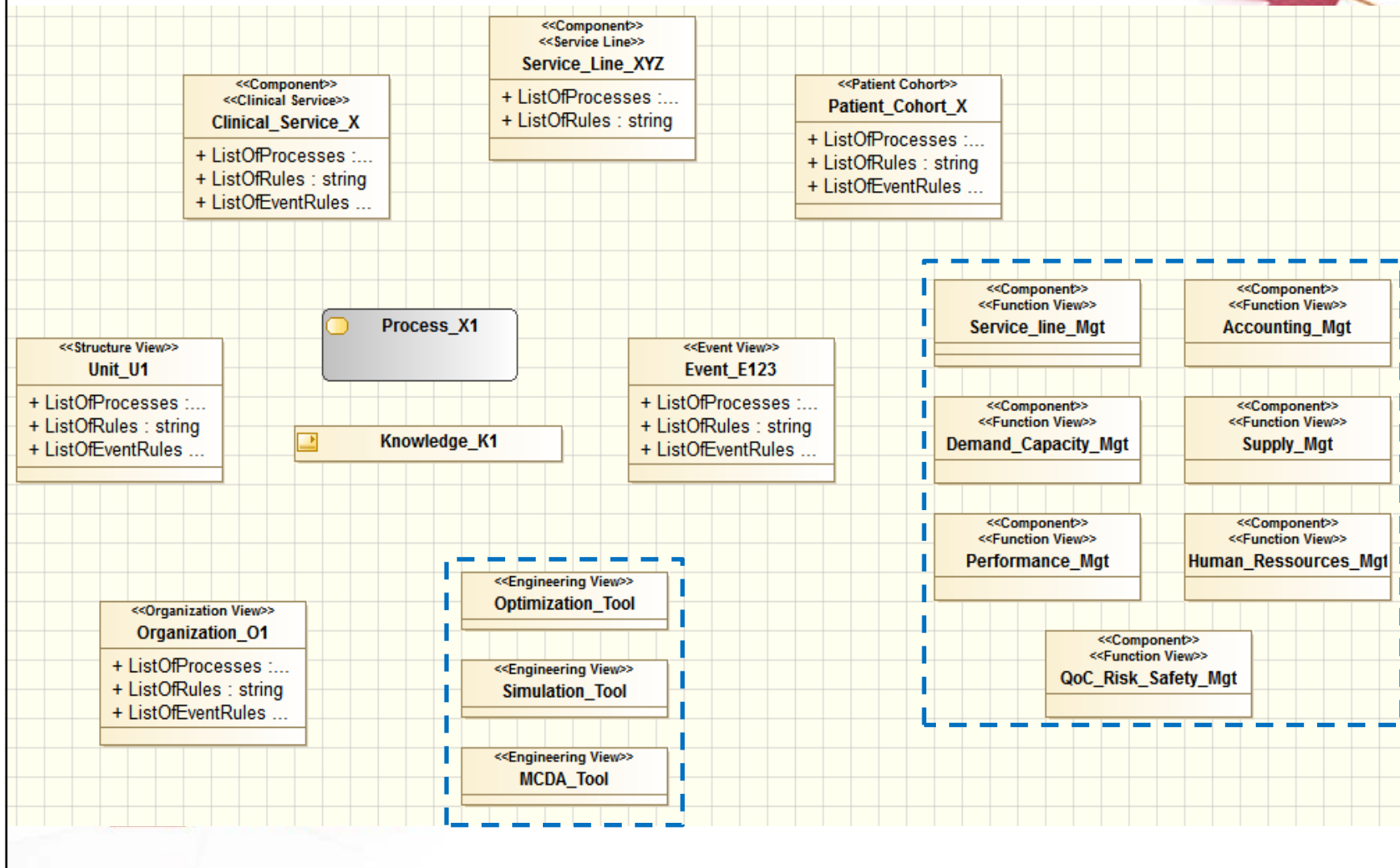




# COM Models driven by Clinicians



# COM Models – Example of Service Line Template



## At this stage, COM Models can be used for...



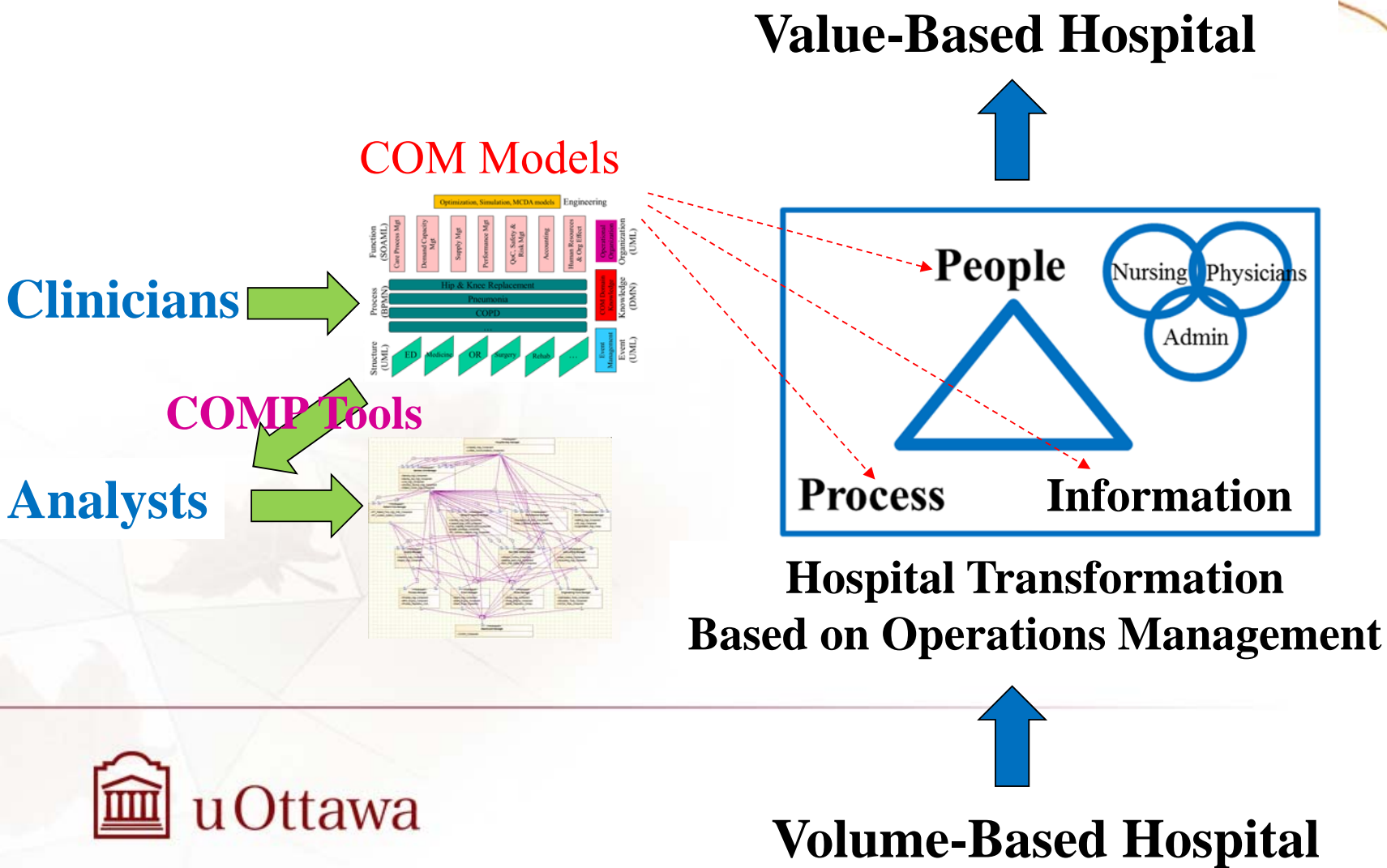
- Documenting the processes, the organization, and the information model, at the business level
- Ensuring that all business functions have been covered systematically, thoroughly, and are integrated
- Communicating the “Future” map, across the hospital

**But, the COM Models can also be refined and transformed further by Health Informatics Analysts ...**

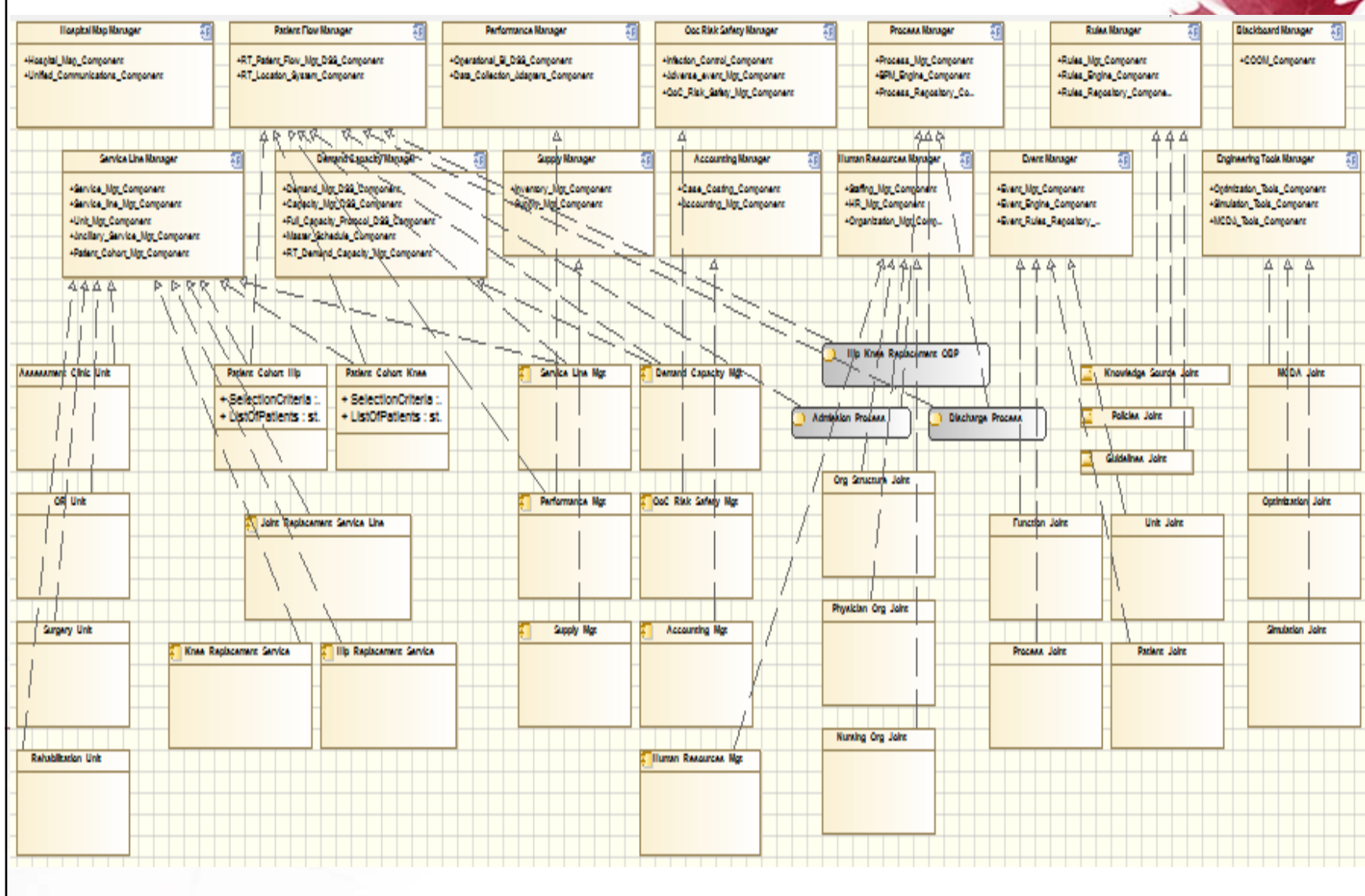


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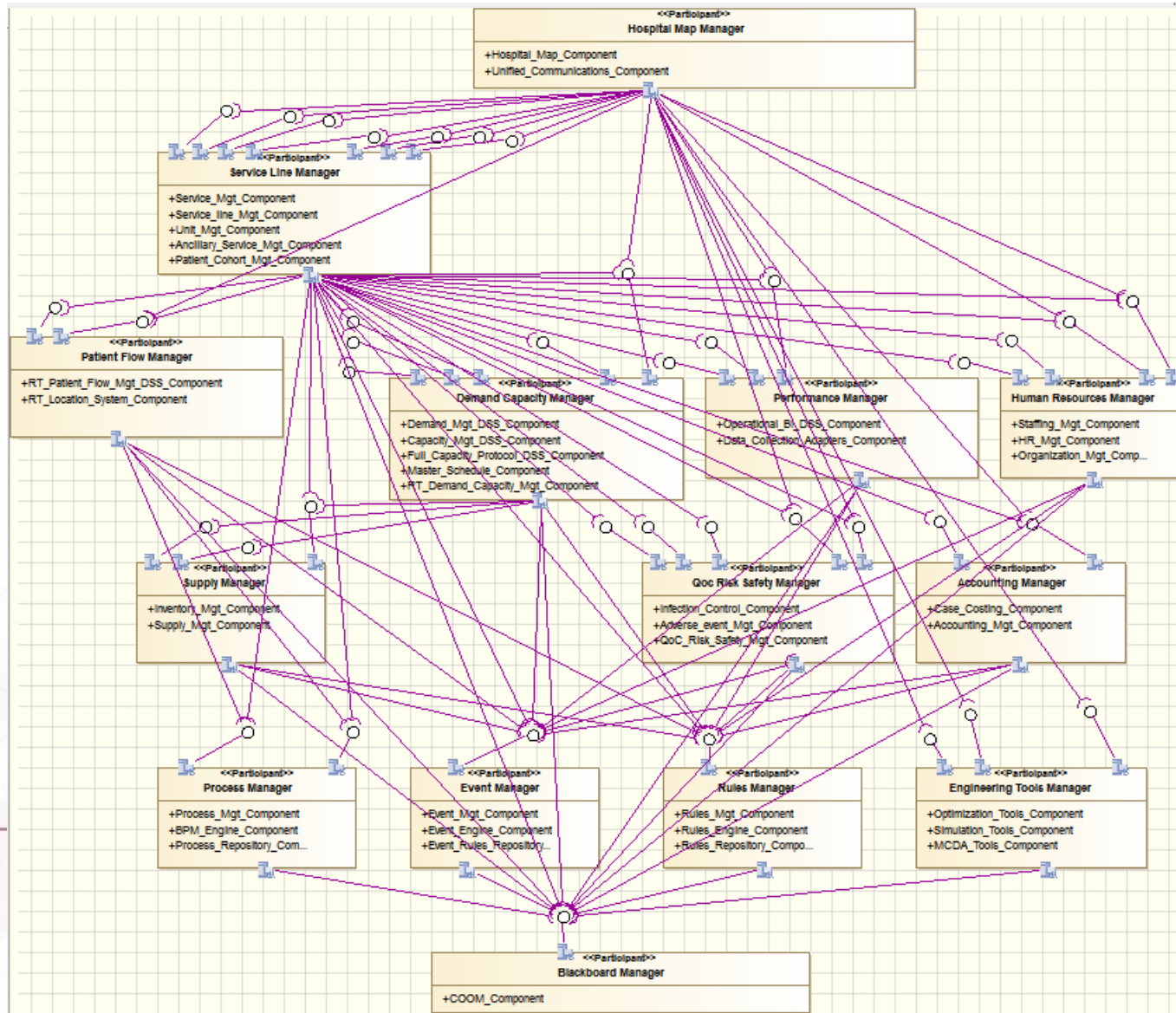
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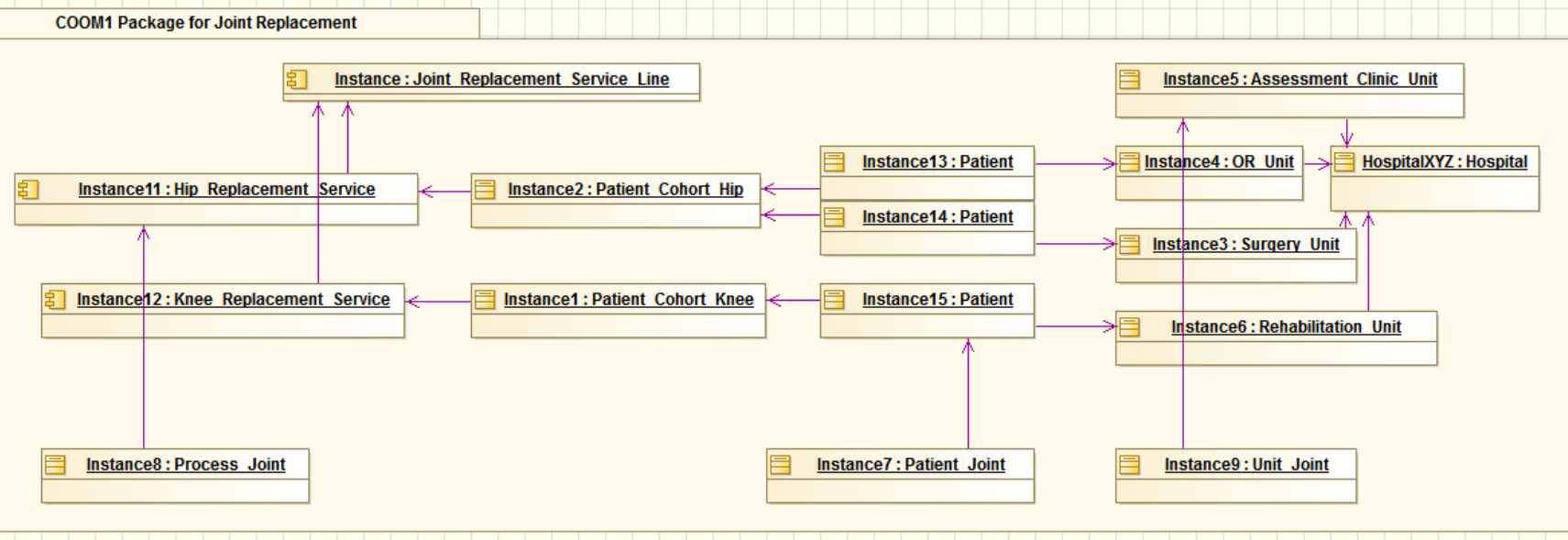
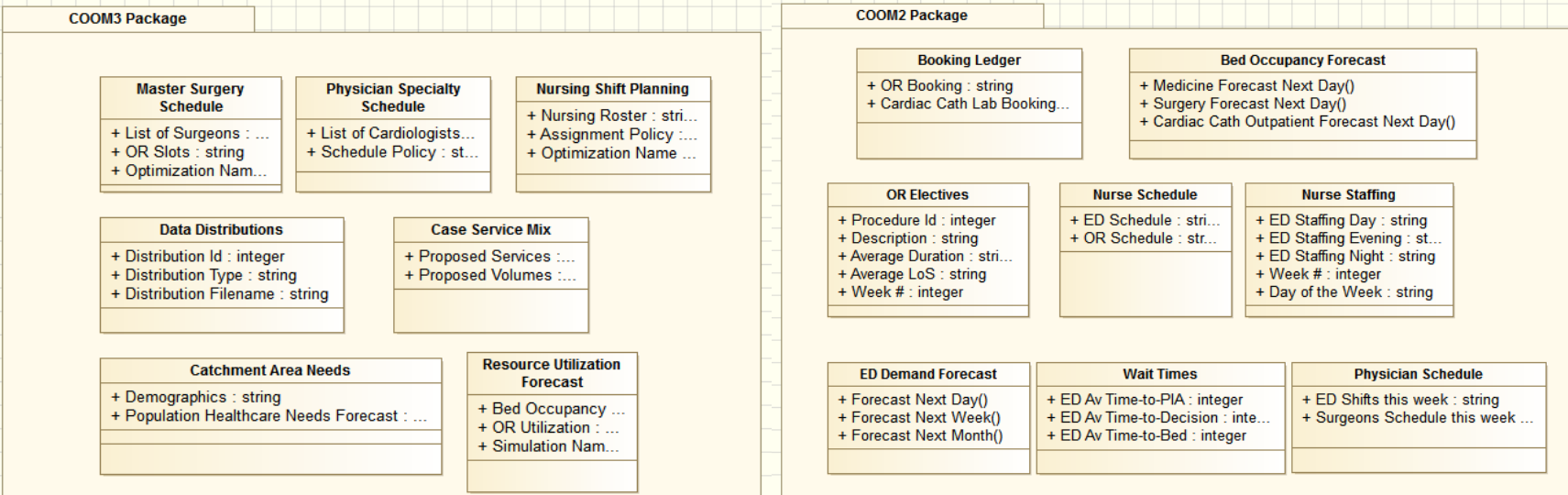
# Mapping from COM Models to SOAML Participants



# SOA Services between SOAML Participants

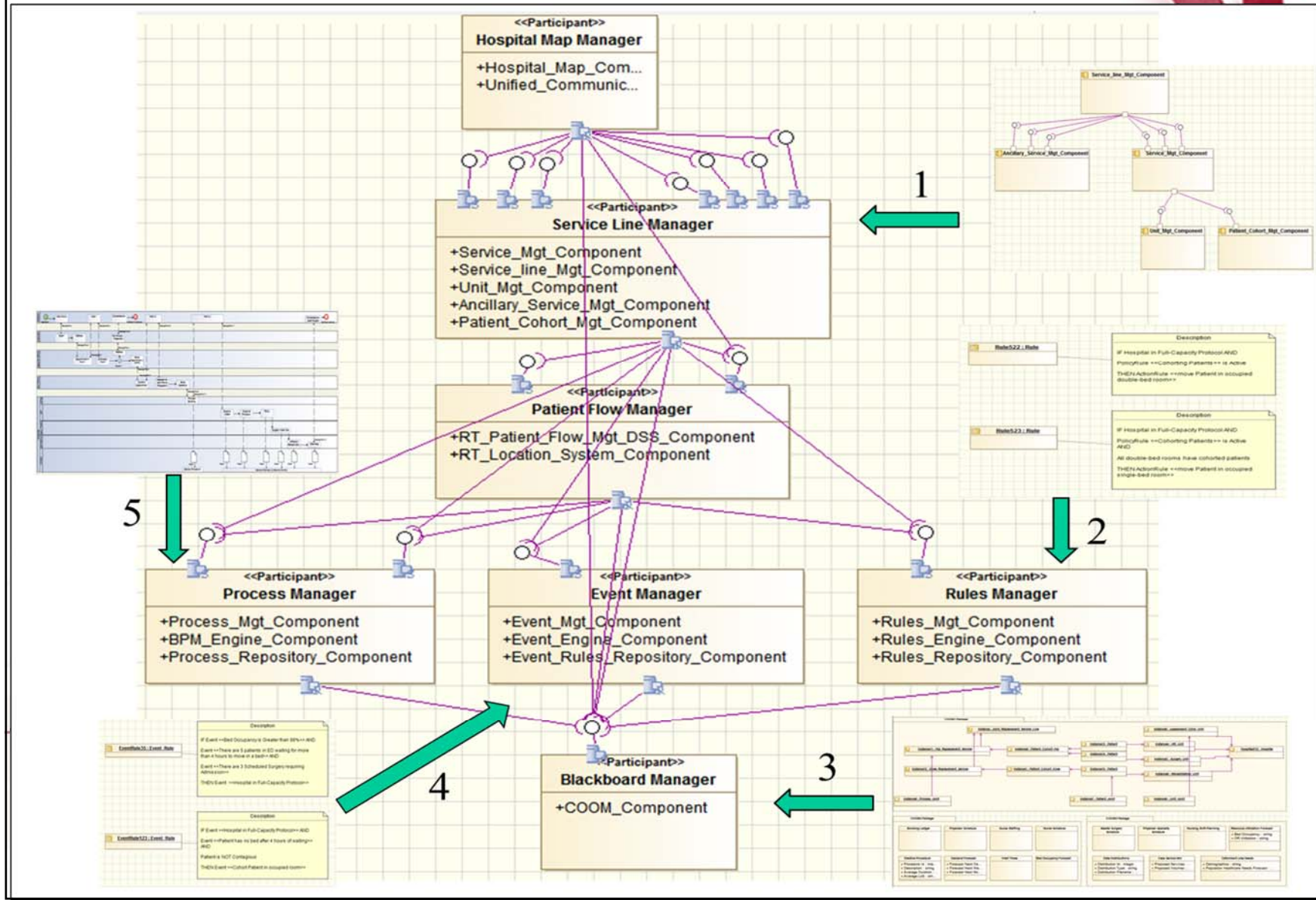


# COOM Modeling





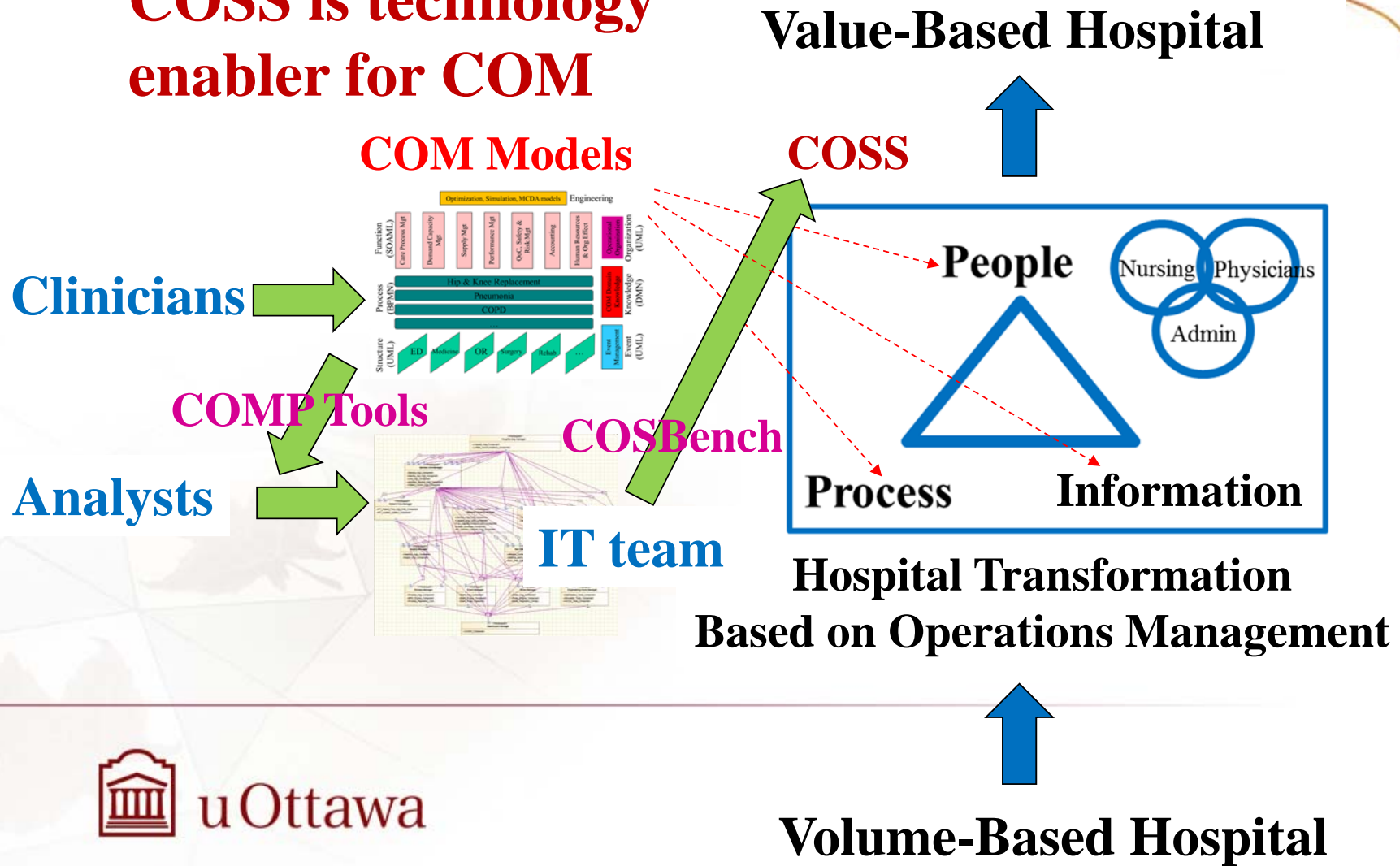
# Model Weaving



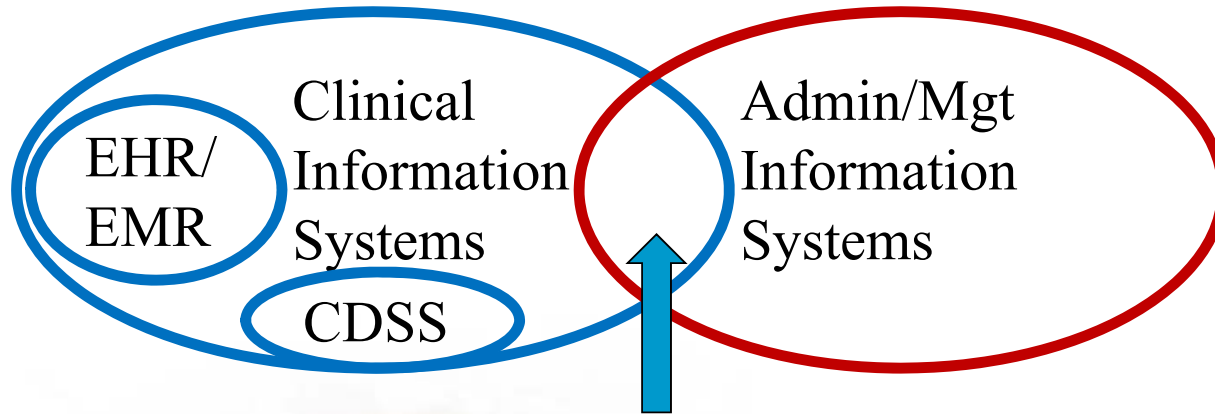


# Generation of a Clinical Operations Support System (COSS)

**COSS is technology enabler for COM**

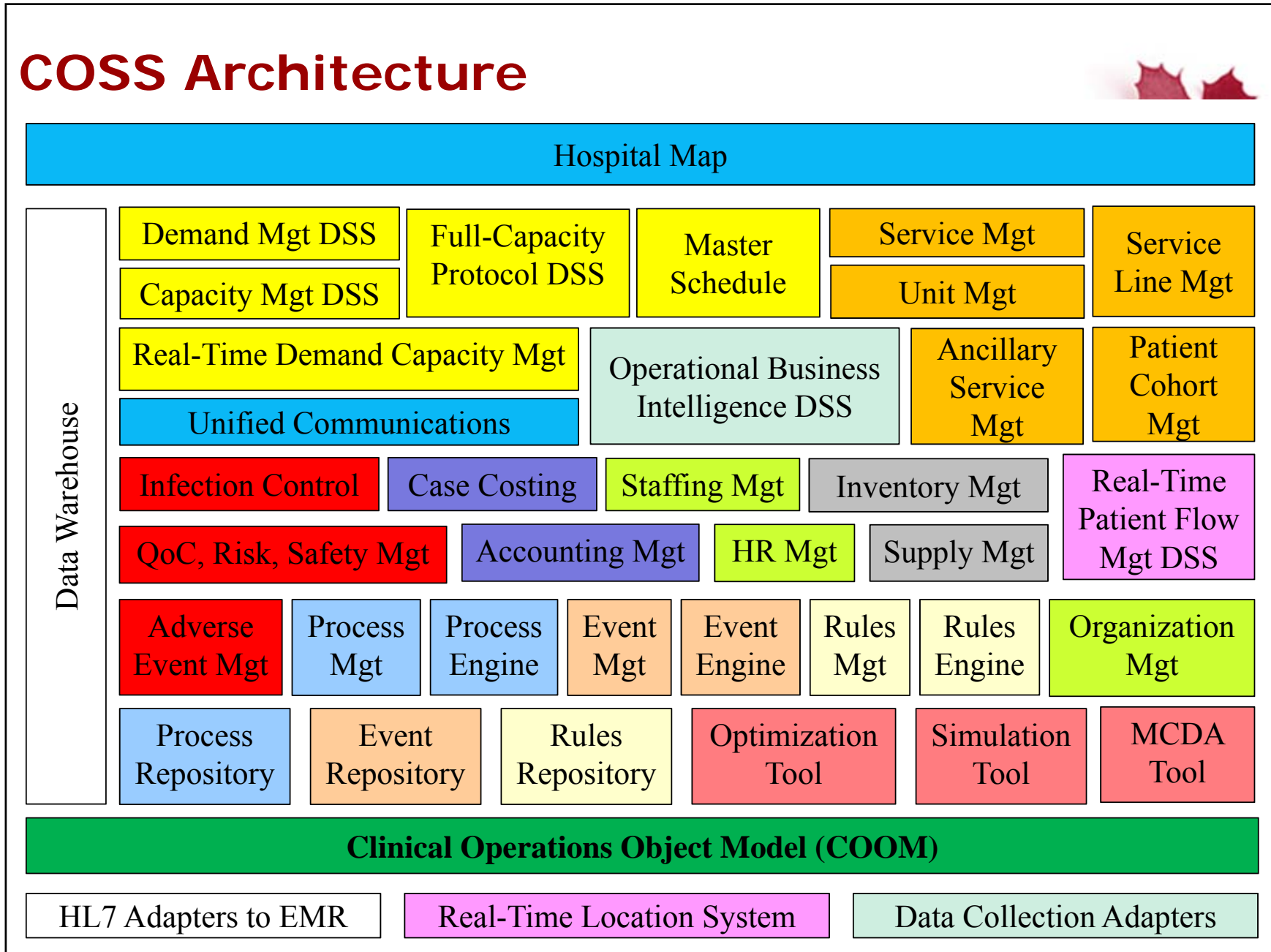


# COSS Positioning



Clinical Operations  
Support Systems

# COSS Architecture



## Vision of Clinical Operations Management Center

- Example of Thomas Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia
- Patient Flow Management Center equipped with Patient Flow Management System (supporting redesigned care processes and re-organization of Patient Flow Transformation)
- Real-time Clinical Operations Management



# Idea for a THTex Hospital Transformation EcoSystem



- Hospitals, willing to participate in pilot projects
  - Creation or Reorganization of hospital units into Service Lines or Centers of Clinical Excellence
- Universities, willing to do research and teaching in COM
  - Teaching of COM to Business, Medicine, Health Sciences students
  - Research in Advanced COM
- Non-Profit StartUps, willing to develop Open Source software
  - New business model for StartUps, for which there is a critical need in universal, public healthcare systems
- Provincial, Federal agencies, willing to fund Ecosystem
  - Crowd-funding
  - Ontario Chief Health Innovation Office, OCE, Champlain LHIN
  - CIHR, DND
  - US AHRQ, NIH

## Key Success Factors for Ecosystem



- Physician Engagement
  - “Unless Physicians see ourselves as part of the system, we will always wait for someone else to fix it”. UofT Faculty of Medicine magazine:  
<http://uoftmedmagazine.utoronto.ca/2017/winter/>
- Agile approach to bring innovations to patient bedside
  - Pragmatic Clinical Trial
  - Intrapreneuring
- ...



## Recap...

- Hospital Transformation is primarily a Clinical Transformation
- One way to achieve it is with Clinical Operations Management (People, Information, Process)
- Clinical Operations Management can be based on COM Models
- COM Models could be driven by Clinicians (with support from Health Informatics Analysts)
- COM Models lead to the generation of a Clinical Operations Support System, customized for the specific needs of the hospital in terms of processes, organization, and information
- COSS supports a real-time integrated management of the hospital operations. COSS complements and communicates with the hospital Electronic Health Record system; it does not replace it.
- An Ecosystem could be the incubator for such Hospital Transformation





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