

# Impact of SOA Initiatives on Business-IT Alignment and Business Agility

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# Intermountain Healthcare

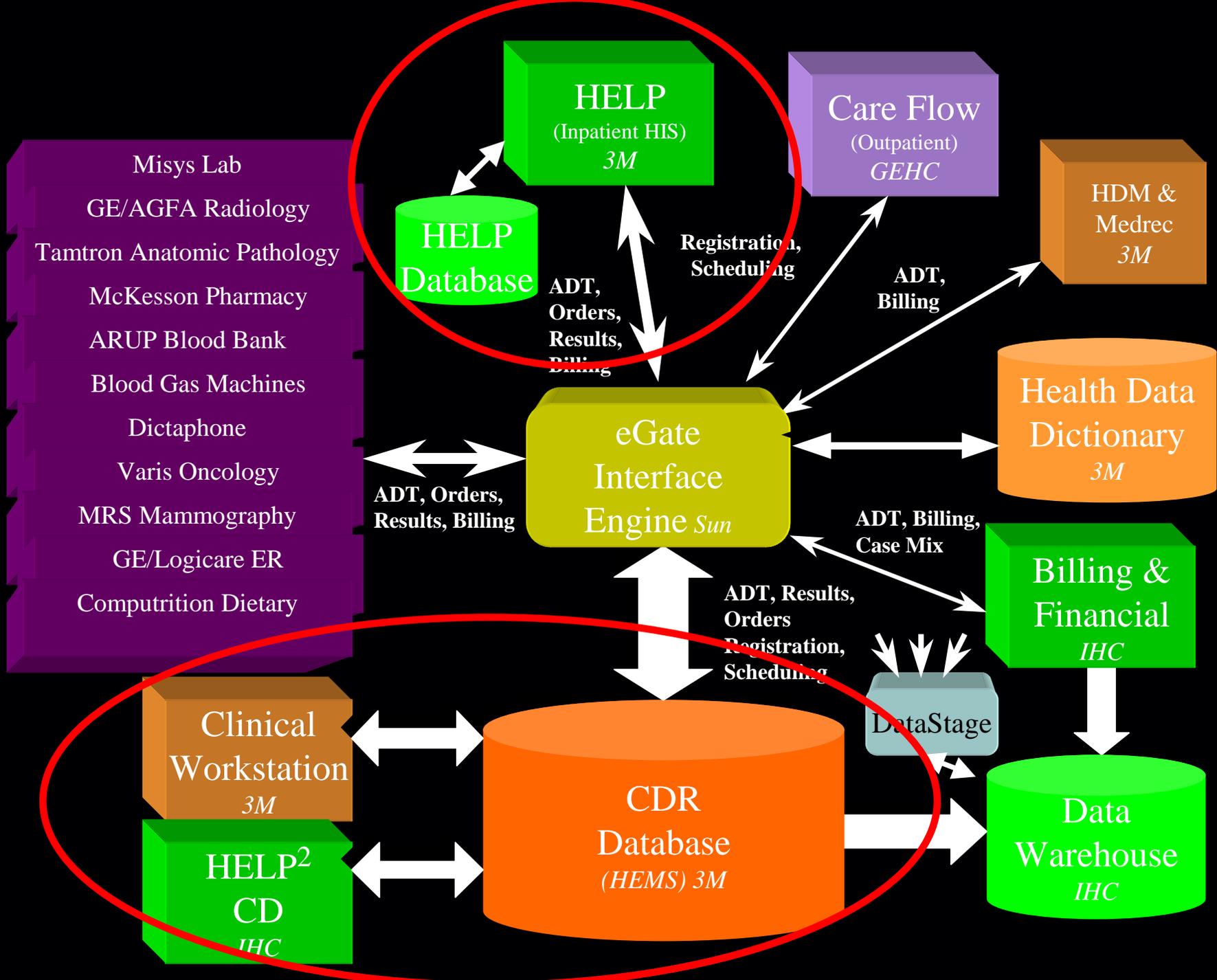
- Health Delivery Network, not-for-profit
- Serving Utah and Southern Idaho
- 21 Hospitals/ 2105 beds/150 Clinics
- Medical Group of 550 employed physicians
- Insurance plan of 500,000 covered lives
- \$85M/year charitable care exclusive of bad debt
- 27,000 employees
- Partner in the Utah Health Information Network

- Founded in 1975
- Based in Salt Lake City
- 21 hospitals:  
520 bed tertiary care,  
20 bed rural facilities
- More than 130 clinics in Utah and Southeastern Idaho
- Employs about 27,000, including 780 physicians;  
affiliated with another 2,500 physicians.
- Provides health insurance to more than 500,000  
through its insurance branch, SelectHealth.



# Information Systems Volumes

- Individuals with EHR 2M
- Inpatient admissions 120K/yr
- Ambulatory visits 5M/yr
- Point-to-point interfaces 800
- Clinical electronic transactions 2M/day
- Electronic medical record users 17K
- Affiliated, non-employed physicians  
with home or office EHR connectivity 500
- Community data sharing partners  
exchanging clinical information 2



# GE Alliance history

- February 2004 - Marc Probst recruited as new CIO replacing Carvel Whiting
- Build versus buy evaluation
- June 2005 Alliance agreement with GE
  - Enterprise Clinical Information System (ECIS) Development
  - Comprehensive next generation EMR/EHR system

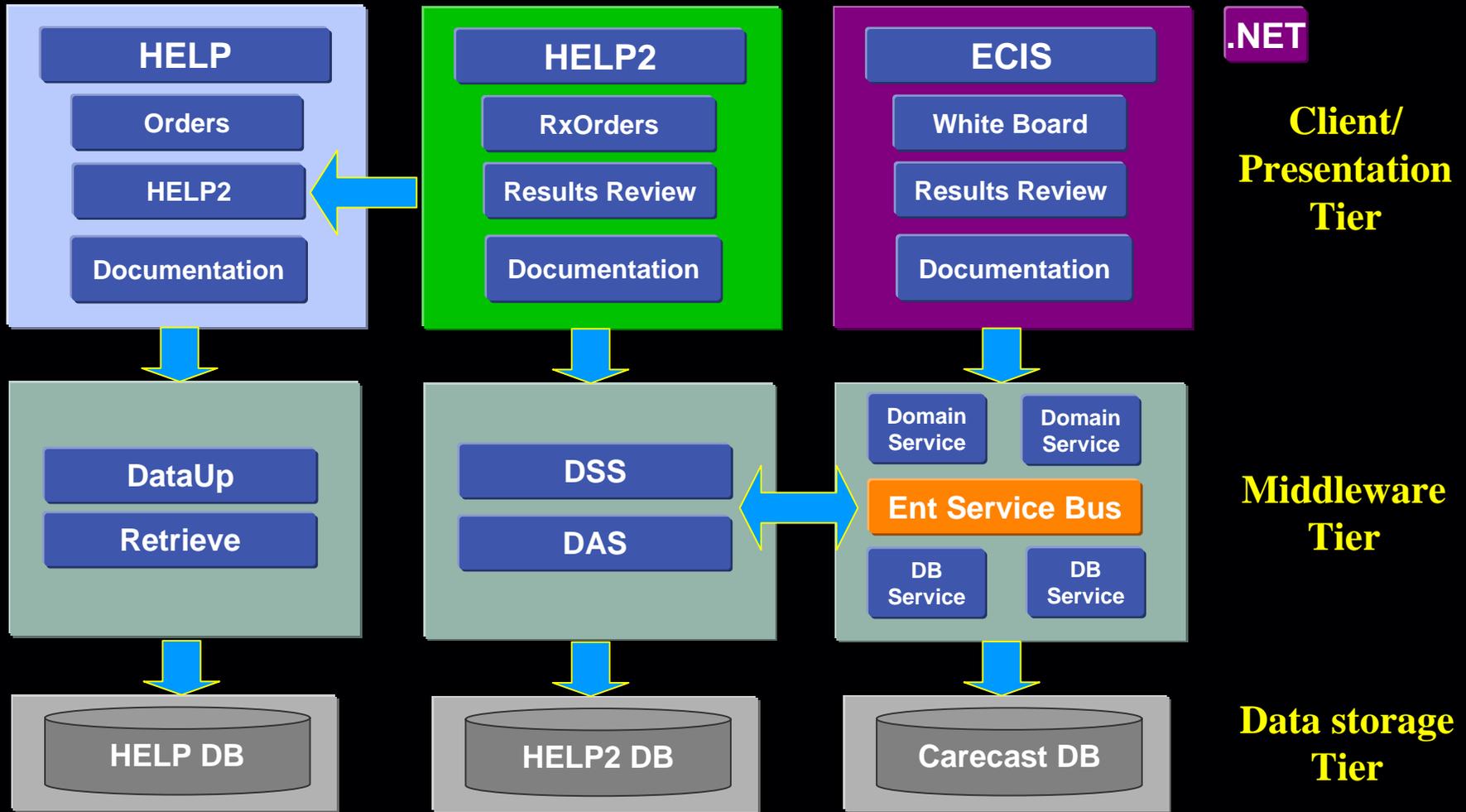
# Infrastructure Vision

- Rapid application development environment
- Dynamic workflow configuration
- Standard data models and terminology
- Decision support authoring and execution
- Knowledge asset management
  - Rules, alerts, protocols, reminders, reports
- End user preferences
  - Common lists, Hot text
- Service Oriented Architecture/Enterprise Service Bus

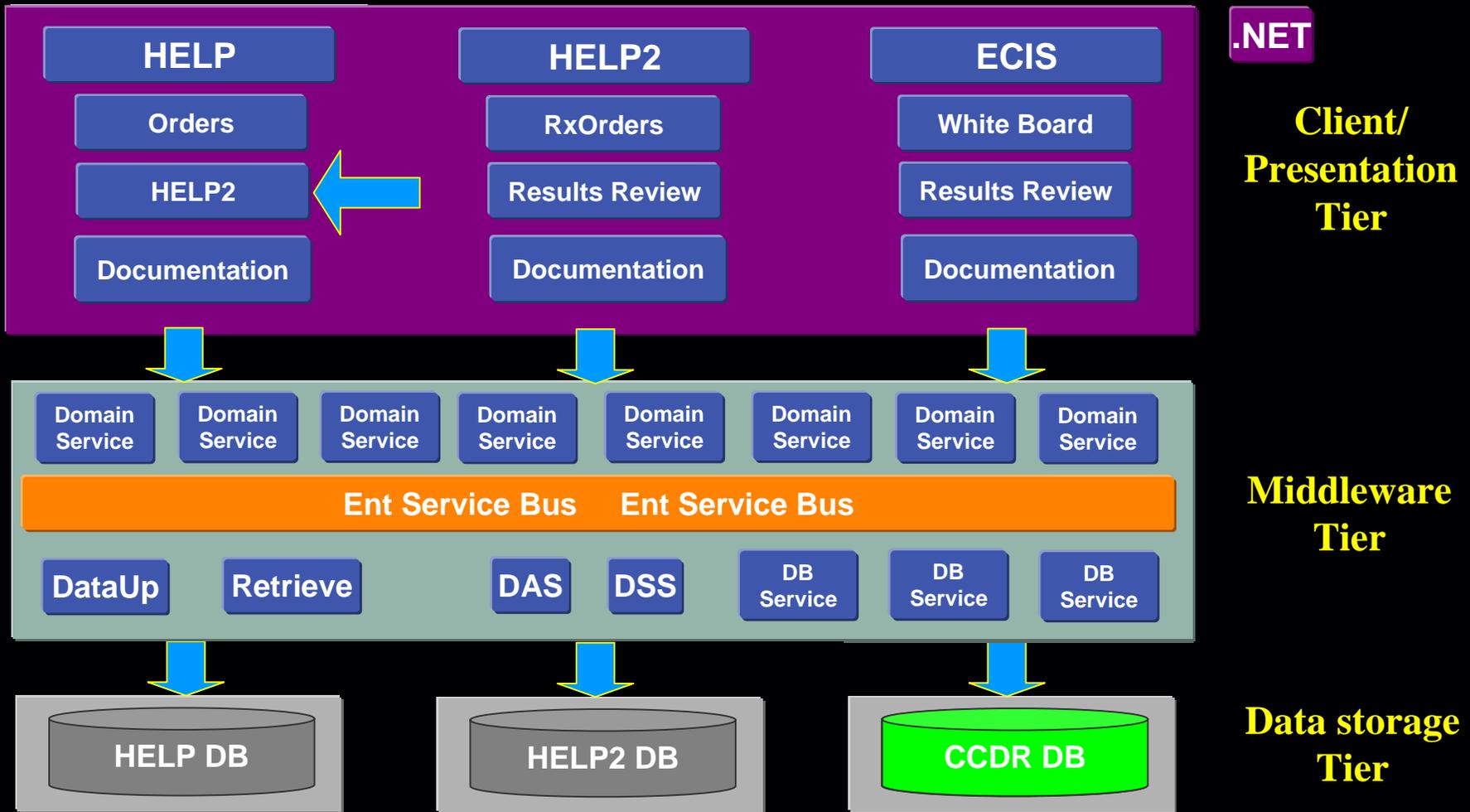
# Goals

- Transition existing clinical applications to ECIS
  - Decommission HELP and HELP2
  - Turn off redundant interfaces
- No “big bang” changes
- Keep training to a minimum
- As little downtime as possible
- Get new functionality to users ASAP

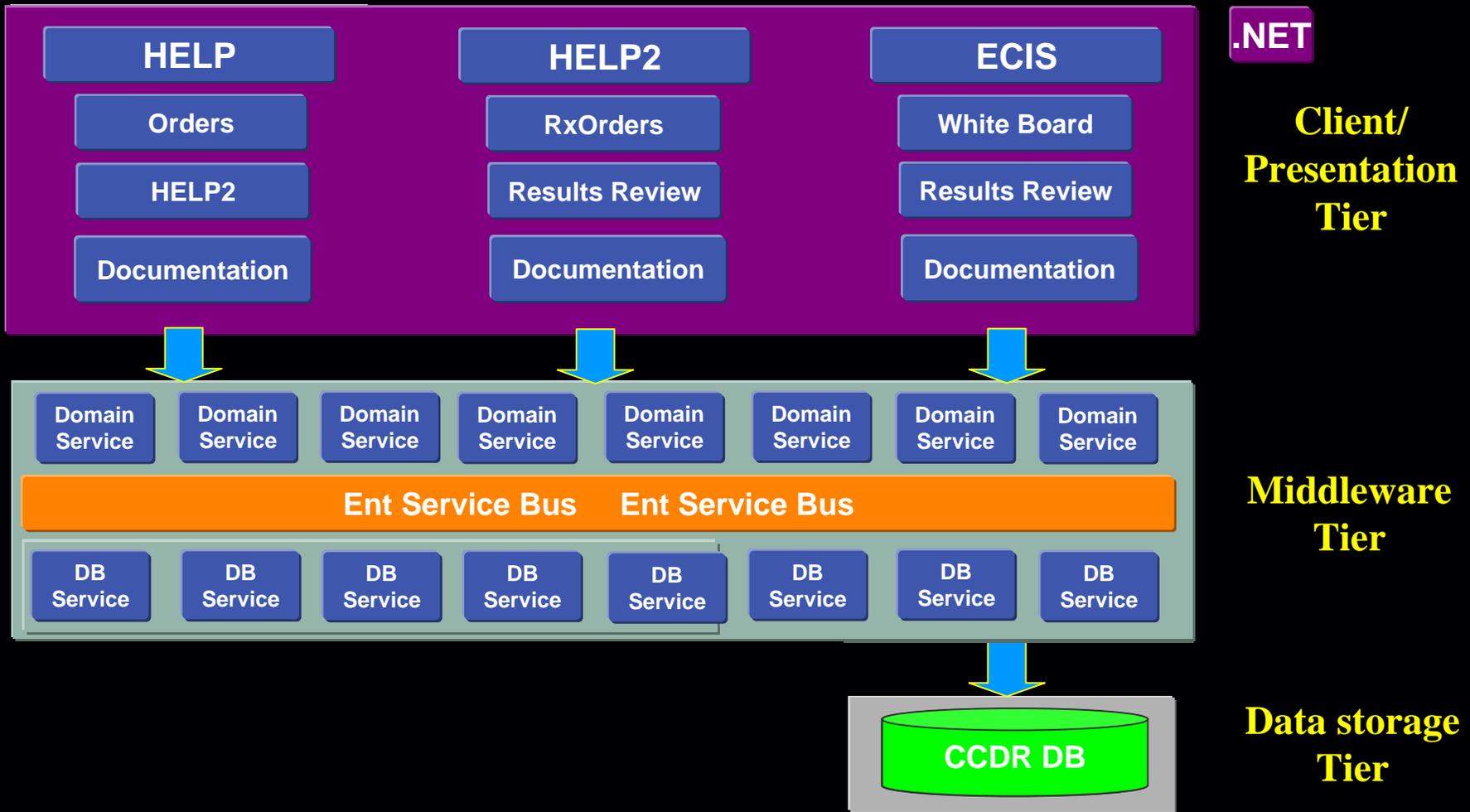
# Current State (simplified)



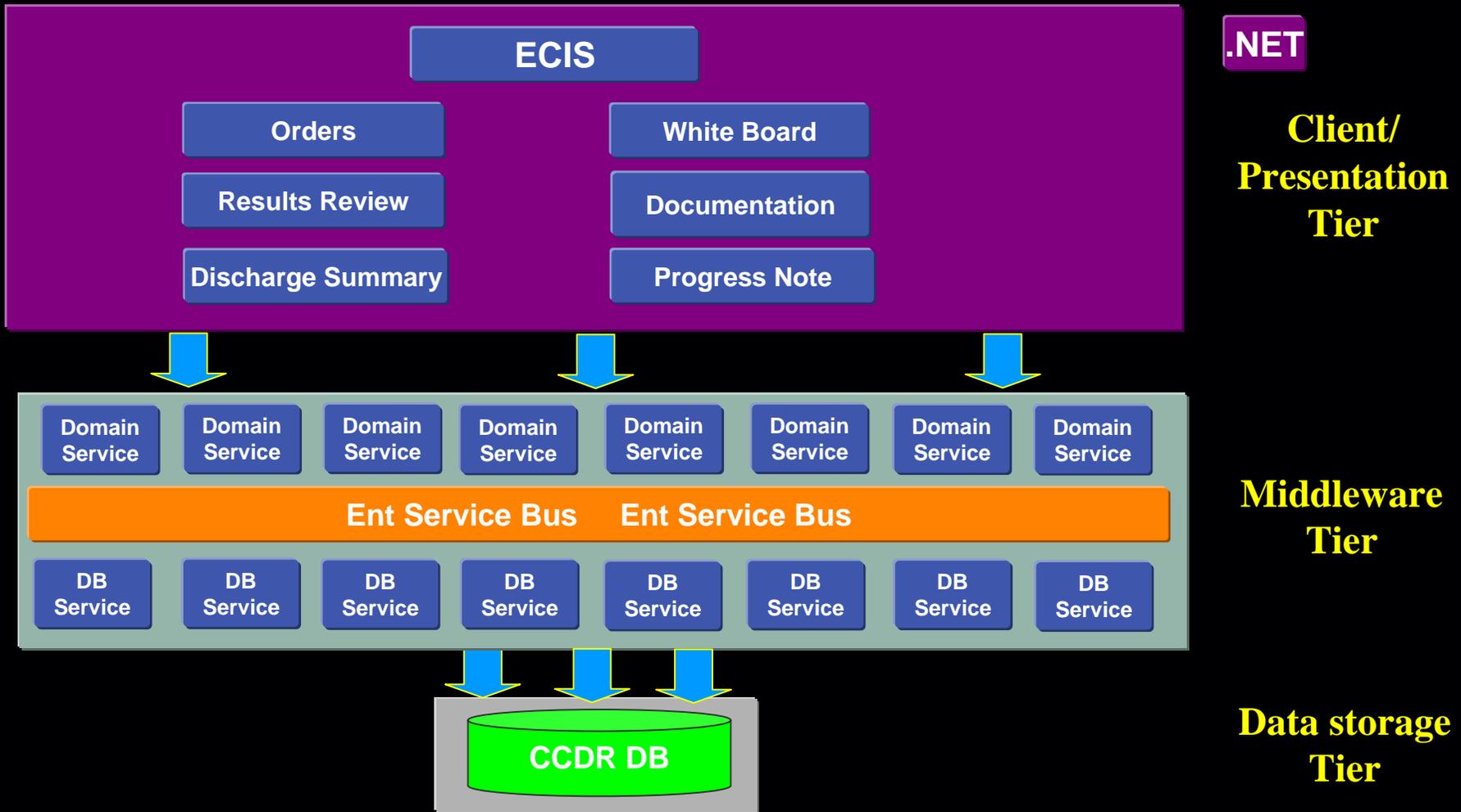
# Future State (simplified)



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# Potential Benefits

- Low risk
- Incremental changes - no “big bang” changes
- Gradual implementation of ESB
- Transition based on particular modules
  - Results review, text documents, allergies, documentation, order entry
- Slowly increasing use of the new database
  - Opportunity to tune performance

# Questions?