

Cloud 101

A Guide For GMHBA Employees

Customer expectations in the health industry are a higher than ever due to the rise of Digital Health. GMHBA is leading the charge to help provide a more seamless customer experience using cloud technology. This is a short summary to help GMHBA employees better understand cloud technology and its purpose. A more detailed **one-page fact sheet** is available for download.

What is the Cloud?

The cloud is the Internet—in essence, a network of servers. Today, we do all types of things in the cloud. If you've ever checked your email online then you've used the cloud.

Cloud Apps You Might Already Be Using:

- Gmail
- Yahoo! Mail
- Google Docs
- Facebook
- Evernote
- Dropbox
- Mozy

Advantages of Cloud Computing:

- Cost Effectiveness
- Security & Privacy
- Speed & Power
- Scalability
- Flexibility
- Usability
- Better Software
- Technical Support
- Time Saving
- Space Saving
- Financial Planning
- Environmentally Friendly

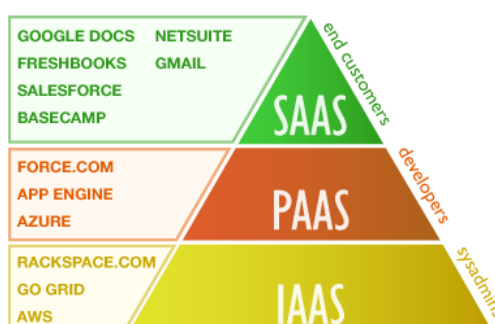


They key components of cloud technology will be used to provide a new level of service for GMHBA customers.

What Can You Do In the Cloud?

- **Check Your Email** from any device in the world that has an internet connection. Your emails are stored on servers which are connected to the internet.
- **Collaborate Online** with an app like Google Docs. Just create a document and send everyone the web address. Everyone in your group will be able to add to the document, and can even edit at the same time.
- **Store Files in the Cloud** with an app like Dropbox. You no longer have to worry about taking your files with you when offsite. As long as you have access to the internet, your files are just a few clicks away.
- **Make notes** with an app like Evernote using your computer or mobile device. Your notes will always be up to date no matter which device you're using.

Common Cloud Computing Services:



A number of these cloud computing services you may already be familiar with like Google Docs and Gmail.

Download our more detailed information booklet "Cloud 101 - A Guide For GMHBA Employees for more info.

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