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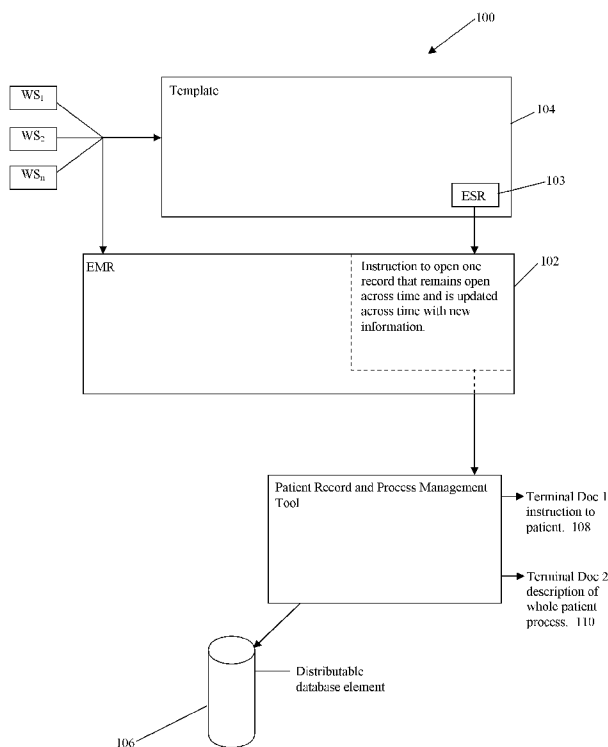


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A new and useful EMR template functionality for workflow management and workflow information capture is provided. The EMR template functionality is configured with the following characteristics; (a) user configurable workflow specific structured language options, (b) the ability to be kept open to changes and new inputs across the process to which the template refers, (c) the ability to enable selection of a user or user group as a responsible actor in the workflow, (d) the capability to distinguish the template from all other templates (without described workflow functionality) associated with the EMR, and (e) workflow specific searchable data fields. Thus, the template can be configured not only to provide patient medical information, but also to capture workflow information (e.g. insurance authorization, procedure scheduling, etc.), which enables the EMR to track a patient process over time, with regard, e.g. to the state of the workflow ordered for the patient, and thereby gives a medical office or other treatment environment an effective management tool to manage the medical office or other treatment environment's function and to provide effective patient care.

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