

MULTI-SITE PORTFOLIOS · ARCHITECTURE · OPERATOR AUTHORITY

Governing the Multi-Site Portfolio in Senior Housing & Care

A three-layer architecture that keeps local systems where they work, governs what they report, and lets intelligence act only on what the operator has authorized



When systems disagree, the operator governs.

Governance first. Intelligence second. Execution last.

THE ARGUMENT

Multi-site operators and the owners behind them, whether REITs, RIDEA partnerships or SHOP structures, grow by acquisition and joint venture, and every transaction brings its own clinical, property and financial systems. Leadership has been offered two answers: live with the fragmentation, or force every community onto one platform. Both fail. This paper sets out a third: keep the systems of record that work, govern what they report through an operator-controlled layer above them, and let intelligence work only on what the operator has authorized. Connecting systems is not the hard part. Deciding which number governs, and who decided, is.

KEY POINTS

1 Three layers. Systems of record execute locally; the governing layer establishes what the enterprise accepts as true; the intelligence layer reasons from that, and nothing else.	2 Normalization is not governance. Mapping “Tier 2” and “Moderate Level Care” to one code is necessary. Deciding which source governs a disputed figure, and recording who decided, is what makes a portfolio governable.
3 Two roads, chosen by the operator. Road 1 governs the systems a community keeps. Road 2 runs a community on SeniorCRE, from a bounded scope. Govern first. Replace only by choice.	4 Execution comes last. Actions run only inside explicit authority, policy, approval and audit boundaries. A model can propose; only a named person can commit the organization to a number.
5 Capital reads the same record. Owners and operators see one governed record, with lineage, instead of competing monthly decks.	6 Stated plainly. SeniorCRE is pre-production. This paper describes architecture and design commitments, not measured outcomes.

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SECTION 01

The Multi-Site Fragmentation Problem

When a portfolio grows from five communities to fifty, technical uniformity stops being achievable. Each acquisition arrives with the systems its staff already know.

EXHIBIT 1

Where the portfolio fractures

DOMAIN	WHAT THE PORTFOLIO INHERITS	WHAT DIVERGES
Clinical	Community A charts in PointClickCare, B in MatrixCare, C in ECP	Acuity, care levels and caregiver utilization are defined differently in each
Financial	Rent rolls, resident billing and procurement across Yardi Voyager, RealPage and community-level accounting	Revenue, occupancy and NOI are calculated on different bases and closed on different calendars
Workforce	Scheduling, time and attendance, agency tracking and payroll in separate tools	Labor hours never meet the care levels they are meant to cover
Property and ancillary	Work orders and maintenance in platforms such as TheWorxHub	Physical status of units sits apart from census and billing

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Each system can be right on its own terms and still report a different number for the same fact. Illustratively, one community's occupancy can be 88.1% by clinical discharge date, 87.4% by unit release date and 86.9% by billed days. The executive team then spends its week reconciling instead of deciding, and every investor report carries a definition nobody wrote down.

EXHIBIT 2

Two legacy strategies, both failing

STRATEGY	WHAT IT COSTS
Live with it	Manual spreadsheet consolidation; delayed and inconsistent investor metrics; unbilled care-level changes go unseen; compliance blind spots
Force one platform	Heavy capital expense; months of disruption at the point of care; retraining and turnover risk; a multi-year wait for value; and the next acquisition starts the problem again

The sector needs an architecture that respects local workflows and still gives the enterprise one governed answer, with the operator, not the vendor, deciding what governs.

SECTION 02

The Three-Layer Architecture

The architecture separates the work into three planes, each with one job. The governing layer in the middle is what most portfolios are missing.

EXHIBIT 3

Three planes, one direction of authority

3 Intelligence layer

Reasons only from governed context: forecasting, exception detection, leakage signals, portfolio analytics. Model confidence never creates organizational authority.

2 Governing layer

Establishes what the enterprise accepts as true for each decision: evidence and provenance, disagreement detection, operator-declared authority and the Governing Record, with lineage.

1 Systems of record

Execute at the point of care and property: charting, care plans, leases, move-ins, work orders, payables. Speed, stability and familiarity for frontline staff.

Data rises from the systems of record. Authority is declared in the governing layer. Intelligence works downstream of it. Execution follows, within explicit boundaries.

The three planes compress SeniorCRE's seven-step architecture, which keeps execution as a separate, controlled step rather than letting it leak into any layer.

EXHIBIT 4

The three planes against the seven-step architecture

PLANE	STEP	WHAT IT DOES
Systems of record	1 · Source Systems	The clinical, financial, workforce and property systems the operator runs
Governing layer	2 · Evidence & Provenance	Each assertion bound to its origin, timestamp, definition and lineage
	3 · Disagreement Detection	Conflicts between valid sources surfaced, not averaged
	4 · Operator Authority Chain™	Operator-declared decision rights: who may decide, for which purpose
	5 · Governing Record	The governing determination: what governs for this purpose, and why
Intelligence layer	6 · SeniorCRE Intelligence	Reasons from governed context
Controlled execution	7 · Controlled Execution	Actions only within explicit authority, policy, approval and audit boundaries

SECTION 03

Inside the Governing Layer

Most “middleware” stops at translation. Translation is necessary, but a portfolio becomes governable only when someone with authority decides which value governs, and the record keeps the proof.

EXHIBIT 5

Normalization and governance are different jobs

FUNCTION	NORMALIZATION: NECESSARY	GOVERNANCE: WHAT DECIDES
Canonical modeling	“Tier 2” at one community and “Moderate Level Care” at another map to one care level	Which care level governs billing when the clinical record and the ledger disagree
Entity resolution	One resident, employee, unit or vendor keeps one identity across every system	Which source is authoritative for that identity’s attributes, for which decision
Lineage	Every value traces to its origin row and timestamp	Why this value governed, under which definition and rule, approved by whom
Disagreement	Conflicting values are detected	Conflicts are shown side by side, preserved, and routed to a named person or an approved rule

SeniorCRE’s governing layer is designed around four disciplines: **definition, authority, reconciliation and lineage**, the four that make data governable. For every key metric the operator establishes seven objects: the definition, the source authority, the decision context, the reconciliation rule, the adjudicator for what the rules cannot settle, the lineage, and the preservation of competing values that were set aside. Approved operator rules decide routine values; the operator’s named people approve every rule and decide every exception, each recorded in the audit log.

Truth policy is epistemic authority: what the AI is allowed to believe.

Action policy is execution authority: what the AI is allowed to do. Permission to act does not equal authority to determine truth.

SECTION 04

Two Roads, One Portfolio

Governance never requires replacement. The operator chooses the road for each community.

EXHIBIT 6

The operator’s choice, community by community

ROAD	WHERE IT FITS	HOW IT WORKS
Road 1 • Govern What You Have	Communities on stable platforms such as PointClickCare, Yardi or MatrixCare keep them; SeniorCRE governs what they produce	Read-only: the source remains the system of record, and SeniorCRE does not write back. Ingestion starts from exported files and scheduled report drops
Road 2 • Run on SeniorCRE	Greenfield communities, or those the operator moves off a legacy platform, run on SeniorCRE as the system of record	A bounded scope that excludes medication and eMAR, billing, payments and payroll; clinical domains open only after written clinical sign-off

A portfolio can run both roads at once. Every community, whichever road it is on, reports into the same governing layer, so a Road 2 community's native records are governed exactly as a Road 1 community's exports are. Where SeniorCRE is the system of record for a domain, its application is the authoritative transactional source; the governing layer ingests that state, preserves lineage and applies the same definitions and reconciliation across every community. Connect what exists. Govern what matters. Replace only by choice.

SECTION 05

One Event, Traced End to End

Consider a resident at an acquired community whose cognitive decline moves her from assisted living to memory care. The example is illustrative; it shows how the architecture is designed to work, not a measured deployment.

EXHIBIT 7

A care-level change, from the point of care to the owner's report

STEP	PLANE	WHAT HAPPENS	WHY IT MATTERS
1 • The event	Systems of record	A caregiver records the change in the community's existing clinical system	In a fragmented portfolio the change stays in the clinical database; billing may not learn of it for weeks
2 • Evidence	Governing layer	The next export brings the change in with its origin, timestamp and definition; the resident resolves to one identity	The source record is preserved exactly as stated
3 • Disagreement	Governing layer	The clinical care level and the ledger's billed care level now differ	The conflict is surfaced side by side, not averaged or hidden
4 • Authority	Governing layer	An approved rule routes the variance; past its window, a named person reviews it	Nothing changes the ledger on its own
5 • Governing Record	Governing layer	The authorized person records which care level governs billing from which date, and why	The determination carries its evidence and lineage
6 • Intelligence	Intelligence layer	Labor hours per resident day, NOI projections and owner reporting update from the governed value	Analytics never reason from the raw conflict
7 • Execution	Controlled execution	The billing change is made by the people and systems authorized to make it	Action stays within approval and audit boundaries

The value is not speed for its own sake. It is that every figure the executive team and the owner see can be walked back to the source rows, the rule that applied and the person who decided.

SECTION 06

What Owners and Operators Gain

These are design objectives. No outcome, saving or timeline is claimed until it is measured in operator production.

EXHIBIT 8

Designed outcomes by audience

AUDIENCE	WHAT THE ARCHITECTURE IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE
Owners and REITs	One governed operating record across operators, with lineage behind NOI, labor and covenant evidence; IRC §856 testing is under evaluation for the roadmap, not built
Executive team	One answer to “which number governs?”, decided by named people under written definitions
Finance	Care-level changes and billing reconciled against a written rule rather than discovered at month end
Regional operations	Labor and agency use read against governed census and care levels
Acquisitions	New communities governed above the systems they arrive with, instead of waiting for a migration
Frontline staff	No forced change of the tools they know, unless the operator chooses Road 2 for that community

SECTION 07

How to Evaluate Any Architecture

Six questions separate a governed portfolio from a connected one. Ask them of any vendor, including us.

1 Who approved the definitions. Your finance and clinical leadership, or the vendor?	2 Which source governs, for which decision. Is source authority written down per decision context, or implied?
3 What happens when sources disagree. Is the conflict preserved and shown, or silently averaged?	4 Who can change a governing value. Is every determination tied to a named person, with lineage?
5 What the AI is allowed to believe. Does it reason from governed values, or from raw system output?	6 What the vendor actually claims. Can it show its evidence status, and what it does not claim?

SECTION 08

Where SeniorCRE Stands Today

SeniorCRE is the operator-controlled operating infrastructure for senior housing & care. It is pre-production: no operator runs it in production, no operator workflow has been validated, and no PHI is processed in production. The Operator-Controlled Operating Record is designed; it is not yet implemented in any community.

EXHIBIT 9

Status of the capabilities this paper describes, last verified September 29, 2026

CAPABILITY	STATUS
Operator row-level security, fail-closed	Enforced today
Human acceptance of machine figures	Enforced today
Governed record screens	Built; not validated
Reconciliation and row-level lineage	Not yet built
Operator-exported files and scheduled report drops	Not yet built
Read-only replica views and clinical event feeds	Design intent; not live in operator production
Vendor API connectors	Roadmap; no vendor integration is live in operator production
Medication administration and eMAR	Roadmap; not built
IRC §856 testing	Under evaluation for the roadmap; not confirmed and not built

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REQUEST AN EXECUTIVE BRIEFING

Bring five contested operating numbers. We will show you which one governs, who decided, and why.

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