
Save the Date!



NYeC's third annual **Digital Health Conference** will be held on November 14-15, 2013 at the Hilton New York, in midtown Manhattan. This event brings together a diverse group of professionals for two days of lively intellectual exchange, showcasing practical, innovative, and inspiring advancements in health information technology. [Register for early bird rates!](#) [See some of the highlights from DHC 2012.](#)

Call for Speakers

NYeC is seeking speakers for the **2013 Digital Health Conference**. Proposals should showcase health IT innovations, use case studies, explore new information technology tools and perspectives, suggest practical applications of existing technologies, and/or highlight the effects of health IT in healthcare advances. We want to hear from thought provoking, engaging speakers who can inspire our audience.

This year we have two types of speaking opportunities: our standard 45-minute to one hour presentation, and a brand new 10-minute talk format. You may apply for one or both types of speaking slots. To submit an application, visit www.digitalhealthconference.com. For questions, please feel free to email dhc@nyehealth.org or call 646-619-6536.

The deadline for speaker submissions is March 31, 2013 at 11:59 pm ET.

Patient Portal Design Challenge Info Session Draws Engaged Crowd

This week, in partnership with **live with design** and **Health 2.0**, NYeC held an information session and networking event for more than 80 designers and developers interested in learning more about the **Patient Portal for New Yorkers Design Challenge**. NYeC staff made a short presentation about the overall portal project and challenge, and fielded questions.



NYeC is working to provide New Yorkers with safe and secure access to their records by building a statewide patient portal for New Yorkers — a website for patients to

access their medical records online. In order to design the best possible and most user-friendly portal interface, NYeC has launched the Patient Portal for New Yorkers Design Challenge. This challenge calls on all interested designers and developers to submit innovative and exciting prototypes that can be used to build the full version of the portal.

Challenge submissions are due April 11, 2013.

[Learn more.](#)

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REC Expands Meaningful Use Extension Program to Support NYS Medicaid Specialists

A new REC (Regional Extension Center) program to service and support Medicaid Specialists in the adoption, implementation, and use of EHRs across New York State is being introduced by the two NYS RECs: The New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC) which services the entire state, with the exception of New York City, and New York City Regional Electronic Adoption Center for Health (NYC REACH), which provides services to the five counties within the city. Providers previously ineligible to receive support from the RECs for earlier Meaningful Use initiatives (offered and funded via the Office of the National Coordinator) are encouraged to enroll in this MU extension program. Specialists who may have previously been referred to as being 'out-of-scope' in the original ONC RECs provision will be supported by this proposal. For more information, or to learn if you qualify for this program please contact: Peggy Frizzell, HIT Implementation Project Manager, for NYeC at pfrizzell@nyehealth.org or by phone at (646) 619-6562.

Watch: HIE, Making a Difference

The world of social media is not just a strategic way of conducting public relations, but to some, simply a way of life. When John Lynn (@techguy), professional blogger and founder of many **successful healthcare blogs**, participated in our DHC 2012 panel on social media last fall, he brought to it the perspective of someone who takes social media as a given. The panel addressed fears and cited benefits of using social media for healthcare organizations. [Read more.](#)

Social Media, a Healthy Risk

Still skeptical about the benefits of HIE? You shouldn't be. Produced by the Office of the National Coordinator, this video, featuring David Whitlinger of NYeC, and Bronx-based healthcare provider, Dr. Sumir Sahgal, shows how radically HIE has improved physicians' practices and patient care throughout the country. [Read more.](#)

HxD 2013: Where Healthcare & Design Intersect: 3/25/13: Boston



At the **Healthcare Experience Design Conference** you'll join designers, technologists, product managers, researchers,

entrepreneurs, visionaries, and dreamers representing a broad spectrum of companies and organizations in the healthcare space. Through this inspired mix of presenters and attendees, HxD will explore the overlap of healthcare and design. Speakers will discuss how human centered design and design thinking can improve the quality of health service delivery and digital interactions, helping all of us achieve better health.

For more information please visit us at: www.nyehealth.org