

2013 Digital Health Conference



Our November 14-15 **Digital Health Conference** is just three short weeks away and is on pace to completely fill to capacity! Over 1,200 healthcare and health IT professionals will descend on the New York Hilton to learn from and network with industry thought leaders and innovators who are shaping the future of healthcare through the use of technology.

Top 5 Reasons to Attend this Year's Event

1. Healthcare luminary George C. Halvorson of Kaiser Permanente and President Obama's 2012 Campaign Manager, Jim Messina, will keynote the event.
2. A peer-driven **educational program** featuring 20 thought-provoking lectures and interactive sessions, including NY State's Health IT Ecosystem, Google Glass, the Consumerization of Healthcare, 3-D printing, and more.
3. Speakers and innovators from industry leaders such as Qualcomm, Mt. Sinai, the Commonwealth Fund, StartUp Health, and athenahealth.
4. The opportunity to network and increase your visibility with over 1,200 senior-level health IT professionals from across New York's diverse health IT community.
5. All that New York City has to offer: Enjoy the foliage in Central Park, visit the MOMA, and taste an unrivaled restaurant scene.

Don't miss your opportunity to join your peers at one of the healthcare industry's must-attend events.

[Register Today!](#)

From the Blog



Utilizing Health IT to Connect the Dots for Better Healthcare

Posted by: Crystal Felker,
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In 2009 my family and I moved from Portland to New York City so I could take my current position at NYeC. Having worked in the health IT division at Intel, I knew how important the work at NYeC would be. It was the opportunity to help better the lives of many millions and set in place standards that would influence the rest of the nation. Four years later, as we launch the 2013 National Health IT Week, I take this moment to reflect on how far we have come.

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Dr. Heslin Uses Health IT to Improve Diabetes Care



Dr. Eugene Heslin is head physician at Bridge Street Medical Group, a family practice with six physicians in Saugerties, NY. Since implementing an EHR several years ago, Bridge Street Medical Group has used their EHR to improve health care quality for their patients with diabetes. Bridge Street Medical Group redesigned their nursing workflows to integrate microprotein testing—testing that helps physicians discover signs of kidney failure—into their annual diabetes check-ups. Before Dr. Heslin and his practice implemented an EHR, they tested less than 50% of their patients with diabetes for signs of kidney failure. Dr. Heslin and his practice now collect annual microprotein data for 100% of their patients with diabetes.

[Read more.](#)

(Source: ONC)

Advancing Healthcare in New York State Through Technology



Across New York State and the nation, there is a system-wide transformational change in the way health care is delivered as a result of technology advancements. At the New York State Department of Health (DOH), the office of Health Information Technology Transformation (OHITT) has taken the lead on

the integration of health IT into healthcare systems. To mark the important role health information technology plays in improving healthcare delivery, State Health Commissioner Nirav R. Shah, MD, MPH discusses how health IT is transforming healthcare in New York State.

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Enroll Soon! Deadline Nears to Receive Full Medicaid Specialist Program EHR Incentives and Services

The **Medicaid Specialists Program** is a New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC) Regional Extension Center (REC) initiative that provides outreach, technical, and support services to help eligible providers adopt an electronic health record (EHR) system to meet the requirements to attain Meaningful Use (MU). The program is a part of the New York State Medicaid EHR Incentive Program to help improve patient care.

The time to enroll is now. There is limited availability and time constraints. Enrollment in the Medicaid Specialist Program EHR Incentive program exceeds 30% as the deadline to receive full services nears. There are two milestones that must be achieved:

- AIU the adoption, implementation, or upgrade of a certified EHR
- Attestation of Meaningful Use

The first milestone (AIU) must be completed by December 31, 2013 to receive the full benefits of the Medicaid Specialist Program. For the first time, specialists are eligible to receive support from the REC for MU incentives and are now encouraged to enroll in this adoption program. The program will help Medicaid Specialists qualify for up to \$63,750 under the Medicaid Incentive Program for the adoption, implementation, and upgrade of a certified EHR and attestation of Meaningful Use Stage 1.

For program information or to determine if you are eligible to participate in the Medicaid Specialist Program, please contact Peggy Frizzel at pfrizzel@nyehealth.org or (646) 619-6562

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2013 Health Data Exchange & Interoperability Summit

October 30-31, 2013

Grand Hyatt, Washington, DC

For over a decade, eHealth Initiative has been the leading organization tracking the state and progress of information and data exchange across the country. On October 30-31, over 300 healthcare experts will come together to discuss the current state of data and information exchange to meet the demands of today's ever changing healthcare delivery system. In attendance will be clinicians, hospitals, health systems, providers, HIEs, health plans, labs, public health officials, and consumers to name a few. Do not miss your chance to engage with industry's most influential leaders and discuss critical issues impacting the exchange of healthcare information today.

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To view the agenda and for more information on the Summit, visit <http://ehidc.org/events-landing/hdes-2013>



December 3, 2013

5:00 – 8:00pm

New York State Museum, Albany, NY

www.hixnyconnects.org

Join Hixny and your fellow healthcare professionals, business leaders, government officials, and community members for an evening of networking and discovery. Hixny will unveil the Innovation Showcase—a behind the scenes look at Hixny's Health Information Exchange. Keynote speaker: John Halamka, MD, MS and featured speaker New York State Assembly member John McDonald.

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The Crystal Ball 2013

December 11, 2013

New York, NY

Come to the Healthcare Innovators Event of the season! Join physicians, hospital leaders, guru designers, patient leaders, VCs, angels, and amazing folks that push healthcare innovation forward every day as we celebrate the year's successes and learn from everything else. Jay Parkinson, creator of Hello Health and now Sherpaa.com, and one of the most influential leaders MDs / Designers in Healthcare will come out and tell us what the future holds for Healthcare in 2014.

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