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2016 Digital Health Conference Program Announced

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DIGITAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

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Showcasing Innovation, Inspiring Change

We're pleased to announce the preliminary **2016 Digital Health Conference program**, featuring a stellar roster of industry thought leaders, innovators, and organizations from across the healthcare spectrum.

This year's event is shaping up to be our best yet! Join us once again to connect with your peers and to engage in thought-provoking lectures, interactive panels, discussion, and technological exhibits. **Explore the program** and **register today**.

Don't miss your opportunity to save: Early Bird rates expire October 14th.

Featured Sessions Include:

- DSRIP 2017—Lessons Learned and Paving the Way for Success

- Internet of Medical Things—Making Intelligent Care Anywhere a Reality

- Navigating Value-Based Care—Making it Work

- Fireside Chat—The Statewide Health Information Networkfor New York (SHIN-NY)

- Making the Cancer Moonshot Initiative a Reality— Advancing Cancer Care through Data Sharing and

- Increased Access to Clinical Trials Navigating a Baby's Heart— Resolving Complex Cases with 3D Printing

To learn more, visit **www.digitalhealthconference.com**.

Partnership Fund for New York City and New York eHealth Collaborative Announce Companies Selected for the 2016 Digital Health Accelerator Program

Six digital health companies have been selected for this year's **New York Digital Health Accelerator** (NYDHA), a four-month program run by the **Partnership Fund for New York City** (Partnership Fund) and the **New York eHealth Collaborative** (NYeC). The 2016 NYDHA Class includes BMIQ, Diameter Health, eCaring, Healthify, Somatix, and Spring.

"The NYDHA continues to serve as a leading program to provide new, innovative tools and solutions healthcare professionals need to deliver better patient outcomes, reduce costs, and thrive in the DSRIP and value-based care era of healthcare in New York State," said Valerie Grey, Executive Director of the New York eHealth Collaborative. "We look forward to working with this class of entrepreneurs to provide them access to mentors and the opportunity to test their solutions out at New York State's leading healthcare organizations."

The NYDHA supports growth-stage digital health companies in developing their products and technology. The companies were nominated and then selected to be part of the 2016 Class through a rigorous process by top industry healthcare providers and payers. Industry involvement is a distinguishing feature of the NYDHA. The 2016 Class will receive valuable feedback from senior-level executives at New York's leading healthcare organizations, enabling them to receive end user feedback and improve their technology at a critical moment in their development.

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Hixny Contributes to Lower Readmission Rates in ED's

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Earlier this year, Dr. Daniel Silverman, Chief Medical Officer for Acute Care-Troy for St. Peter's Health Partners, decided it was time for a "restart" on the use of Hixny in his organization.

Providers at Samaritan and St. Mary's Hospitals, which make up Acute-Care Troy, had access to Hixny for some time, but use was spotty because providers did not see how it fit into their workflow. So Hixny Account Manager Tavia Rauch did a simple demonstration of Hixny's value, and provided training to 78 people.

Within a few months, use of Hixny in the hospitals had increased 23 percent. It is used regularly in the emergency department, where Medical Director Dr. John Janikas said it is changing the way care decisions are made. It is part of the workflow for care managers and hospitalists, who say it is making them more efficient.

"Before we had to wait sometimes 3, 4, 5 hours to get health records on a patient," said Dan Marra, a Nurse Practioner Hospitalist at Samaritan. "For patients who participate in Hixny, we are able to eliminate the gap almost completely."

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(Source: Hixny)

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What Happened to My Patient? The HIE Knows

healthlinkny
Your link to Statewide Health Information

Catholic Charities of Broome County depends on the HealthlinkNY Health Information Exchange (HIE) to fill information gaps—some big, some small—for its Health Home members. The organization enrolls high-utilization Medicaid recipients as Health Home members and provides hands-on care management to get them the preventive care and regular treatment they need. But CCBC/Encompass Health Home would be hard-pressed to coordinate care for more than 1,100 members without the HealthlinkNY Health Information Exchange. HealthlinkNY gives care managers access to essential information—including how to get in touch with members whose contact information is out-of-date.

Care managers also rely on a daily report from HealthlinkNY to know when their members visit the emergency department or are admitted to the hospital. Access to medical records through HealthlinkNY lets care managers know why their members went to the hospital and what treatment they received. "Members cannot always report or articulate why they were hospitalized or what their discharge instructions are," explains Vinnette James, Encompass Health Home's Director of Health Home Care Management. "We can follow up with the member within 24 hours and go over the information we got from HealthlinkNY so he or she understands what has happened and what needs to happen now."

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(Source: HealthlinkNY)

Department of Defense Approves Health Information Exchange Between Fort Drum MEDDAC and Community Providers

HealtheConnections™

The Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization, in collaboration with Syracuse-based HealtheConnections and Fort Drum's Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC), is pleased to announce Department of Defense approval of a unique electronic health information exchange partnership between Fort Drum and the surrounding community.

Through the collaboration with Fort Drum MEDDAC, electronic medical records of soldiers and their families are now available, along with civilian medical records, in HealtheConnections' secure health information exchange system. This integration will prevent duplicate medical procedures and testing as health care providers have the ability to access the comprehensive health records of soldiers and their family members from other connected facilities across central New York, the north country and New York State.

HealtheConnections is also linked with the Department of Veterans Affairs, allowing veterans in central and northern New York to enjoy this same seamless access to care.

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(Source: HealtheConnections)

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It's National Health IT Week!

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Expanding the Value of Health IT.

Let your voice be heard!
September 26 – 30, 2016

The Annual National Health IT Week is being held September 26-30, 2016. Join us for this collaborative forum where public and private healthcare constituents work in partnership to educate industry and policy stakeholders on the value of health IT for the U.S. healthcare system. With Meaningful Use now providing the way forward, there is no better time for the health IT community to come together under one umbrella to raise national awareness!

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Letting the Outside In: How Ridesharing Provides a Model for Healthcare Transformation

Few things are more important than getting patients to the care they need. For that reason, many health insurers and delivery systems provide patients who couldn't get to their appointments otherwise with free transportation. Traditionally, these non-emergency medical transportation services have been provided by livery companies. Much like taxis, the industry can be plagued by poor service and high prices.

Over the past year, ridesharing companies have announced efforts to expand their on-demand transportation services to patients and health systems. A recent study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association demonstrated encouraging results from almost 500 patient trips to-date. Average wait times have decreased by 30.0% (to 8.77 minutes), average per-ride costs have been reduced by 32.4% (to $21.32), and composite patient satisfaction measures 80.8%. Better outcomes, lower costs and improved experiences—the health care trifecta.

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(Source: Forbes)

Apple's Move to Tighten Digital Health Criteria Could have Bigger Impact than FDA

A couple of months ago, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration released criteria for digital health companies with final guidance articulating the difference between the "low-risk" digital health apps and devices for general health management, and those apps and devices that needed FDA 510(k) clearance.

This month, Apple set down some rules for digital health companies aspiring to use the technology giant's iOS network. The changes by Apple could have a more tangible impact than those made by the FDA, and it raises the stakes for developers.

There is no way the FDA can regulate the hundreds of thousands of health and medical apps and the updates made to them. The screening process is what has to change—and it seems like Apple is finally stepping up to the plate to do this.

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(Source: MedCity News)

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NYeC Healthcare Advisory Professional Services

New York State Medicaid Eligible Providers:

Just a reminder that the new **MEIPASS State Level Registry (SLR)** will be ready to accept Meaningful Use attestations early 4th quarter. Need help with preparing? Contact the HAPS team at HAPSinfo@nyehealth.org. We are your Meaningful Use experts!

How Do You Compare To Your Peers?

Eligible Professionals (EPs) who participated in the 2015 PQRS Quality reporting program are able to access their QRUR reports and compare their performance to those of their peers delivering similar healthcare services. CMS will publish the 2015 Annual QRUR reports this fall. These reports contain performance information on quality measures reported via the PQRS program. The Annual QRUR report shows the TIN's actual performance on all the quality and cost measures that will be used to calculate the 2017 Value Modifier. Based on the rating the received by the NPI/TIN, the provider/practice will know how they performed and if they might be receiving a negative, or positive payment adjustment for their 2017 Medicare Part B billings.

This performance data has a two-fold purpose. (1) CMS uses it to evaluate performance and determine if the TIN will receive a payment adjustment in 2017. (2) Data from this report is used to inform the **Physician Compare** website. This is a public-facing website designed to assist consumers in making informed decisions about the providers they may choose to deliver their health care services.

NYeC offers a CMS-recognized PQRS Registry with full support services. If you are interested in more information about these services, please contact Peggy Frizzell at: **pfrizzell@nyehealth.org** or directly at 646-619-6562. Our registration for the 2016 PQRS reporting year will be opening shortly.

You can also contact us for assistance on accessing your QRUR report so you know your Quality Score/Ratings. (**How to Obtain a QRUR**.) As the healthcare industry moves from fee-for-service to value-based payments, your ratings will be directly tied to Medicare Part B Payments.

Your score matters.

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FT Digital Health Summit USA

FT DIGITAL HEALTH SUMMIT USA

Accelerating Patient Empowerment in Health and Wellness

Digital Health Summit USA, now in its second year, returns on October 27, to once again target the most pressing challenges and opportunities within the industry.

Join industry leaders to explore the future of healthcare and to hear more on how new thinking and innovation can be infused into the existing traditional systems to drive a more proactive healthcare system in the United States.

New York eHealth Collaborative members get an exclusive 20% discount over the current registration fee with the code **NYEC20**.

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MedStartUp Partnering Day 2016

Med StartUp AWARD 2016

Business France & The Galien Foundation are pleased to invite you to the Medstartup Partnering Day to:

- **NETWORK** with +250 Leaders in the EHealth/Pharma/Medtech industries
- **SOURCE INNOVATION** Meet with +50 innovative French Health Tech companies
- **EXPAND** Identify strategic partners to access to the European market

The MedstartUp will bring together 55 highly innovative French companies in the healthcare industry and 250 American leaders in the Pharma/MedTech /Digital Health industries.

October 27, 2016

Organizer: Galien Foundation & Business France

Registration: Free for Early Birds

Venue: Alexandria Center for Life Sciences, 450 E 29th St, New York, NY 10016

Learn more.