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2017 Gala & Awards Recap



On Wednesday, November 1st, 250 top thought leaders in New York's healthcare ecosystem attended our 2017 Gala & Awards at the Edison Ballroom.

Hosted by [NYeC's Board of Directors](#), the Gala & Awards serves to recognize and honor the achievements of those improving healthcare through technology. We were thrilled to recognize the invaluable contributions of our five honorees. This year, **David Blumenthal, MD**, President of The Commonwealth Fund received the Transformative Leadership Award. Additionally, NYeC honored:

- **Eugene Heslin, MD**, First Deputy Commissioner, New York State Department of Health
- **Paul Macielak, Esq.**, President and CEO, New York Health Plan Association
- **Patrick Roohan**, Vice President of Data Management and Analytics Solutions, MVP Health Care; Former Director of the Office of Quality and Patient Safety, New York State Department of Health
- **James Tallon, Jr.**, President Emeritus, United Hospital Fund

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NYeC Announces Appointment of Two New Board Members

On November 20th, NYeC announced the appointment of two new members to the organization's Board of Directors, each of whom bring decades of experience in health information technology and healthcare policy along with proven records of applying innovation and strategy to improve care.

Jeffrey Kraut, Executive Vice President, Strategy and Analytics at Northwell Health, and Dr. Matthew Shafiroff, former Vice President of Medical Informatics for Stellaris Health Network, will begin serving on the NYeC Board as it continues its work to improve healthcare through the use of health information exchange.

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Join Our Team!

Healthcare is currently undergoing an unprecedented transformation through a digital health revolution—do you want to be at the epicenter of it?

We have the current opportunities available:

Positions based out of our Albany office

- [Program Coordinator](#)
- [Program Specialist](#)

Opportunities Available in either Albany or New York City

- [Chief Information Security Officer, Statewide Health Information Network for NY](#)

NYeC is an equal opportunity employer.

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NYeC Sets SHIN-NY 2020 HIE Roadmap

A recent *Telehealth & Telecare Aware* article recapped the 2017 Gala & Awards, highlighting our Executive Director Val Grey's opening remarks on the recently released SHIN-NY 2020 Roadmap.

“Before an audience of most of NY state's healthcare organization leaders and key staff, Executive Director Valerie Grey opened the evening with a top line of the SHIN-NY's major goals in ensuring a robust HIE supporting value-based care, interoperability including innovations such as blockchain and natural language processing (NLP), public health advocacy, efficiency, and increased affordability. It extends NYeC's founding goals of connecting providers and achieving the Triple Aim.”

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(Source: *Telehealth & Telecare Aware*)

HEALTHeLINK Survey Finds Strong Support of Sharing and Utilization of Clinical Information Exchange



A recent survey conducted by HEALTHeLINK shows consumers in Western New York largely believe that the community's healthcare system is performing at a high level, is generally safe, and that access to electronic health records by physicians is good for care.

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(Source: HEALTHeLINK)

Hixny Raises the Bar on Data Quality



As benchmarks for the “meaningful use” of electronic health records (EHRs) continue to evolve, New York State has introduced a minimum standard, the Common Clinical Data Set, for providers to meet in tracking health factors that fulfill the current federal requirements. Layering the quality of data reported over the quality of care provided supports the State’s need for information as it moves toward the new, value-based care model of Medicaid reimbursement.

Throughout 2017, Hixny conducted a data quality assessment to help participating providers prepare for this shift in models and comply with the evolving meaningful use requirements. In the process, Hixny began preparing its own system for the changes by establishing a baseline for data quality and a plan of attack for streamlining information and ensuring consistent coding.

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(Source: Hixny)

Imagine If with Healthix



A new educational video explains the benefits of Healthix for patients throughout greater New York City. The video looks at the various times in a patient’s life where having health information at a doctor’s fingertips can be truly beneficial, even life-saving. The video addresses privacy and security concerns and explains to patients how they can give their consent and enable their doctors to provide them better care.

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(Source: Healthix)

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Importance of Data-Driven Care: HealthConnections and Dr. Indu Gupta



Healthcare is in a constant state of flux, relying on new statistics and data to develop innovative solutions that will contribute to a healthier community and improved lives.

HealthConnections spoke with the Onondaga County Health Commissioner on the importance of having a data-driven philosophy to healthcare improvement and the impact it has on patient care and public health.

[WATCH THE VIDEO](#)

(Source: HealthConnections)

10 Health IT Predictions for 2018

Healthcare IT News reported on ten health IT predictions for the next year. Included in the predictions was the growth of emerging technologies, moving out of pilot testing and into production environments.

By the end of 2020, 25 percent of data used in medical care will be collected and shared with health systems by the patients themselves. In the same timeframe, adoption rates of IoT-enabled asset tracking and inventory management systems in hospitals will have doubled worldwide, improving patient safety, staff satisfaction, and operational efficiency.

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(Source: Healthcare IT News)

Caregiving in an Electronic Age

November is National Family Caregivers Month. A recent blog post from the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology highlighted the importance of health information exchange for family caregivers.

“Much of our work to implement the 21st Century Cures Act directly supports progress on these targets. As we move forward, we look forward to working across the industry to make it easier for caregivers to furnish support and care, so that one day caregivers won’t have to think about getting access to data and will be able to spend more quality time with the people who need their help.”

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(Source: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology)

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NYeC Healthcare Advisory Professional Services

Advanced Primary Care (APC) Program

Healthcare is shifting from fee-for-service to value-based care, placing greater emphasis on patient-centered care. Is your practice prepared?

NYeC's [free Advanced Primary Care \(APC\) practice transformation services](#) help small and medium primary care practices deliver high-quality coordinated care, earn payment incentives, and prepare to thrive under value-based payment arrangements.

If you are interested in the APC program or for more information, please contact us at APC@nyehealth.org.

Medicaid Meaningful Use Updates

2017 Public Health Registration of Intent Deadline

Registration of Intent for Public Health Reporting must be completed before or within 60 days of the start of your EHR Reporting Period. The final 90-day period that may be chosen as your EHR Reporting Period is 10/3/2017 – 12/31/2017. The deadline to register intent for that reporting period is 12/1/2017.

Medicaid Meaningful Use and MIPS Crosswalk

Stay tuned to our website for details on an upcoming webinar in early December for dual eligible providers in New York State and how NYeC can help you understand the crosswalk between Medicaid MU and MIPS.

Questions? The EP2 team can be reached at: EP2Info@nyehealth.org.

MIPS Updates

CMS Extended MIPS Reporting Virtual Group Election Deadline to December 31, 2017

Year 2 of the QPP program is offering the option to report as a Virtual Group. This enables individual providers and small group practices to affiliate and leverage their quality data and improvement activities to maximize their MIPS reporting performance.

CMS defines a virtual group as a combination of two or more Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TINs) made up of:

- A solo practitioner who is eligible to participate in MIPS and bills under a TIN with no other National Provider Identifiers billing under the TIN

OR

- A group with 10 or fewer eligible clinicians (at least 1 must be eligible for MIPS) that joins with at least one other solo practitioner or group for a performance period of a year

For more information on the two-stage election process and agreements, view the [Virtual Groups Toolkit](#).

NYeC MIPS Registry Services Now Open for Business

NYeC offers comprehensive, CMS-Certified 2017 **Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Reporting and Support Services** that enable MIPS eligible clinicians to elect the performance categories they want to report and at what pace. Service offerings include guidance to select measures, data collection tools, training, monthly webinars, support calls, and data integration from your EHR or claims data directly to a QCDR.

NYeC Hosting QPP / MIPS Quality Reporting Informational Webinars

The QPP program has many new requirements to be able to report MIPS successfully. We are offering webinars focused on specific topics or components of the program.

[How to Report ACI Category for MIPS – Previously MU](#)

Wednesday, December 13 | 3:00-4:00 PM EST

[MIPS Reporting as a Specialist](#)

Wednesday, December 20 | 10:00-11:00 AM EST

[Calculating your MIPS Score & Understanding What It Means](#)

Wednesday, January 10 | 12:00-1:00 PM EST

For more information, visit www.nyehealth.org/qpp.

Partner Events and Opportunities



December 4 - 5 | New York City

NODE Health's Digital Medicine Conference

Where healthcare leaders come to share evidence and deliver on the value of digital innovation. Join the first ever multi-stakeholder meeting on the scientific evidence for digital innovation. Effective digital solutions that are bringing value across the healthcare continuum will be discussed. Health system leaders, health plan executives, and pharmaceutical executives will convene in one place for the first time to discuss the digital pilots working to improve outcomes, patient experience, and population health.

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December 6 | New York City

NYC Digital Health Forum Executive Networking Event

Technology has certainly made its mark on healthcare, and it's not stopping anytime soon. As the healthcare landscape continues to evolve, NYCEDC and Catalyst @ Health 2.0 are proud to announce the 2017 **NYC Digital Health Forum & Curated Matchmaking Event** to take place on December 6, 2017 at the New York Genome Center.

The Forum brings together entrepreneurs, innovators, hospital professionals, and industry leaders to explore the impact of digital health in NYC. Then, the Matchmaking Event expedites the sales cycle between startups and healthcare organizations—bringing them together for 1:1 vetted meetings to find the right commercial or pilot partner.

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January 10 | San Francisco

WinterTech

Health 2.0's WinterTech is back for its 4th annual conference in conjunction with JP Morgan Week in San Francisco on January 10. Join over 500 health tech decision makers including health providers, health tech investors, entrepreneurs, policy makers, and start-ups for a day of in-depth discussions on the invest trends that will impact the new technology healthcare landscape in 2018, and live product demos.

Plus, start-ups can strengthen their networking opportunities by attending the exclusive [Investor Breakfast](#) —an opportunity for start-ups to discuss business models, examine trends, and explore portfolios with the industry's top investors before the conference kickoff.

[Click here](#) to apply.

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