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## Announcing the 2018 Gala & Awards Honorees!

**TRANSFORMATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD**

 **Michael Dowling**  
President & CEO  
Northwell Health

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**2018 HONOREES**

 **Linda Lambert, CAE**  
Executive Director, New York State  
Chapter of the American College  
of Physicians

 **Ido Schoenberg, MD**  
Chairman & CEO  
American Well

 **Roy Schoenberg  
MD, MPH**  
President & CEO  
American Well

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**MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

 **Max Gomez, MD**  
Senior Medical Correspondent  
CBS News

We're pleased to announce the honorees for our [Gala & Awards](#) being held **Tuesday, November 27th** in New York City.

Hosted by NYeC's [Board of Directors](#), the Gala & Awards serve to recognize and honor the achievements of those leading the mission to improve healthcare through technology.

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## Behavioral Health Information Technology Implementation in New York State

In May 2018, NYeC concluded their work on the New York State Department of Health's Behavioral Health Information Technology (BHIT) program. The BHIT program provided technical assistance and support to Adult Behavioral Health—Home and Community-Based Services (BH HCBS) providers in the transition to and adoption of health information technology.

Our new report details the strategic approach taken by NYeC, highlighting key activities, achievements, and lessons learned through the successful completion of this program. Through the BHIT program, 114 organizations, representing over 2,000 HCBS staff members, adopted, or upgraded an electronic medical record and billing system to capture their case documentation in real-time and bill for their services to Medicaid Managed Care.

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## Insights from Subject Matter Expert Roundtable on SHIN-NY Policies and Research

On August 2, 2018, representatives of the SHIN-NY Policy Committee Research Tiger Team, the New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC), and the New York State Department of Health (DOH) met with experts to explore the use of clinical data for research purposes. A diverse group of experts participated, representing academia, clinical public health, pharma, and SPARCS research areas and both identifiable and de-identified data was discussed.

The goal of the roundtable was to determine if the Privacy and Security Policies and Procedures for Qualified Entities and their participants in New York State (the “SHIN-NY Policies”) need to be revised in order to promote research and, if so, how the SHIN-NY Policies should be revised. Participants agreed that data available in the SHIN-NY can be useful to research and that, depending on the project, either identifiable data or de-identified data can be useful.

Before the next SHIN-NY Policy Committee Meeting, the SHIN-NY Policy Committee Research Tiger Team will meet to review and discuss further implications of the discussions to provide recommendations for options to policy changes.

## Promoting Health Information Exchange (HIE) for Medicaid MU & PCMH Providers



On September 24, 2018 our [Healthcare Advisory Professional Services \(HAPS\)](#) and [Data Exchange Incentive Program \(DEIP\)](#) teams hosted a Promoting Health Information Exchange (HIE) for Medicaid MU & PCMH Providers event in Buffalo, NY. This collaborative event highlighted some of NYeC's provider assistance programs, including [Medicaid Eligible Professional Program \(EP2\)](#) and [Patient-Centered Medical Home \(PCMH\)](#), all of which aim to help providers reach their HIE potential through Promoting Interoperability (formerly known as Meaningful Use) education, EHR utilization and optimization, and practice transformation. The event was a success and each team was able to reach out to eligible providers in the area, detailing services offered and how we collectively enable providers with the skills to become active participants in the [Statewide Health Information Network for New York \(SHIN-NY\)](#), connect with a [Qualified Entity \(QE\)](#), and continue on a path towards achieving value-based care.

Thank you to all who participated and helped make this a successful event!

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## Apple Unveils Watch Series 4 with FDA-Approved ECG



Apple recently announced the Apple Watch Series 4 with ECG features cleared by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Additionally, the new Apple Watch includes several other health features such as an atrial fibrillation-detecting algorithm, irregular heart rhythm alert, and fall detection.

Apple Chief Operating Officer Jeff Williams also announced that the Watch will alert users to low heart rates in addition to high ones. But the far bigger news is the ECG, which is accomplished by adding electrodes to the digital crown and the back of the Watch. It takes about 30 seconds for a user to take an ECG, which is then stored in Apple's Health app. This means, via Apple Health Records, some users will also be able to send readings directly to their doctors.

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(Source: [Healthcare IT News](#))

## Join Our Team!

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## HEALTHeLINK Medical Minute on the SHIN-NY



As a part of their Medical Minute video series, HEALTHeLINK Executive Director Dan Porreca discusses HIE connectivity across the state through the [Statewide Health Information Network for New York \(SHIN-NY\)](#).

[WATCH THE VIDEO](#)

(Source: HEALTHeLINK)

## Patients Interested in Telehealth Tech, But Improvements Are Key



Although patient interest in telehealth and other virtual health tools is there, healthcare organizations will need to improve their integration and delivery of these tools to garner meaningful adoption, as reported by *Patient Engagement HIT*.

According to a new report issued by Deloitte, many patients have expressed interest in digital health tools. Fifty-nine percent of respondents use technology to request medication refills and 42% use technology to measure and monitor health and fitness.

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(Source: *Patient Engagement HIT*)

## Join NYeC for National Health IT Week October 8-12

[U.S. National Health IT Week \(NHIT Week\)](#) is a nationwide awareness initiative focused on catalyzing actionable change within the U.S. health system through the application of information and technology. This year's NHIT Week is October 8th-12th.

Founded by HIMSS and the Institute for e-Policy in 2006, the week-long celebration is comprised of partner-driven activities and events led by the efforts of national health stakeholders. Participants range from the White House Administration, congressional, federal and state agencies, providers, and non-profit organizations, among others. NYeC is proud to again join the list of collaborators as a partner for this year's NHIT Week!

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## NYeC Healthcare Advisory Professional Services

### FYI: EP2 Program Updates!

The New York Medicaid EHR Incentive Program deadline for Modified Stage 2 and Stage 3 Meaningful Use (MU) attestations via the MEIPASS system is fast approaching! Please log into MEIPASS and submit your attestation by **October 15, 2018** for Payment Year 2017.

The [Medicaid Eligible Professional Program \(EP2\)](#) team will be hosting an educational webinar regarding patient portal engagement strategies. The patient portal tool encourages users to actively participate in their healthcare. It can also help meet thresholds for various Promoting Interoperability (formerly known as Meaningful Use) objectives in the NY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program.

Please join us on **October 17, 2018** to learn more! You can register through the following link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7221776383196689665>

To enroll and receive the complimentary support services offered through the EP2 program, please contact the EP2 team at [EP2Info@nyehealth.org](mailto:EP2Info@nyehealth.org).

### New York State Patient-Centered Medical Home (NYS PCMH) Recognition Program

The New York State Patient-Centered Medical Home (NYS PCMH) recognition program improves primary care through care coordination, population health, evidence-based guidelines, and effective use of health information technology to meet patient needs. NYeC offers [free NYS PCMH services](#) to help practices deliver high-quality, coordinated care, earn payment incentives, prepare to thrive under value-based payment arrangements, and achieve New York State Patient-Centered Medical Home recognition.

NYeC, with our partners, supports practices in Western New York, Westchester, Rockland, New York City, and Long Island.

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