

Valerie Grey Named City & State New York Honoree



New York eHealth Collaborative Executive Director Valerie Grey has been named among the 2019 City & State New York's Above & Beyond Award Winners.

Each year, City & State New York honors 30 women who exhibit exemplary leadership

in their fields and have made important contributions to society in the sectors of business, public service, media, nonprofit, and healthcare.

Grey commented on the greater purpose of leading an organization focused on healthcare information exchange, "It really is about the mission of ensuring that people's comprehensive medical information is available, because it can make such a huge difference. If (healthcare) providers can have what they need, when they need it, where they need it, I think we can make amazing strides in terms of better healthcare and reduced costs."

Undoubtedly, Val was a natural fit for this award and we at NYeC are proud of her accomplishments. Congratulations, Val!



NYeC staff in attendance at the Above & Beyond Awards recognition event (from left): Alison Birzon, Cindy Sutliff, Nicole Casey, and Alex Fitz-Blais.

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HEALTHeLINK Improves Patient Outcomes in WNY



HEALTHELINK Executive Director Daniel Porreca penned an op-ed for *The Buffalo News* reflecting on the value of health information technology for physicians and the impact it has on improving patient care and outcomes.

Read more about HEALTHeLINK and SHIN-NY's impact on Western

New York over the past 10 years.

HEALTHELINK OP-ED

Hixny: Cardiologist Reflects on Value of HIE



Hixny recently featured Dr. Vincent Wong of Albany Associates in Cardiology, a practice of St. Peter's Health Partners Medical Associates, on his perspective of EHR:

"The more informed I am in advance, the more that information translates into preventing unnecessary testing or ordering of medications. It helps avoid the situation where, 'If I had known that, I wouldn't have done that."

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HITAC Meeting with Dr. Don Rucker



On March 19, members of the <u>Health Information</u> <u>Technology Advisory Committee (HITAC)</u> gathered as part of the committee's meetings in Washington, D.C. Committee members met with Dr. Don Rucker (pictured: bottom row, center), National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, to discuss recently proposed regulations of the 21st Century Cures Act.

As a HITAC member, NYeC Executive Director Valerie Grey (pictured: back row, second from right), serves on several task forces including the Information Blocking, Assurances, and Communications Conditions of Certification Task Force; Interoperability Standards Priorities Task Force; and NPRM U.S. Core Data for Interoperability Task Force.

NYeC is working with stakeholders to develop and submit a comprehensive and coordinated comment to the proposed policy changes as part of our advocacy efforts.

SHIN-NY Connections Initiative (SCI) Extended

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) recently granted a one-year funding extension for the SHIN-NY Connections Initiative (SCI). The program provides funding to organizations enrolled in New York State's model of Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) to connect to one of the state's Qualified Entities (QE) and exchange health data through the Statewide Health Information for Network (SHIN-NY). Similar to the Data Exchange Incentive Program, another program managed by NYeC on behalf of NYSDOH, SCI is designed to help defray the cost for an organization connecting to a QE.

Eligible organizations now have until January 31, 2020 to complete SCI program milestones. SCI funding is limited and operated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, please email **connectionsinitiative@nyehealth.org**.

EHR Alert Optimization at St. Jude Reduces Alarm Fatigue



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A team at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital recently set out to optimize EHR alerts and reduce fatigue among clinicians. Researchers uncovered the most common alerts that weren't applicable to care and modified those alerts using three different methods for improvement.

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- Program Specialist
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EP2 MEIPASS WEBINAR OFFERED

In continued support of the Medicaid Eligible Professional Program (EP2), an initiative on behalf of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), the HAPS EP2 team is hosting a Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Administrative Support Service (MEIPASS) webinar on Thursday, May 2, at 11:30 a.m. This webinar will review a number of pre-attestation steps providers should take to ensure successful submissions of their 2018 attestations.

EP2 is a NYSDOH initiative providing complimentary education, assistance, and support for achieving Promoting Interoperability (formerly Meaningful Use) objectives with your ONC-certified electronic health record (EHR).

To date, the EP2 team has enrolled and provided free assistance to over 2,600 eligible providers throughout New York State. If you're a New York State Medicaid provider planning to attest for the 2018 reporting year in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program and would like further details, please contact the EP2 team at EP2Info@nyehealth.org.

WEBINAR REGISTRATION

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. Services are available to practices new to PCMH, practices who are renewing their PCMH recognition, and CPC+ practices.

To date, NYeC has assisted 39 practices in achieving NYS PCMH recognition and we are working with many more. Space in the program is limited and time-sensitive so enroll today!

Contact NYeC's team today to learn more!

Partner Events and Opportunties



Friday, May 17, 2019 | New York City

Crain's Health Care Summit: Empowering Patients—How New York Can Build a Patient-Centered Health System

To look at some of the efforts underway to bring pricing information to patients, Crain's New York Business will call on experts from the payer, provider, and patient advocacy communities. The event will include a discussion of the types of information patients need to access high-value care.

Use discount code **NYEC19** for \$25 off individual tickets.

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