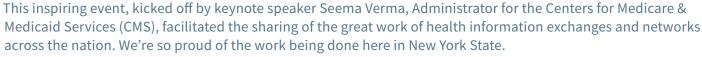


#### **Executive Director's Message**

Greetings,

As we head into the fall, I wanted to take the opportunity to share what we've been up to this summer at NYeC. And a busy summer it was!

In mid-August a few NYeC staff members and myself had the pleasure of attending the Strategic Health Information Exchange Collaborative's (SHIEC) <u>5th Annual Conference</u>.



Hot off the heels of SHIEC was The Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT's (ONC) <u>3rd Interoperability Forum</u>. Conversations at the event centered on learning from others about recent advancements toward interoperability and identifying actions in response to current interoperability barriers.

We look forward to continued conversation around health technology advancements as we enter <u>National Health IT Week</u>, September 23-27. This year's theme of Supporting Healthy Communities is one we take to heart as we continue to enhance and grow our strong HIE foundation across New York State with our Qualified Entity (QE) partners and industry stakeholders.

Lastly, excitement is growing as we head towards our 8th annual Gala & Awards on November 20 in New York City. This evening is such a great opportunity to bring together fellow healthcare leaders and celebrate the successes of those leading advancements in our field. We have a great honoree line up this year: Dr. Mitchell Katz from NYC Health + Hospitals, Glenn Hutchins from Silver Lake Partners, and Dr. Marilyn Fraser from the Arthur Ashe Institute. We're fortunate to have NY1's Cheryl Wills as this year's host. We hope to welcome many new and familiar faces this November!

Wishing you a happy season filled with your favorite fall things and, I hope, a few New York apples.

Take care,

Executive Director

New York eHealth Collaborative

### We're Counting Down, Can We Count on You?

The countdown is on — just eight weeks until the NYeC Gala & Awards! Join us for an evening of celebration as we honor the achievements of those improving healthcare through groundbreaking leadership and innovation.



## How NYeC Worked with CityMD to Transform Their Practice



CityMD, a physician-led urgent care company in the New York City Metro area, is dedicated to an exceptional experience for every patient that walks through its doors by delivering high-quality care, a high patient experience, and at as low a cost as possible.

To further this experience, CityMD partnered with the New York eHealth Collaborative to develop the competencies needed for practice transformation through the Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (TCPI). In his own words, CityMD's Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Frank Illuzzi, remarks on the partnership.

**WATCH VIDEO** 

### Benefits of Health Information Exchanges Transcending Geographical Boundaries



Yuk-Wah Chan, MD, a family physician, highlights the SHIN-NY as an example of enabling the collaboration and coordination of patient care beyond regional boundaries by connecting QEs for a statewide HIE —

"When making decisions on patient care, physicians need the most comprehensive healthcare information available, which requires access to real-time and accurate patient information not limited to a specific office or geographical border. A patient-centric approach to HIEs that allows data to move across borders as freely as patients themselves is critical for improving the delivery and cost of care at both the provider and state level."

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# A Strategic Approach to HIE Strength



Hixny CEO Mark McKinney discusses Hixny's 2019 business plan and evaluates how it has adapted to changing priorities within the health information exchange industry —

"All of these efforts reflect a major shift in thinking about our goals. We used to be focused on getting providers connected and their data flowing. Now, the industry is maturing and moving away from a singular focus on reaching a critical mass of connections. Instead, providers and health information exchanges (HIEs) like Hixny are collaborating to make data meaningful, actionable and useful, so that it can be used more effectively."

**FULL STORY** 

# HEALTHeLINK Executive Director Awarded SHEIC 2019 Leadership Award



Dan Porreca, Executive Director of HEALTHeLINK, is the recipient of the 2019 Leadership Award from the **Strategic Health Information Exchange Collaboration** (SHIEC). The award, which recognizes leadership in advancing the health information exchange industry nationally or in a specific region, was presented at the SHIEC 2019 Annual Conference held recently in National Harbor, MD. SHIEC is the national collaborative of health information exchanges. It is comprised of more than 70 HIE member organizations that manage and provide for the secure digital exchange of health data for hospitals, health care providers and other participants of the healthcare ecosystem.

Congratulations, Dan!

# News 8 WROC on Rochester RHIO's Clinical Health Data Report



News 8 WROC covers Rochester RHIO's *Community Health Indicators Report*, which was developed and is supported by the University of Rochester Medical Center's Clinical & Translational Science Institute and Center for Community Health Prevention. **The report** includes access to maps and information that can help the community better understand its health successes and where it needs to improve.

**WATCH VIDEO** 

### **Join Our Team!**

Healthcare is undergoing an unprecedented transformation through digital health — do you want to be at the center of it in New York State?

#### **Albany Opportunities**

Communications Intern

#### **New York City Opportunities**

- Data Analytics Intern
- Head of Infrastructure Operations
- IT Support Technician

NYeC is an equal opportunity employer.

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# Healthix Success Story: Family Service League



Family Service League (FSL), one of the largest behavioral health service providers on Long Island, utilizes Healthix Data Availability and Clinical Alerts to better coordinate care for its clients who often require immediate, compassionate interventions. This story profiles a patient who reached out to FSL feeling rejected and, with access to the patient's electronic record through Healthix, FSL was able to quickly create a treatment plan.

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### **NYeC RFI Posting**

NYeC has issued a Request for Information (RFI) to vendors who provide software solutions that allow individual patients to access their personal health records from multiple providers. The RFI will help SHIN-NY stakeholders survey the current state of available technologies, and help inform decisions going forward as to how the SHIN-NY can help empower patients through access to data.

Software vendors with available solutions are encouraged to respond by October 23, 2019 to the RFI, which can be found on our **website**.

#### **National Health IT Week**



Founded in 2006 by HIMSS and the Institute for e-Policy, this weeklong celebration promotes health through the power of information and technology. National Health IT Week partners and national health stakeholders collaborate throughout the week to hold events and activities demonstrating the power of health information technology for positive outcomes.

This year's theme of Supporting Healthy Communities, including population health, public health infrastructure, and social determinants. The data and technology involved in elevating these goals has already made significant leaps and bounds over the years, leading to lowered costs for higher-quality patient care.

NYeC is a proud partner of NHIT Week and we are excited to be among **so many leaders in health IT** raising attention to the transformation of healthcare through technology across the country.

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# HIMSS CEO Hal Wolf: Healthcare Industry has Turned a 'Significant Corner' on Interoperability



Hoping to reduce clinician burden, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is proposing a new framework for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS). The new framework, MIPS Value Pathways (MVPs), streamlineof value, increased patient involvement, and reduced clinician burdens as they move toward Alternative Payment Models.

**FULL STORY** 

# HIE Adoption through the Data Exchange Incentive Program (DEIP)

The New York State Department of Health (DOH), with support from Centers for Medicare Medicaid Services (CMS), has established the Data Exchange Incentive Program (DEIP) to increase HIE adoption across the state for eligible Medicaid providers.

Through DEIP, organizations are incentivized to contribute a pre-defined set of data elements to the Statewide Health Information Network (SHIN-NY) through a Qualified Entity. This program is designed to help defray the cost for an organization when connecting and contributing data to a QE.

This program runs through September 30, 2020. Limited funding is available, and this program is operated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Learn more about DEIP eligibility and requirements.

## **NYeC Healthcare Advisory Professional Services**

#### **Promoting Interoperability Program — Improving Healthcare Delivery**

Eligible Providers can qualify for financial incentives by achieving care quality milestones.

Formerly known as Meaningful Use, the Promoting Interoperability Program focuses on continuing to maximize the use of health IT to promote clinical effectiveness and efficiencies, notably through health information exchange and interoperability.

With subject matter expertise and a direct relationship with the New York State Department of Health, NYeC's Medicaid Eligible Professional Program (EP2) Team is ready to be your partner in navigating the ins and outs of Stage 3 Promoting Interoperability (formerly Meaningful Use), the third and final phase of the New York Medicaid EHR Incentive Program!

Be sure to take advantage of the complimentary support and services provided by the EP2 Team to prepare for this advanced stage of reporting.

- Readiness Assessment
- Promoting Interoperability Attestation Support
- Education and Training
- Audit Readiness and Preparation
- HIE Connectivity

Reach out today to speak with an EP2 Team member EP2info@nyehealth.org, 646-619-6741 or nyehealth.org/EP2.

#### **Upcoming Learning Opportunities:**

#### **WEBINAR: Public Health Reporting**

**DATE**: October 2, 2019 • 1:00 p.m.

**DESCRIPTION:** This presentation is designed to help providers participating in the NY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, a CMS Promoting Interoperability Program, understand the Stage 3 Promoting Interoperability (formerly Meaningful Use) requirements for the public health reporting objective.

**REGISTER TODAY** 

#### **WEBINAR: eCQM Overview 2019**

**DATE**: October 29, 2019 • 9:30 a.m.

**DESCRIPTION:** This presentation discusses programs that require eCQM reporting and reviews the alignment between these requirements across programs.

**REGISTER TODAY** 

### **NYeC** to See You!



The NYeC team at our annual off-site gathering this year at Chelsea Piers in NYC.









