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2016 – The Year Ahead!

Our more than 2,000 members across more than 300 organizations continue working on many inter-related and inter-dependent initiatives in healthcare all focused on the most important goal and objective – improved patient care and outcome. The word cloud illustrates some of the many initiatives in a rapidly changing healthcare environment. Market forces abound with many mergers and acquisitions requiring integration of people and technical infrastructures further stressing an already stressed healthcare delivery system. Interoperability between healthcare information technologies and devices is even more significant as healthcare operations are streamlined. Persistent cybersecurity threats and breaks require constant vigilance to protect patient health information (PHI) for all data in storage and in-transit. It is going to be another fun filled and exciting year ahead for all!

Effecting Change Requires All Organizational Levels!

Successful enterprise-wide change requires all levels of an organization to be fully engaged and committed to change. We have all heard "the only thing constant is change." Success is optional. The word cloud represents the diversity of professional roles among our chapter's membership. Effective, efficient and optimal use of Healthcare Information Technologies [HIT] is analogous to a strong and well-functioning heart. Lack of coordination between all stakeholders can result in problems similar to cardiovascular diseases – hypertension, dysrhythmias, myocardial infarctions or cardiac arrest. How many of us have experienced panic when the "system" does not work? Mutual understanding among and between all levels of clinical and technical professionals is paramount. After all, a patient's life depends on all of us working together.

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President's Message—Rick Sughrue

HIMSSNYS President Rick Sughrue

2016 promises to be yet another exciting year as we endeavor to continually advance implementation of and interoperability among expanding healthcare information technologies used within our state and country's healthcare delivery system. Payment reform with increased risk-sharing will continue. Many members are participating in our state's DSRIP program. Persistent cybersecurity threats/breaks keep many of us awake at night. Telehealth initiatives allow patients and their healthcare teams to be more connected than ever before. Chronic Care and Population Health management initiatives have become more important (1.4M+ diabetics in NYS!). Our Leadership team has created more educational and networking opportunities for you to learn, collaborate, share experiences and best practices. Check our Events Calendar frequently! Volunteer your time and expertise to serve in our chapter. You can write an article, engage in social media, present a topic, serve on a committee, and invite colleagues to join our committees and chapter. We value our sponsors' financial support to help bring more events to you! #HIMSSNYS and #HIMSS16 are your health IT conferences!

Let me know how you can help support our chapter at Rick.Sughrue@HealthIT360.com.

Engage us by tweeting

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The End is Near – But It's Only the Beginning

"The Meaningful Use program as has existed, will now be effectively over and replaced with something better."

Don't take my word for it, that's a direct quote from a speech given by Acting CMS Administrator Andy Slavitt January 12 at the J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference in San Francisco. His speech wasn't specific, but it was clear that the Meaningful Use program had served its purpose and would be ending sometime in 2016. Meaningful Use had a tremendous impact in how healthcare is delivered, expanding the use of EMR's to virtually every care setting.
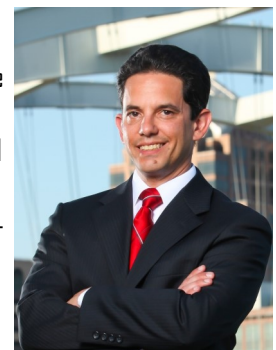
So what's next? Those details should become clear in the next several months; but he did offer some insight about the themes that will be guiding the new program:

- Providers will no longer be rewarded for simply using technology. The new program will require providers to show their use of technology is achieving better outcomes.
- The program won't have a standard set of measures and goal that all providers must meet. Providers will be able to customize their goals around their practice needs.
- They will be redefining the technology requirements in order to provide more flexibility in using EHR data across apps, analytic tools and other technology.
- They plan to raise the bar on interoperability.

His speech addressed some other changes to CMS programs such as: The Next Generation ACO model; continued growth and redefinition of Medicaid programs; and securing the long term stability of the Health Insurance Marketplace. While all of these initiatives are important, and likely to have a big impact, I think the end of the Meaningful Use program is the most surprising. It will be interesting to see what 2016 holds; I'm confident there will be some big announcements from CMS at HIMSS16.

Contact President-Elect John Schrenker at Schrenker_John@roberts.edu

John Schrenker

The New York Chapter 2016 Scholarship Program *Call for Volunteers!*

Susan Rueckwald

The NYS HIMSS Chapter is once again holding the Scholarship Program. Susan Rueckwald, NYS HIMSS Chapter Co-Secretary is leading the efforts as Committee Chair.

If chapter members are interested in volunteering to serve on the Scholarship Committee, please *contact Susan at susan.rueckwald@outlook.com.*

Established and funded by the HIMSS New York Chapter in 2014 these awards are provided to financially assist a college student.

Scholarship Details:

♦ Two scholarships will be awarded:

♦ $2,500 for a Graduate or Doctorate level student

♦ $1,500 for Bachelors or Associate's level student

♦ Winners will also be provided with a one year membership to HIMSS

♦ The scholarship will be announced prior to the New York State annual Mini-HIMSS conference in New York City

Time for Change- A Student's Perspective

Joshua Nubla

The New Year always allows for a time for new beginnings, new opportunities, and new challenges. As a student, it is paramount to find out what career you will want to pursue to begin your life of new beginnings. That can mean being more involved in your academics, joining more extra-curricular activities such as in

sports, organizations or volunteering for the community, even part-time work and internships can help you learn about what you would like to do in life. A student should explore all of these avenues to determine the best path for them. Working with HIMSS has allowed me to discover what I wanted to do in the health and tech-

nology fields. For anyone to find their career and "calling" is a journey unto itself, but it always starts with the first step.

Contact our Student Liaison, Josh Nubla, at Joshua.Nubla@acphs.edu

2016: The Year Ahead in Healthcare Finance

The upcoming year will continue the evolution of several topics at the forefront of HIT and financial services. These include ACOs, ICD-10, and Cybersecurity.

CMS recently launched the Next Generation ACO model an evolution from the lessons learned in the Pioneer ACO model. Targeted to experienced ACOs, it enables higher levels of risk and reward.

The 2016 HIMSS conference offers several opportunities to understand upcoming changes.

ICD-10: March 30 will mark 180 days from the October 1, 2015 cutover date. Although some carriers have extended Timely Filing requirements, the need to submit compliant claims for DOS prior to October 1st 2015 will become increasingly urgent. The 2016 HIMSS Conference

will be hosting several informative sessions on industry experience.

Cybersecurity: Revenue cycle systems are prime targets for hackers seeking financial Protected Information. This is an increasingly acute challenge facing our industry. Fortunately, new collaborations are underway. Discover Privacy and Security thought leadership at the 2016 HIMSS Conference.

Cybersecurity

Cybersecurity Bills are moving through Congress and the NYS Legislature. Cybersecurity is one of the three "Congressional Asks" during last fall's HIMSS Public Policy Summit on Capitol Hill. Contact Rick.Sughrue@HealthIT360.com, if you're interested in serving on our chapter's Advocacy Committee.

The legislative Bills mentioned in the following article, originally published by HIMSS February 2015, are moving through the NYS Senate legislative process. Members can learn more about these and other Bills by visiting The New York State Senate.

NY Senate Passes Legislation Targeting Cyber Terrorism

February 27, 2015 – From HIMSS.org

On February 25, the New York State Senate passed four bills to crack down on cyber terrorism and its rapidly expanding threat to the state's security and finances. Senator Thomas Croci's legislation would enact tougher penalties for cyber-related crimes, create cyber security programs to identify potential risks and threats, and require the state to perform a comprehensive review of all its cyber security measures every five years.

In a New York State Senate press release on the bills, Senator Croci said, "Computer security breaches are one of the most serious threats to our national defense, our state's homeland security, and the personal privacy of every New Yorker. These bills increase penalties for cyber crimes, help protect the vital information of private citizens, and provide a framework to make New York State's computer infrastructure the most secure in the nation. New Yorkers live every day with the knowledge that we are a primary target for

terrorism, including computer-based terrorism. They should be equally confident in our capacity to overcome these challenges."

The four measures that passed were:

Senate Bill 3407 establishes the New York State Cyber Security Initiative to ensure that the state has a proper cyber security defense system in place; including The New York State Cyber Security Sharing and Threat Prevention Program to increase the state's quality and readiness of cyber threat information that will be shared with the public and private sectors; a New York State Cyber Security Critical Infrastructure Risk Assessment Report to seek recommendations from experts to identify security threats facing the state, its businesses, and its citizens, as well as develop effective ways to combat these security threats; and the New York State Cyber Security Advisory Board, which assists the state in making recommendations and finding ways to protect its critical infrastructure and information systems, being codified into law.

Senate Bill 3404 creates new penalties for cyber crimes, such as making it a Class A felony for any person found guilty of intimidating, coercing, or affecting the public or a government entity by

causing mass injury, damage, or debilitation of people or their property, including computers and related programs, data networks, or material.

Senate Bill 3406 makes it a Class B felony for those who use a computer or device to carry out a cyber attack when such an attack causes financial harm in excess of $100,000 to another person, partnership, or corporation, individually or collectively.

Senate Bill 3405 requires the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to work with the Superintendent of State Police, the Chief Information Officer, and the President of the Center for Internet Security to complete a comprehensive review of New York's cyber security measures every five years, and create a sequential report to summarize its findings. The report would identify the state's security needs and detail how those needs are being met to ensure that the best security practices are in place to protect New Yorkers from cyber terrorism.

HIMSS16 Conference Links of interest:

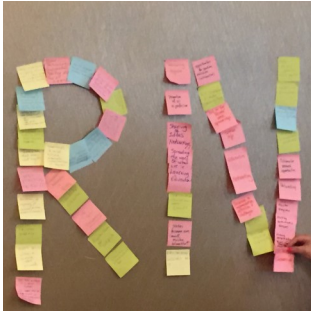Cybersecurity Symposium

Cybersecurity Command Center

HIMSSNYS Chapter Members at Healthcare Cybersecurity Roundtable University of Buffalo August 5th

Nursing Community

Building on our momentum from 2015, our NYS Nursing Committee is in full swing and we are looking forward to an exciting and productive 2016! We have held two meetings to organize our efforts and have made great plans for the year ahead.

We agreed to hold monthly meetings using a webinar format. Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month from 5-6PM EST. Member feedback was reviewed and information sharing between nurses was of most interest. Each monthly meeting will include an educational topic shared by one of our members. We have five slotted already for this year so please let us know if you have interest in presenting a topic to our nursing group. We created a roster and established a site for document sharing which will not only include agendas and minutes, but also a place to share work and personal interests as we get to know one another.

We are looking forward to a strong showing at the HIMSS16 Nursing Informatics Symposium: Shifting from Implementation to Optimization on February 29, 2016. Learn more at Nursing Informatics. See you there!

As more roles for nurses emerge in the areas of information technologies, we believe the education, awareness and collaboration will be of utmost importance in the year ahead. We would like to extend a special invitation to become a part of this effort. Any nurse involved with or interested in IT initiatives is encouraged to join us!

Please contact our Nursing Committee Co-Chairs for additional information or interest :

MaryAnn Connor MSN RN-BC CPHIMS, Director, Nursing Informatics

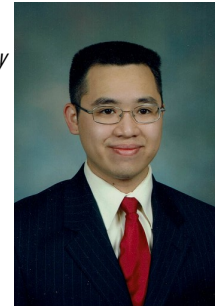Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center *connorm@MSKCC.ORG*

Vicky Tiase MSN RN-BC, IT Director, Informatics Strategy

New York Presbyterian Hospital *vtiase@nyp.org*

Pharmacy Community

Our chapter's pharmacy community is growing! Contact Pharmacy professionals in your organization and ask them to be part of this growing community.

We are putting together an online Pharmacy Committee Open House for Pharmacy professionals using WebEx after HIMSS16. Send me an email of your key topics of interest that I will summarize and distribute prior to this meeting.

Pharmacy Committee Co-Chair William Yu, RPh, BCPS, Informatics Pharmacist, Winthrop-University Hospital at wyu@winthrop.org.

William Yu

Physician Community

The New York Academy of Medicine hosted an evening with Dr. Ken Ong, the editor of Medical Informatics: An Executive Primer, Third Edition along with many of the book's author including Keith Richard Weiner, RN, MSc; Jan Oldenburg; Virginia Lorenzi; Ken Ong, MD, MPH, FACP, FIDSA, CPHIMS, FHIMSS; Salvatore Volpe, MD, FAAP, FACP, CHCQM; and Curtis L. Cole, MD, FACP.

Contact Dr. Sam Amirfar, Physician Committee Co-Chair to get involved! samamirfar@gmail.com

Keith Richard Weiner, RN, MSc; Jan Oldenburg; Virginia Lorenzi; Ken Ong, MD, MPH, FACP, FIDSA, CPHIMS, FHIMSS; Salvatore Volpe, MD, FAAP, FACP, CHCQM; and Curtis L. Cole, MD, FACP. Photo courtesy of Dr. Sal Volpe

WEBINAR: Feb 18

Reputation & Risk: Corporate Reputation & Social Media in Healthcare

The program promises to deliver value packed information at a discounted rate for HIMSS members while offering 3 CEs towards CAHIMS & CPHIMS Continuing Education. Member - $179, Non-member - $229.

For registration, Go to HIMSSNYS.

Visit HIMSS to become a member.

Why attend?

This seminar will offer you new ways to think about your social media policy and procedures while using it to increase brand image and competitive positioning. Every organization needs to address the situation adequately and avoid regulatory violation or damage as with HIPAA. But using too heavy a hand could run into trouble with labor laws. There is a limit to employer's control over employees. Employers must be careful not to violate employee privacy rights and/or rights under the National Labor Relations Act.

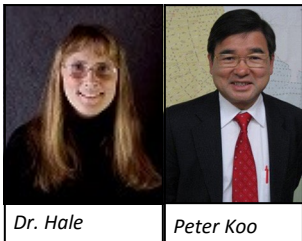Further, we firmly believe that adopting a "blanket" social media policy will limit your organization's success more than assist it from avoiding harm. We are in the age of an exponential rise of high technical innovations to include communications, technologies and education. The 3-part webinar will be your first step towards understanding the breadth and scope of this topic for your organization to succeed.

Additional Information available at Healthcare Technical Solutions, LLC

WEBINAR: Feb 23 "Getting ready for electronic prescribing and EPCS"

Dr. Hale   *Peter Koo*

The webinar is an open discussion on ePrescribing and EPCS (Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances). Dr. Patricia Hale will discuss operational/logistical issues. Peter Koo, CEO and President of Starside Pharmacy, will talk about any legal issues (i.e. when can pharmacists accept paper prescriptions, etc.).

Patricia L. Hale MD, PhD, FACP, FHIMSS, has been active in many national informatics initiatives and is co-author of several textbooks and reports on electronic health records and electronic prescribing as well as editor of a book on electronic prescribing for clinicians published by HIMSS. She presently serves on the HIMSS North America Board of Directors and is currently Associate Medical Director for Informatics at Albany Medical Center.

Peter Koo was elected to the New York City Council representing the 20th District in Queens in November 2009. Peter is the Chair of the Land Use Subcommittee on Landmarks, Public Siting and Maritime Uses, and is a member of the following Committees: Contracts; Cultural Affairs, Libraries & International Intergroup Relations; Health; Immigration; Land Use; and Small Business.

Additional Information about NYS DOH EPCS.

Registration information will be available at HIMSSNYS

Contact Pharmacy Committee Co-Chair William Yu, at wyu@winthrop.org.

WEBINAR: NYS Healthcare Reform Initiative Update: DSRIP

Greg Allen, NYS Medicaid Policy Director, presented an update on the DSRIP program on November 18, 2015.

DSRIP (Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment) is the main mechanism by which New York State will implement the Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) Waiver Amendment. DSRIP´s purpose is to fundamentally restructure the health care delivery system by reinvesting in the Medicaid program, with the primary goal of reducing avoidable hospital use by 25% over 5 years. Up to $6.42 billion dollars are allocated to this program with payouts based upon achieving predefined results in system transformation, clinical management and population health.

While the DSRIP program is well underway and Performing Provider Systems (PPSs) are making great strides with system transformation there is still a vast amount of work that must be completed.

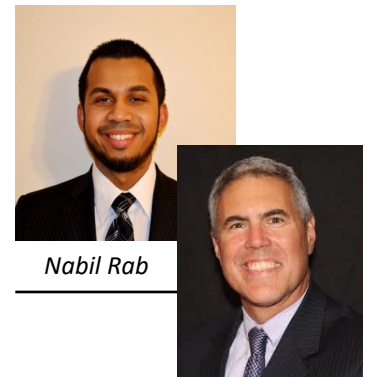We will announce additional updates from Greg Allen during the year.

More information available at:

DSRIP Program

DSRIP Performing Provider Systems

Visit chapter website to view archived webinar.

Want to share your experiences in DSRIP Performing Provider Systems (PPS) with our chapter members as a WebEx topic? Contact our HIE Liaison Nabil Rab at nabil@nabilrab.com

Nabil Rab

Greg Allen

New York State HIMSS16 Chapter Luncheon Reception!

Wednesday March 2, 2016

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Convention Center Room: Bellini 2001

Meet new associates. See old colleagues. Learn more about the New York State HIMSS chapter. The luncheon will feature an update on the Veterans programs presented by Amy Justice, HIMSS National

Veterans Program.

You are invited! Register today at HIMSSNYS as space is limited.

Luncheon Sponsors: iMEDIX

Additional sponsor opportunities available.

Contact Anthony "Tony" Ferrante, Educational & Networking Events Committee Co-Chair at amfjo48@yahoo.com.

Annual Chapter Conference is coming to NYC in June – Announcement at HIMSS16 Luncheon!

We're finalizing plans for our annual "mini-HIMSS" Chapter Conference to be held June 2016 in NYC. The announcement will be made during the HIMSS16 Chapter Luncheon Reception on March 2. Stay tuned! Tony has HIT another home run!

This signature educational and

networking event provides a forum that brings together hundreds of our members from across New York State to learn, collaborate and exchange ideas and best practices. Members value insight from industry leaders on the successes, challenges and opportunities as we continue to advance implementation

of healthcare information technologies used to improve the quality of care and patient outcomes while optimizing spending on healthcare services.

Contact Anthony "Tony" Ferrante, Educational & Networking Events Committee Co-Chair at amfjo48@yahoo.com

Tony Ferrante

Join Event Planning Committee for Western NY Spring 2016!

John Schrenker

Our active Western NY Workgroup is reaching members from Buffalo to Syracuse. We need Chapter Members in this area to volunteer their time and expertise to join our

Event Planning Committee. Help us meet the educational and networking needs of our Nurses, Physicians, Pharmacists, Technology, Security, Veterans, Interoperability and more!

Contact our Western NY Liaison & President-Elect John Schrenker at Schrenker_John@roberts.edu

Certification—CPHIMS & CAHIMS

Certification demonstrates that you meet a standard of professional body of knowledge and reach a milestone in your professional development. Many organizations require that candidates have certification and encourage current employees to obtain certification.

Many of our Chapter members are national committee members. NYS Chapter members of CPHIMS committee are John Schrenker and Eli Tarlow .

Contact our President-Elect John Schrenker at Schrenker_John@roberts.edu

John Schrenker – 5th from Left, Eli Tarlow – 4th from Right

Chapter National Liaison

Well we are starting off 2016 with great momentum within HIMSS continuing to address the necessary aspects delivering high quality healthcare enabled by the technologies and empowering everyone - most importantly the consumer – you and me. HIMSS National will continue to press education, advocacy and empowering its members to provide tools and resources to meet the needs of the industry. I am excited about the topic of patient engagement helping to create positive energies infused to make a difference in the lives we touch. HIMSS will continue to create and support an environment where healthcare outcomes are attainable and sustainable. This year HIMSS will continue to push forward the agenda of enabling, empowering and finally making a strong push to refine healthcare delivery that is practical, used by all and most importantly sustainable. Please reach with any questions or if you would like to get introduced and involved in other Chapters and national events.

Contact Chapter National Liaison at helen.figge@lumira.com .

Helen Figge

New York State's I-STOP mandate effective On March 27, 2016

I-STOP/PMP - Internet System for Tracking Over-Prescribing - Prescription Monitoring Program.

Hear from our Physician Committee Co-Chair Dr. Sam Amifar speak about New York State's I-STOP mandate (effective On March 27, 2016,) requiring electronic prescribing of ALL prescriptions, including controlled substances, goes into effect.

Samuel Amirfar, MD, is the Chief Medical Information Officer and advisor for The Health Situation Room at the Brooklyn Hospital Center where he supports EHR application configuration, population health analytics, and the Wellness Clinic. Dr. Amirfar has published articles in relation to electronic prescribing, clinical decision support systems, the Hub, clinical quality measures, and HIV modeling. Dr. Amirfar also serves on the SHIN-NY/RHIO advisory panel of the Medical Society of the State of New York.

Contact Dr. Sam Amirfar, samamirfar@gmail.com

Additional Webinar Dates:

Jan 27, Feb 17, and Mar 4.

Register at Point-of-Care Partners and CVS/caremark

Sam Amirfar, M.D.

Meet Our Veteran Member—Deborrah Green, AAS, BS, MS, A+/Security+ Certified

She is a Staff Sergeant currently serving in United States Air Force Reserves, now 17.5 years. Her first term as an Airman, was in the Services career field.

SSgt Green enlisted at Dobbins AFB, Marietta GA. Served in the Services career field at Charleston AFB, Charleston, SC for a few months and then transferred to the New Jersey Air National Guard at McGuire AFB, Wrightstown, NJ; after completing her first term, she took a break, then soon after, re-enlisted and into the Medical career field as a Records Administrator in the United States Reserves at McGuire AFB. After realizing her career choice was not a good fit, she transferred in the Information Technology career field as a Cyber Operations Technician at Pope AAF, Fayetteville, NC. Although her unit will be closing soon, Deborrah is looking for new opportunities to complete her military career. She is also in the process of completing her Doctorate in Computer Science and enrolled in the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy (NCOA).

IT Background

I became interested in computers in Junior High School. I pursued Business Administration in High School, but combined my interest in both business and information technology in college. My desire to work with computers went from working on hardware to a desire in networking.

1) How did you get involved in HIMSS?

I learned about HIMSS through the New York City unemployment office in Staten Island, NY. I received a phone call from a gentleman who also served in the military and was assisting me with finding employment. I applied and was thrilled with my acceptance to attend the HIMSS15 conference in April 2015 as a guest of the NY chapter. The opportunity and experience was a blessing and a great learning experience.

2) HIMSSNYS is honored to have sponsored your attendance at HIMSS15. Tell us what you learned at HIMSS15.

As a result of HIMSSNYS sponsoring my attendance at HIMSS15, I learned there are many opportunities in Health IT. There are thousands of company using technology in their business to improve their way of doing business through technology. As companies evolve and rapidly change, they are striving to improve processes in the medical industry. The conference was amazing, I made it a point to visit all of the vendors, attend classes and learn what I could to prepare myself for a new challenge. I left with the tools and information necessary to pursue a career in HIT.

3) Since the conference, tell us about your career search in Health Information Technology.

Since the conference my search for a career search in Health Information Technology has been limited. I went with a high expectancy to network and hopefully find a new job prospect but did not receive any responses to my job applications and inquiries. Many of the opportunities required me to move to another state and that was not possible because of my responsibilities and commitment to the military.

I did not think it would be difficult to enter into a IT career in the Health community since I was employed for eight years at a Health Education School assisting the IT Manager and teaching a variety of medical classes as a part-time adjunct instructor.

As a result, I had to pause my search and refocus because of the many things I have going on in my life. However, if a position presented itself that I was qualified and was a good fit, I would apply.

If you have any questions Deborrah is available on LinkedIn or by email dvgreen@writeme.com

For more information about HIMSS Veterans Career Services Initiative:
HIMSS Veterans Career Services Initiative

For more information about HIMSS Veterans Career Services Boot Camp at HIMSS16 Monday February 29, 2016:
Veterans Career Services Boot Camp

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Volunteer Opportunities:

Find your areas of interest and connect with our chapter's committees! For each of the following opportunities, please send a brief description of your background and a narrative of how you can support our chapter to Member Engagement Committee Co-Chair Marc Russo at mrusso@hellohealth.com.
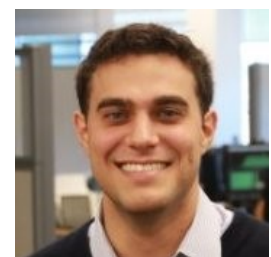

Marc Russo

Educational & Networking Events Committee – Need energetic member(s) to proactively seek out chapter Sponsors that provide important and significant financial support to our Chapter's Educational and Networking Events Program. Member(s) will work closely with Educational & Networking Events Committee Co-Chair Tony Ferrante.

Marketing & Communications Committee –

⇒   Need an energetic Marketing Professional to serve as Committee Co-Chair along with John Waldron. This member will develop our marketing program for Chapter Events.

⇒   Chapter Website Support; Experienced WebEx Administrator for online events

⇒   Newsletter Coordinator/Editor; member with knowledge of Microsoft Publisher for newsletter creation; member(s) with knowledge of Constant Contact and MailChimp.

Pharmacy Committee – Need an energetic Pharmacy Committee Co-Chair to serve along with William Yu on building chapter's growing pharmacy community and developing educational events.

Advocacy Committee – Need 2 energetic Advocacy Committee Co-Chairs to lead growing Advocacy Committee. Interested members will work with HIMSS Public Policy on key issues at NYS and Federal levels. Co-Chairs will also serve on the HIMSS Chapter Advocacy Roundtable Committee. Current topics include Cybersecurity, Interoperability and Telehealth [all "HIMSS Congressional Asks"].

Our Chapter relies on the support of our valued sponsors in order to deliver the activities and initiatives of the HIMSS NYS Chapter. We are committed to providing a venue and a platform for our sponsors to increase visibility, value, potential and accessibility to the HIMSS NYS Chapter in return for financial support so that the Chapter may bring information, education and networking activities to its membership.

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Events Calendar

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January	*NYS Legislative Session Convenes* Fri Jan 8 8-9AM ET [WebEx] Monthly Leadership Team Meeting Tue Jan 12 5-6PM ET [WebEx] Monthly Nursing Committee Meeting
February	Tue Feb 9 5-6PM ET [WebEx] Monthly Nursing Committee Meeting Fri Feb 12 8-9AM ET [WebEx] Monthly Leadership Team Meeting Wed Feb 17 Noon-1PM CT [WebEx] Veterans Career Services Events at HIMSS16 Thr Feb 18 Noon-3PM ET [Webinar] Reputation & Risk: Corporate Reputation& Social Media in Healthcare Tue Feb 23 7-8PM ET [WebEx] "Getting ready for electronic prescribing and EPCS"
Feb/Mar	Mon Feb 29 – Fri Mar 4 HIMSS16 Annual National Conference Las Vegas, NY
March	Wed Mar 2 11AM-1PM PT [Convention Center, Las Vegas] Annual HIMSSNYS Chapter Luncheon Reception Tue Mar 8 5-6PM ET [WebEx] Monthly Nursing Committee Meeting Fri Mar 11 8-9AM ET [WebEx] Monthly Leadership Team Meeting [TBD] [WebEx] Pharmacy Committee Open House
Spring 2016	[TBD] Regional Western NY Conference
April	Fri Apr 8 8-9AM ET [WebEx] Monthly Leadership Team Meeting Tue Apr 12 5-6PM ET [WebEx] Monthly Nursing Committee Meeting
May	Fri May 6 – Thr May 12 National Nurses Week Tue May 10 5-6PM ET [WebEx] Monthly Nursing Committee Meeting Fri May 13 8-9AM ET [WebEx] Monthly Leadership Team Meeting
June	Annual Chapter "Mini-HIMSS" Conference NYC. *Announcement March 2nd.* [TBD] 2016-2017 Annual Chapter Strategic Planning Session *NYS Legislative Session Adjourns*

Social Media

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Have a story for the Newsletter? Submit stories and news items to Newsletter Coordinator Scott Vinci MD at Dr.Scott.Vinci@cdillc.com

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Organizational Affiliate for Healthcare Providers and Agencies

Exclusively for healthcare providers and agencies, the Organizational Affiliate Program offers education and networking for the entire organization—from senior management and clinicians to entry-level staff-- regardless of the total number of employees or their level of technology exposure.

Organizational Affiliate Program

This enterprise-wide program is for every staff member - from physicians and nurses to IT staff and business personnel. The OA program will equip your teams with the highest quality health IT education, professional development resources, and networking opportunities.
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Healthcare Provider Organizational Affiliate	
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Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center	NYU Langone Medical Center
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Montefiore Medical Center	United Health Services

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Academic Organizational Affiliate Program

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