



## Thanks for making this year's Summit of the Southeast a success!

With all kinds of amazing opportunities to network, share knowledge and even enjoy some great live music, it's clear that this year's HIMSS Summit of the Southeast at the Health:Further Festival was a resounding success. Whether you attended as a vendor, member or speaker, you played a key role in this event! We'd also like to send a special thank you to Health:Further and the following sponsors of this year's Summit:



## Upcoming Events



### September 29: Webinar on Supporting Clinician Insight with Data Analytics

Many new data techniques and visualization tools are available to enhance traditional data analysis. This webinar will discuss examples of clinical problems solved with analytics. [Register here.](#)



### October 24: Cybersecurity Breakfast - "Code Talkers & Cybersecurity — What Do They Have in Common?"

Is there a better way to create real security and save money? Join us on as a panel of security experts share their insights on the most common breaches, why they occur, the costs involved and best efforts to mitigate. [Register here.](#)



### December 19: Join Us for the Annual TN HIMSS Holiday Reception

Join TN HIMSS Board of Directors for cocktails and appetizers as we celebrate the holiday season! Sponsorships are available; please contact [Tiffany@tnhimss.org](mailto:Tiffany@tnhimss.org) for more information. [Register here.](#)

## Chapter News

NATIONAL  
**HEALTH  
+ IT WEEK**

Demonstrating the Value of Health IT.

**You know the value –  
now show the world!**

October 2 – 6, 2017

Share your story – [www.healthitweek.org](http://www.healthitweek.org)



#NHITweek  
#IheartHIT

### 2017 National Health IT Week

October 2-6 is National Health IT Week, a nationwide awareness week focused on the value of health IT. Each year, [NHIT Week Partners](#) educate industry and policy stakeholders on the value of HIT for the US healthcare system.

Visit the [website](#) for action items, such as joining the virtual march, participating in the student challenge or sharing your health IT story with #IHEARTHIT. Look for more information from our chapter on NHIT week.



## Hit the gas on your career with Workforce Accelerator

There's more to learn in this industry every day. We offer the TN HIMSS HIT Accelerator, a 14-week certificate program designed to expand your expertise, with classes in Chattanooga and Nashville. The most recent class started on August 28th and we wish them success! [Registration for the Winter class opens soon.](#)



## Introducing the TN HIMSS 2017 Ambassador Team

We recently established an Ambassadors Program where we have identified and partnered with a number of early careerists who are passionate about health IT. This energetic and bold group supports the board on committees and projects and will ensure that our chapter leadership remains strong and focused in the years to come.

- **Ann Howard:** Managing Partner, Centresource
- **Bonnie Bruner:** Clinical Informaticist, Ascension Clinical Research Institute
- **Brian Shake:** Major Account Manager - Tennessee, Fortinet
- **Caleb Graves:** Director of Business Development, Staffing as a Mission
- **Caroline Rogers:** Senior Consultant, C3 Consulting
- **Caroline Chamberlin:** Manager of Marketing, Entrada Health
- **Davis Thrailkill:** Business Intelligence Analyst, MEDHOST
- **John Bybee:** Director of Business Development, SSB
- **Joshua Scales:** Director, Telehealth - Access & Engagement, Lifepoint Health
- **Justin Mooneyhan:** Director, Clinical Technology - Ambulatory/Post-Acute Systems, Lifepoint Health
- **Tyler McGee:** Regional Manager, Healthcare, McAfee
- **Tyler Paslick:** Implementation Specialist, HCA
- **Caleb Dixon:** Senior Director: Business & Analytics Development, Ascension



## Get Involved Today!

The best way to maximize your membership in TN HIMSS is to get involved. There are many committee opportunities available through TN HIMSS, including Membership, Programs, Marketing, Advocacy and more. For information on joining a committee, contact Tiffany Towson at [tiffany@tnhimss.org](mailto:tiffany@tnhimss.org) or by phone at [714-310-0633](tel:714-310-0633).



## Follow Us on Social Media

Did you know that our TN HIMSS community is on social? Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to stay up to date with the latest news and events from our chapter.

[You can also request access to our exclusive LinkedIn group here.](#)

## Newsletter Sponsor



## Industry News

**HCA Healthcare Gives up to \$2 Million for Hurricane Relief in Texas**

HCA Healthcare announced a donation of \$1 million to the American Red Cross to help people affected by Hurricane Harvey. [Read more.](#)

### **TeamHealth provides medical personnel to Houston area**

TeamHealth, a national staffing firm for hospitals, was able to put emergency room personnel on a plane within 24 hours of a disaster striking. [Read more.](#)

### **IASIS Healthcare Sending RN Support to Sister Texas Hospitals**

IASIS Healthcare workers from Arizona, Utah, Northeast Texas, and Colorado flew to Texas to give relief to their counterparts that have been caring for flood victims over the past week. [Read more.](#)

### **Xtend Healthcare announces expansion in healthcare information management**

Xtend Healthcare announced the expansion of its Health Information Management (HIM) technology and consultancy services with the acquisition of ELIPSe. [Read more.](#)

### **Baker Donelson's Health Law Group Earns Multiple Top 3 Rankings**

The Baker Ober Health Law Group at Baker Donelson has earned multiple honors recognizing the group as one of the leading healthcare practices in the United States. [Read more.](#)

### **Sonora Quest Laboratories Partners with CarePayment (Nashville-based company) to Help Patients Pay for Clinical Testing**

New program provides 0% APR payment plans that will allow healthcare consumers to pay their medical expenses over time with no impact to credit. [Read more.](#)

### **MassTech grants EHR vendors thousands to improve child behavioral health data reporting**

Netsmart Technologies, eHana, PsyTech Solutions and Qualifacts Systems (Nashville-based company) get nearly \$200,000 to build pathways for Massachusetts behavioral health providers to electronically submit reportable data. [Read more.](#)

## **Member Spotlight**



### **Rebecca Munn**

**VP of TN HIMSS Senior Executive Collaborative & TN HIMSS Board Leadership Team Member**

**Tell us about a little bit about your work with the TN HIMSS Senior Executive Collaborative.**

The TN HIMSS Senior Executive Collaborative initially named the CXO Initiative, is a unique collection of clinical informatics experts and information officers coming together to share best practices and solve problems in a collaborative way, in an effort to lead continued change and evolution across the continuum of care.

As professionals facing many of the same challenges, the goal is to engage in priority topic discussions, such as readmissions, and

bring together diverse perspectives to collaborative design approaches. Our focus is the following:

- 1) a unique coalition of informatics and information executives in healthcare
- 2) focused on improving the health of our community

- 3) driving clinical performance and outcomes of our delivery through collaboration across functions, and
- 4) proposing improvements that enable financial sustainability

**What excites you about the future of this group? What do you see as the biggest challenges?**

TN HIMSS continues to innovate with the recent HealthFurther collaboration and the inception of the Senior Executive Collaborative this year. It is exciting to be a part of a leadership team who continues to strive to bring high value to its members while being willing to take risks and try new programs. The challenge, as with most efforts, is getting the word out about the high-value programs.

**What do you see as the value of being a TN HIMSS member?**

Getting to network with other healthcare professionals in the informatics and information disciplines, participating in high-value programs and events.

**What advice do you give to other HIMSS members to maximize their membership?**

Getting involved in your passion area would be my advice. TN HIMSS offers regular webinars and educational events that provide valuable content and worthwhile networking opportunities.

**What was your favorite recent TN HIMSS activity or event?**

While our initial launch in March 2017 of the Senior Executive Collaborative was my favorite with over 60 attendees, the Summit of the Southeast, in conjunction with Health:Further, was my most recent favorite.

**What is the last book you read?**

The last book I read was I Moved Your Cheese, by Deepak Malhotra of Harvard Business School. It is a story about mice in the maze, although with some updated thinking related to Innovation and driving your own destiny compared to *Who Moved Your Cheese* published almost 20 years ago. I am also a recent author myself of a memoir, called *The Gift of Goodbye: A Story of Agape Love*.

**What is your favorite place to vacation?**

I am both a beach lover and mountain lover, probably Florida panhandle for beaches and Colorado mountains for snow skiing.

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