

August 2017: TN HIMSS News & Events



Summit of the Southeast: New Keynote Speakers Announced

Get your ticket to Summit of the Southeast at Health:Further! We're pleased to announce the addition of Vi Shaffer to our already rich agenda. Vi is the Healthcare Research Vice President for Gartner, the world's leading IT research and advisory firm. Her presentation title is: "What Will Digital Do For Healthcare? The Hype, The Hope and The Reality In Between."

And don't miss [Corporate Innovation at Health:Further](#), a workshop designed specifically for C-Levels in major healthcare corporations. This workshop tailors content to those executives exploring innovation as a strategic imperative, innovation as a growth strategy, the pace of technology, and how major corporations can work with startups to co-create transformative solutions.

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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.](#)

Chapter News



Blockchain in Healthcare: Q&A with the CEO of Hashed Health

At Summit of the Southeast, John Bass, the CEO of [Hashed Health](#) will present on the disruptive potential of blockchain. We connected with John to find out more about this presentation on blockchain in healthcare and B2B opportunities, successes and challenges, and his Nashville favorites. [Read more.](#)



Hit the gas on your career: Register for Workforce Accelerator today.

Registration ends on Augst 25

Whether you're an old hand at health IT or just starting in this sector, there's more to learn in this industry every day. The TN HIMSS HIT Accelerator is a 14-week certificate program designed to expand your expertise. [We now offer this course in Chattanooga](#), as well as in Nashville. [Register today!](#)



The Summer Social was a Blast!

We had a blast at the TN HIMSS Summer Social with a celebration at Margaritaville on Broadway! Attendees enjoyed networking, live entertainment, and delicious food and drinks!

Thanks to all of our sponsors and for everyone who came out to our Summer Social. Special thanks to our supporting organizations, TN HFMA and Center for Medical Interoperability.



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Industry News

Xtend Healthcare Acquires ELIPSe

Xtend Healthcare, a leading healthcare revenue cycle management company, announced the expansion of its Health Information Management (HIM) technology and consultancy services with the acquisition of ELIPSe. [Read more.](#)

Tristar Centennial Medical Center Announces New COO

Tristar Centennial Medical Center announced today the appointment of its Chief Operating Officer. Justin Coury, MHA, will assume the role overseeing operations for the 657-bed, 43-acre campus located in Nashville on September 1, 2017. [Read more.](#)

Women of Influence: Karen Springer

Karen Springer serves as the Tennessee ministry market executive and president/CEO of Saint Thomas Health and senior vice president of Ascension Health. Saint Thomas Health is comprised of nine hospitals in Middle Tennessee and is part of St. Louis-based Ascension. [Read more.](#)

TeamHealth Names Philip McSween Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

TeamHealth, a leading clinician services organization, announced the appointment of Philip McSween as the company's executive vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary effective July 31. [Read more.](#)

Member Spotlight



Antoine Agassi

Chairman & CEO, Trinisys

Tell us about your work in the HIT space.

Trinisys is revolutionizing the way healthcare organization traditionally aggregate, process and access historical information from disparate legacy systems. In addition, our Convergence platform is an intuitive automation and integration platform that is accelerating the deployment of technology.

What excites you about the future of HIT? What do you see as the biggest challenges?

The ability to use augmented intelligence to improve the decision-making process and improving care. The biggest challenge is the old mind set of “doing nothing!”

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

The ability to interact with great HIT leaders and learn from their experiences.

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

Get involved. You’ll get out of it exactly what you will put into it.

What was your favorite recent TN HIMSS activity or event?

Our Ambassador program and receptions.

What is the last book you read?

The Tipping Point.

What is your favorite place to vacation?

Anywhere on an ocean with a cold drink in my hand.

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