



Connect. Engage. Inspire. Summit of the Southeast Agenda Offers Innovative Thought Leaders, New HealthTech and Workforce Development

The need for change in healthcare has sparked unparalleled levels of innovation and disruption with new technology like Artificial Intelligence, massive amounts of actionable data and the need to hone skills for long, rich careers. This year's Summit of the Southeast promises to be one of the best yet with a wide range of content designed to educate, inform and provide insight into new healthcare technology and its application. The agenda is nearly finalized with such topics and speakers as:

- **St. Jude Cloud Initiative:** Keith Perry, SVP and CIO at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- **Internet of Things Fireside Chat:** Mary Alice Heston, Vice President of Industry Acceleration, Salesforce and Tammy Hawes, CEO and Founder of Virsys12
- **Integrating Telehealth Services and Behavioral Health:** Melissa Camp, Director of Special Operations for Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center in Charleston, SC

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- **Cybersecurity Panel:** Moderated by Mark Burnette, Shareholder-In-Charge at LBMC Information Security
- **Women in HIT Panel Discussion:** Moderated by Tracy Evers of Check Point Software with panelists Theresa Zuckowsky of Vanderbilt University Medical Center; Beth Chase founder of C3 and now with Ankura; and Jessica Harthcock, CEO of Utilize Health
- **Blockchain:** Emily Vaughn, Blockchain Product Development Director, Change Healthcare
- **Artificial Intelligence:** Dale Sanders, President of Technology, Health Catalyst
- **Apprenticeships in Workforce Technology Panel:** Moderated by Brian Moyer, President and CEO of Nashville Technology Council with panelists John Wark, Founder and President, Nashville Software School and Roscoe Bass, Apprentice, Microsoft; Chris Bayham, Chief Information Officer, IT Infrastructure, Operations, and Cloud Services of Change Healthcare

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Upcoming Events



June 28: TN HIMSS Member Reception

A big part of what makes TN HIMSS great is the ability to learn from others, including mentorship opportunities. That's why we'd like to extend a special invitation to existing members, long-time alumni and new members to join us for our Member Reception. If you've been part of TN HIMSS for a while, please share your experiences and knowledge with some of the individuals new to our group. The reception will take place at 5:30 CST on June 28 at HCTec.

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July 12: Telehealth and Chronic Care Management Panel

Registration is open for TN HIMSS' latest event: a panel discussion on Telehealth and Chronic Care Management. Please join our panel as we share the technology and trends emerging in chronic care management as well as key challenges that remain for the next several years. [REGISTER HERE](#)



August 27–29: Summit of the Southeast 2018

Registration is now open for the Summit of the Southeast at the Health:Further Festival. Now in its 10th year, this event is a one-stop locale for networking, industry insights and fun — and your registration for Summit of the Southeast includes all sessions at the Health:Further Festival. [REGISTER HERE](#)

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Class

Graduates from the Winter 2018 session of the TN HIMSS HIT Workforce Accelerator have graduated and registration is open for the Fall 2018 session shortly thereafter. Jump start your career with this 14-week certificate program designed to expand your expertise, with classes in Chattanooga and Nashville. Registration information will follow soon. You can read more about the Workforce Accelerator Class [HERE](#)

Chapter News



Eric Thrailkill



Caleb Graves

Peyman Zand

New Board Members, Awards Highlight Recent Board Meeting

The addition of two new Board members highlights the recent TN HIMSS Board meeting, along with the recognition of two other Board members with President's Service Awards.

Caleb Graves, acting Advocacy Committee Chair for the TH HIMSS chapter and Director of Business Development for Staffing as a Mission (SaaM) was unanimously voted onto the Board of Directors. Peyman Zand, industry veteran and Partner at Pivot Point Consulting, was also unanimously voted onto the TN HIMSS Board.

This meeting marked Tommy Lewis', Senior Vice President Strategic Enterprise Initiatives at Change Healthcare, last official Board meeting as President. Beginning July 1, Eric Thrailkill, Vice President and CIO at Envision Healthcare, will begin his two-year term as President. As Immediate Past President, Lewis will fully turn his attention to membership growth and value as a strategic initiative of the chapter.

Presidential Service Award Recipients

Tod Fetherling, the chapter's VP of Workforce Development and CEO of Perception Health and Board Member, along with Tom Mitchell, chapter VP of Marketing and Communications and Board Member, both received a Presidential Service

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were honored “for their commitment, dedication and leadership over the last two years.”



Programs

Providing valuable content through educational and networking programs and events remains a strategic focus for the chapter. VP of Programs and Events and Board Member Jennifer LeMieux reviewed topics and themes that support the program strategy over the next 12 months by aligning relevant topics with the priorities of the TN HIMSS chapter and with national HIMSS focus. More information will be shared as programs are added.



TN HIMSS Supports Governor Haslam’s Pain and Addiction Medicine Education Committee

The opioid crisis in our state continues to spiral into dangerous territory. Deaths from opioid related overdoses now outnumber those from vehicle accidents, homicide or suicide. In 2016, more than 1,600 Tennesseans died from opioids which averages to at least four deaths per day. [Read More](#)

The Opioid Crisis – What Can You Do?

Do you believe we can solve the Opioid Crisis in Tennessee by achieving better health through information and technology? If so, please email or call your local state legislator and tell him/her the

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Survey Offers You the Chance to Provide Input Into the Region's Top Tech Topics

Contribute to the area's technology focus with a new [SURVEY](#) from the Nashville Post. Look for the results in the Nashville Post's Techie+ supplement. The survey is open through this Friday, June 29.



Welcome, New Members!

We wanted to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new Tennessee HIMSS members. We are excited to have you and encouraged by the continued growth of this community.

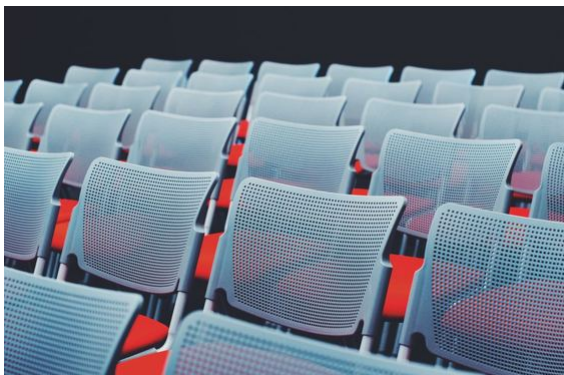
Thank you as well to all those who help engage and recruit new members.



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For more information contact Tiffany Madigan at tiffany@tnhimss.org or by phone at [714-310-0633](tel:714-310-0633).



It's an exciting time to be involved in healthcare IT. If you aren't a member of Tennessee HIMSS, join today to gain access to our events, education, and networking opportunities. Or forward this email to a friend with an encouragement to join.

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Modern Healthcare Q&A with HIMSS CEO Hal Wolf

Read the latest [Q&A](#) from *Modern Healthcare* featuring HIMSS CEO Hal Wolf.

Health care tech: Why Nashville will beat Silicon Valley

Silicon Valley tech companies like Apple, Google and Uber are known for using technology in new ways to solve old problems, and sometimes, radically changing consumer behavior in the process. [Read More](#)

Vaco and Trinisys Partner

Healthcare IT consulting leader Pivot Point Consulting, a Vaco Company, is proud to announce a strategic partnership with Trinisys, Inc., a leading provider of enterprise data migration, integration and web application solutions for the healthcare industry. [Read More](#)

Change Healthcare Teams Up with Adobe and Microsoft to Put the "Consumer" in Healthcare Consumer Engagement

Change Healthcare announced its plans for a collaboration with Adobe and Microsoft that will bring providers a more effective way to give patients the exceptional experience they want. By uniting engagement orchestration proven to work in consumer marketing with industry leading healthcare IT across the continuum of care, providers can compete on the strength of their patient relationships, beyond their existing quality and cost effectiveness capabilities. OMNIA Partners announces that it has entered into a definitive agreement to purchase Communities Program Management, LLC (CPM), the organization that staffs and manages the operations of the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance (U.S. Communities). [Read More](#)

TeamHealth Co-Founder, Dr. Lynn Massingale, Named as a 2018 Tennessee Health Care Hall of Fame Inductee

TeamHealth, a leading clinician services organization, announced today that Lynn Massingale, MD, co-founder and chairman of TeamHealth, was named a 2018 Tennessee Health Care Hall of Fame inductee. This prestigious award recognizes men and women who have made a significant and lasting contribution to the healthcare industry. [Read More](#)

R1, Intermedix deal finalized: 5 things to know

R1 RCM, a revenue cycle management services provider, completed its acquisition of Intermedix Corp. for approximately \$460 million, according to a May 8 release. [Read More](#)

TriStar Health announced plans to invest more than \$500 million into its network of hospitals and care centers in Middle Tennessee, including the addition of four floors at its flagship TriStar Centennial Medical Center

The investment will allow for the construction of new facilities, the expansion of existing structures and the introduction of new technologies and services to the health system, according to a news release. [Read More](#)

Member Spotlight



Jennifer LeMieux

**Founder, JRMH Consulting
& TN HIMSS VP of Programs**

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

The myriad of opportunities to create life impacting solutions. Two situations close to me personally . . . one of my sons has multiple mental and behavioral illnesses and there are limited healthcare providers that can handle his diagnoses, much less located close to where we live. With the potential of companies like Synchronous Health there is a greater likelihood of on-demand “therapy” coupled with significant data on how and when he reacts in certain situations. My elderly mother has Type II diabetes and the associated co-morbidities. Her insurance plan sends her a new fitness tracker every 6 months and she must attain certain health goals 5 of the 7 days during a week in order to maintain her insurance plan and savings. The long-term benefit from the technology provided by both of these companies improves the health not only of the recipient but our entire family.

As for the biggest challenges, one continues to be data liquidity. Perhaps I’ve spent too many hours in Ed Cantwell’s office at the Center for Medical Interoperability but he’s so very right. Our healthcare data resides in the silos of EHRs, pharmacy systems, genetic testing, claims processing applications and even patient-entered data. We have to look at the entire data value chain before making decisions on how best to use data – and what data in each case – to improve business operations and patient care.

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

I’m probably a bit biased because I’ve been on the board and/or a leadership team member with TN HIMSS for close to 10 years. I even attempted to retire from the board last year in an effort to let a new generation of leaders step into place. I’ve learned two things: (1) I still have a lot to offer

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those of us with age and experience – a nice way of referring to gray hair and wrinkles – enjoy the collaboration with our younger colleagues and it allows us to push the envelope further together than we might have otherwise in creating engaging education and networking events.

What was your favorite recent TN HIMSS activity or event?

The Incumbents and Innovators event in April by far. It's hard not to be energized by Jonathan Bush and Mike Biselli and they immediately set the tone for a lively discussion. But, to then have several leaders such as Vic Gatto from Briovation and Lisa Henderson from Synchronous Health who are long-time Nashvillian's and entrepreneurs speak to why our city will or will not maintain it's current position as a leader in healthcare services then it becomes even more meaningful.

What is the last book you read?

I'm an avid reader and usually have 3-4 books going at any one time. Currently I've got my Bible, a mystery/thriller and Tell My Sons. The latter is written by Army Lt. Col Mark Weber as he is required to serve in a high-profile job within the Afghan Parliament as a military advisor. Within weeks of deployment he is diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer and spends the next two years writing letters to his sons so they will know they father as they get older.

What is your favorite place to vacation?

My mother's house. Young and old kids in our family love going to Nana's house because special privileges (or lack thereof) exist, we get all our favorite foods, and it's just more relaxed. My husband also appreciates that she has terrible WiFi so if I want to work while I'm there I have to go into town – sometimes just too much hassle.

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