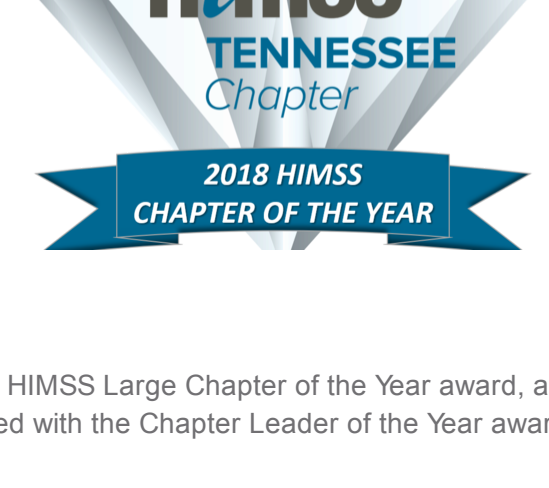


HIMSS® TENNESSEE Chapter

HIMSS Names Tennessee Large Chapter of the Year, Tommy Lewis Chapter Leader of the Year



We're thrilled to share that TN HIMSS received the HIMSS Large Chapter of the Year award, and former chapter president Tommy Lewis was honored with the Chapter Leader of the Year award for 2018.

Chapter of the Year

The Chapter of the Year award is determined based on scores in the following categories: chapter engagement, service to members, communication, recruitment, education/professional development, leadership training, advocacy, and innovation. HIMSS recognized the hard work of our team to deliver consistent educational programming, resulting in 8% chapter membership growth this year. Congrats to everyone on this huge accomplishment!

"I couldn't be more proud of executive director Tiffany Madigan, our board of directors, officers, committee chairs, and ambassadors. Earning Chapter of the Year status requires a total team effort — with dedication and skills in finance, administration, membership, marketing, communication, sponsorships, programs, education, and events. On behalf of our 2,100 statewide members and our 12 organizational affiliates dedicated to our mission of 'better health through information and technology,' I am pleased and humbled to share this news."

—Eric Thrailkill, Chapter President

Chapter Leader of the Year

The Chapter Leader of the Year award recognizes an individual who demonstrates significant leadership and extraordinary contribution to his or her HIMSS chapter and the national organization. As chapter president, Tommy elevated HIMSS within the membership and healthcare ecosystems in Tennessee, as evidenced by the deep partnerships, increased member engagement and respect of other organizations. Congratulations, Tommy!

"I am humbled by being honored as Chapter Leader of the Year. However, what means the most to me is that the Tennessee chapter has been awarded Chapter of the Year by HIMSS. This is a true testament to our leadership team and board members, as well as our ambassadors and volunteers who collectively make this the best HIMSS chapter in all the world. It is a privilege to be part of this great chapter and organization."

—Tommy Lewis, Former Chapter President

Read more about the two awards [here](#).

Upcoming Events



December 14: The Disruption Lab Innovation Program

Join our discussion with Dr. Mike Butera, founder of [Artiphon](#), who will present about his entrepreneurial journey and how his invention has become a disruptive innovation in music and tech. He will also share how his lessons learned in innovation can be applied across industries, including healthcare. The presentation will conclude with a demo and a Q&A session.

This is a free event for members, and a light breakfast is included.

Friday, December 14 | 7:15-9:00 a.m. | Artiphon Corporate Office: 1310 Clinton St., Suite 200 | [Register here](#).



December 18: TN HIMSS Holiday Reception

Join TN HIMSS Board of Directors for cocktails and appetizers as we celebrate the holiday season. Connect with old friends and colleagues at our most popular event of the year. Thanks to the following sponsors: [HCTec](#), [3-D Technology](#), [AMSURG](#), [Ankura](#), [Change Healthcare](#), [emdis](#), [Fortinet](#), [Nashville Post](#), [Trinisys](#), [Zix Corporation](#), and [URSA Health](#).

Sponsorship opportunities are still available - please contact tiffany@tnhimss.org for more information.

Tuesday, December 18 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Maggiano's Little Italy
[Buy tickets here](#).



January 21: HIT Accelerator Class Begins

Registration is open for the 2019 HIT Accelerator Class, a 14-week certificate program designed to expand your healthcare industry and business expertise. [Learn more](#) about the program, and [register here](#).



February 12: HIMSS19 Chapter Reception

TN HIMSS will host a chapter reception at HIMSS19 in Orlando. Enjoy a fun-filled event with food, drinks, live entertainment and more. This is a great opportunity to network with our board members, sponsors and other chapter members at the conference.

Tuesday, February 12 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | The Pub, located near the Orange County Convention Center

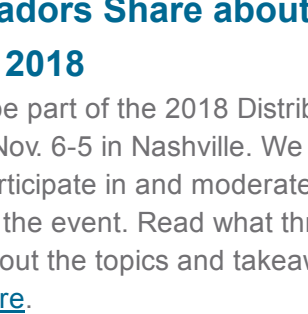
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To inquire about sponsorship opportunities or large group tickets, please contact tiffany@tnhimss.org.

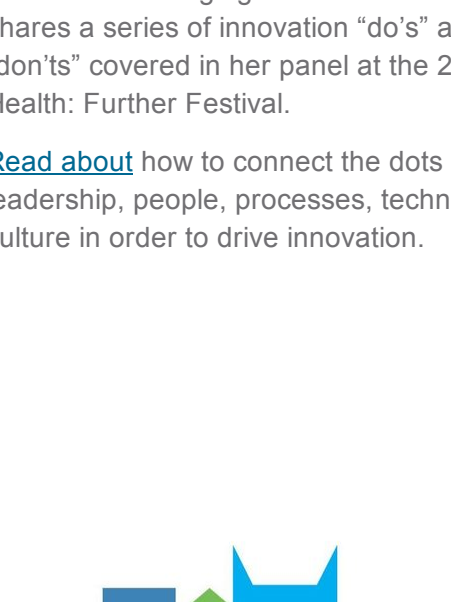
Chapter News

Get Your Free Membership in The Disruption Lab

During our "Innovation Culture & Design Thinking for Healthcare" program on October 9, we announced our new partnership with The Disruption Lab. **TN HIMSS members can now receive free membership in The Disruption Lab through December 31, and a discounted rate after that.**



This partnership gives TN HIMSS a great opportunity to connect with The Disruption Lab's growing global network and access important learning opportunities on innovation topics that are shaping the future of healthcare. Sign up for your complimentary membership today at thedisruptionlab.com/tnhimss. For more information, contact Katie Sulkowski, Katie@thedisruptionlab.com.



TN HIMSS Ambassadors Share about Distributed: Health 2018

TN HIMSS was proud to be part of the 2018 Distributed: Health Conference, held Nov. 6-5 in Nashville. We had Chapter Ambassadors participate in and moderate panels over the course of the event. Read what three moderators had to say about the topics and takeaways from this year's panels [here](#).



Connecting the Dots: Innovation in Healthcare

In this article, Helen Lane, TN HIMSS member and senior managing director at Ankura, shares a series of innovation "do's" and "don'ts" covered in her panel at the 2018 Health: Further Festival.

[Read about](#) how to connect the dots between leadership, people, processes, technology, and culture in order to drive innovation.

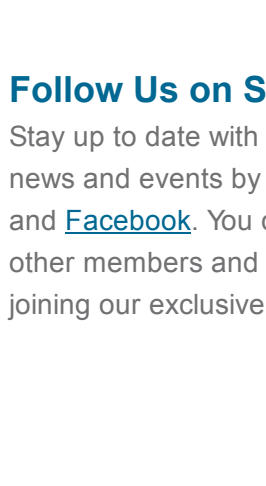
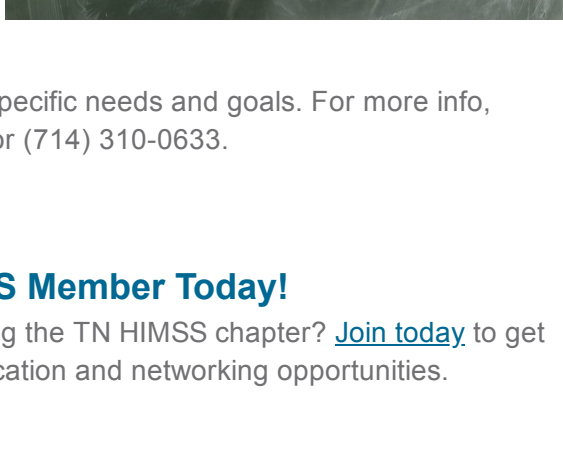
TN HIMSS Supports NashvilleHealth

As a chapter, we are committed to working with HIMSS on key issues facing healthcare leaders. This month we're focusing on our advocacy priority of *Making Communities Healthier* by highlighting the work of [NashvilleHealth](#) to distribute a 12,000 household survey on key influences on determinants of health.

[Read more](#).

Sponsor TN HIMSS in 2019

Our sponsorship packages are designed around our core tenets of education, advocacy, workforce development and peer-to-peer interaction. We have opportunities to sponsor a networking event, dinner series, webinar, or the HIT Workforce Accelerator program in 2019. Or, you can maximize your visibility throughout the year with a yearly package.

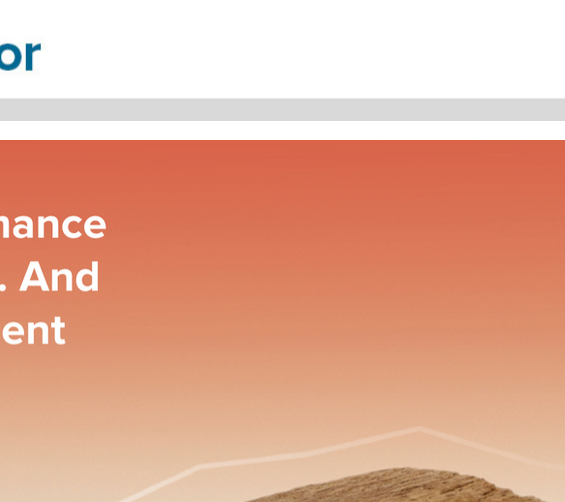


Become a TN HIMSS Member Today!

Are you interested in joining the TN HIMSS chapter? [Join today](#), to get access to our events, education and networking opportunities.

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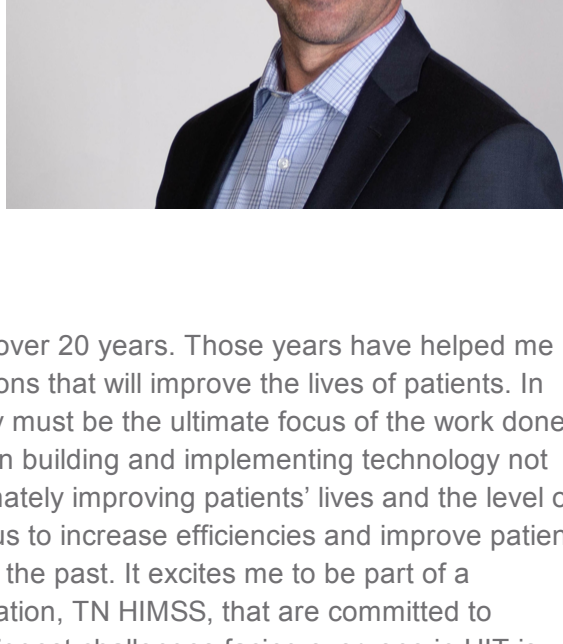
Click here to read the step-by-step guide to crafting KPIs from:



Member Spotlight

Brad Morrow

Vice President of Sales,
3-D Technology



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

I have been in the healthcare industry for over 20 years. Those years have helped me develop a true passion for providing solutions that will improve the lives of patients. In HIT, patients are not always seen, but they must be the ultimate focus of the work done. I enjoy being part of an industry focused on building and implementing technology not only solving a problem for clients, but ultimately improving patients' lives and the level of care they are given. HIT is going to allow us to increase efficiencies and improve patient care in ways that could not be imagined in the past. It excites me to be part of a company, 3-D Technology, and an organization, TN HIMSS, that are committed to moving this industry forward. One of the biggest challenges facing everyone in HIT is keeping up with transformative technology being developed and not get caught standing still. Everyone must work together to understand emerging technology that will meet the needs of the organization or solve the pain point being dealt with. Balancing improving patient care, operational functionality, and budgets will be challenging for everyone working in HIT moving forward.

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

The biggest value of being a member of TN HIMSS is building a strong network and collaborating with others in the HIT community. My organization focuses on solving problems in HIT. The relationships built through TN HIMSS ensure that I am aware of and able to understand challenges facing our clients.

What was your favorite recent TN HIMSS activity or event?

The Innovators & Incumbents event hosted at AMSURG. It was great to hear leaders within the healthcare community discuss their view of the future of HIT and the possible pitfalls ahead of us.

What is the last book you read?

I was late finding this, but I recently read *The Red Bandanna* by Tom Rinaldi. It is one of the many stories of the heroes of September 11 who lost their lives while focusing on helping others.

What is your favorite place to vacation?

Anywhere with sun, water, and a beach.

Industry News

Healthcare's Turning Point: emdis-Sponsored Research Reveals Digital Transformation Best Practices of Leading Healthcare Enterprises

emdis recently conducted the first healthcare-only Digital Transformation Readiness Survey, which found that 78% of healthcare enterprises say their digital initiatives are failing. [Read more](#).

Hospital chain Ardent Health Partners files for an estimated \$400 million

Ardent Health Partners, an LBO'd operator of 31 acute care hospitals, filed with the SEC to raise up to \$100 million in an initial public offering. [Read more](#).

Relatient Ranked Number 190 Fastest Growing Company in North America on Deloitte's 2018 Technology Fast 500™

Relatient experienced a 506% revenue growth over the past year to make this fastest growing technology list. [Read more](#).

LifePoint finalizes merger with RCCH HealthCare Partners

Merger becomes official with LifePoint shareholders receiving \$65 per share in cash, representing a premium of about 36% to LifePoint's closing share price on July 20. [Read more](#).

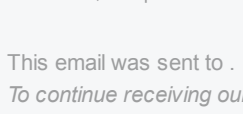
HealthStream Announces Collaboration with the American Red Cross to Improve Resuscitation Outcomes

Long-term agreement focuses on a new resuscitation suite. [Read more](#).

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