

Looking Ahead:

HIMSS20

2020 is right around the corner, and that means it's time to start getting ready for HIMSS20! This year's conference will take place March 9-13 in Orlando, FL. Once again, global health information and technology professionals will connect to reimagine the education, innovation, and collaboration needed to transform health and wellness for everyone, everywhere. The goal is simple: ***Be the change.***

The event will include 350+ expert-led education sessions, innovation from 1,300+ exhibiting companies and industry disruptors, 400+ market supplier sessions, and endless networking. **Be sure to [register](#) before December 16 to save up to 40% on your registration fee!**

Visit the [HIMSS20 website](#) to stay up to date with conference news and announcements, check out educational topics, register as an exhibitor, book your hotel, or browse the upcoming keynote speakers.



Upcoming Events



December 17: 2019 Holiday Reception

After a jam-packed year of knowledge-sharing, networking, and old-fashioned hard work, we all deserve a night off to celebrate the season. Join the TN HIMSS chapter for our annual holiday reception! Sponsorships are available.

Tuesday, December 17 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Maggiano's Little Italy | [Buy tickets here.](#)



TN HIMSS Workforce Accelerator: Winter Session

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

Dates TBD | Belmont University



April 14, 2020: Save the Date: Summit of the Southeast

The single-day event will feature interactive panels and fireside chats meant to highlight the innovations occurring within a rapidly changing industry. We look forward to providing a day of unique educational and networking opportunities.

Tuesday, April 14 | Franklin Marriott | [Learn more.](#)

Chapter News

TN HIMSS Honors World Mental Health Day

On Oct. 10, TN HIMSS hosted a panel of experts in addiction, suicide, psychiatrics, and EHR to shed light on their backgrounds and experiences leading innovation in behavioral health spaces. It was a powerful event, and we were proud to honor World Mental Health Day in this way. [Read more.](#)



Chapter Ambassadors Enjoy Seasonal Festivities

Our TN HIMSS Ambassadors took a break from the hustle and bustle to partake in some friendly conversation and pumpkin carving. [Which design is your favorite?](#)

An Inside Look at the TN HIMSS Board of Directors

Passion about improving healthcare and health-related endeavors is what drives our board in serving the chapter's 2,000 members. Whether you're interested in joining TN HIMSS, participating on a committee, or securing a position on the board, we invite you to get involved. [Read more.](#)

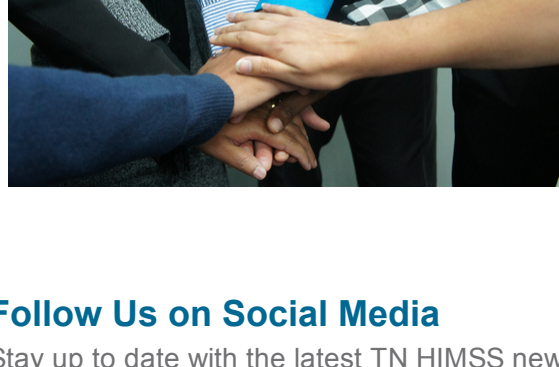


Susan K. Newbold Receives the Virginia K. Saba Nursing Informatics Leadership Award

TN HIMSS board member Susan Newbold was recently honored by the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing with the Virginia K. Saba Nursing Informatics Leadership Award. Susan is the owner of the Nursing Informatics Boot Camp and considered by AMIA to be a pioneer in her field. Read more about the Sigma Biennial Convention [here](#).

Join TN HIMSS!

Want to join TN HIMSS just in time for 2020? We're always open to new members and would love to hear from you. [Join here](#) to get access to our events, education and networking opportunities.



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Member Spotlight

Linda Pannock

Managing Director, [Ankura Consulting Group](#)

What excites you about the future of HIT?

I am excited by the possibilities for helping patients and all populations in a positive and meaningful way. Technology provides the gateway for innovation. Personalized patient care through technology-generated collaboration – that's an exhilarating future.

What do you see as the biggest challenges?

While there is so much potential in leveraging technology to drive value, there is a long way to go from an infrastructure and patient data perspective. It's better now for a single system point of view, but breaking down cross-system silos will still take time.

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

It is all about exposure to a community supporting all facets of the healthcare spectrum and its intersection with technology. Connecting these ideas and innovations to day-to-day conversations is so valuable.

What was your favorite recent TN HIMSS activity or event?

The Innovation Series is great for learning and connecting innovative ideas. This fall included the celebration of Mental Health Day, and we discussed using data innovatively and challenges in the mental health space. Last spring, the AMA presented innovations in their space as well.

What is the last book you read?

The Service Culture Handbook by Jeff Toister – a practical read on building a service culture.

What is your favorite place to vacation?

Currently, diving in Cabo Pulmo – a national marine park near Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.



Industry News

AWS Announces AWS Data Exchange

New service makes it easy for AWS customers to find, subscribe to, and use third-party data in the cloud. [Read more.](#)

Relatient Expands Nextech Marketplace Partnership to Enable More Patient-Centered Engagement Solutions

Nextech's network of clients can now access Relatient's latest solutions for patient self-scheduling, an automated waitlist, and patient intake. [Read more.](#)

Change Healthcare Announces Retirement of Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Alex Choy

After six years with Change Healthcare and a 30+ year career in the technology field, Executive VP and CIO Alex Choy has elected to retire in early 2020. [Read more.](#)

HealthStream Launches RepDirect™ in Partnership with AdvaMed and AORN to Provide Healthcare Industry Representatives a Certification Program for Achieving Compliance to Access Care Environments

For healthcare industry representatives, the most highly valued courses for learning industry standards—AdvaMed's Code of Ethics and AORN's OR Protocol—are now exclusively available with RepDirect. [Read more.](#)

R. Milton Johnson, Retired Chairman and CEO of HCA Healthcare, Named Innovator of the Year by Press Ganey

The Innovator of the Year Award is given annually and recognizes an outstanding leader who has challenged the status quo and advanced the health care industry through disruptive change. [Read more.](#)

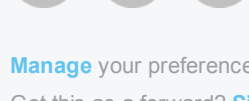
AngelEye Health Adds Former HealthStream CFO Gerry Hayden to Board of Directors

Hayden joins the board after serving as the Chief Financial Officer for HealthStream, Inc., the healthcare workforce development company, for more than a decade. [Read more.](#)

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