

HIMSS TENNESSEE CHAPTER

HIMSS21: A Success in a Challenging Environment

In spite of the COVID-19 pandemic and the challenges associated with in-person events, HIMSS21 was a success. During the conference – August 9-13 in Las Vegas – TN HIMSS members made the most of every opportunity, including educational sessions, chapter leadership sessions, and our own networking event.



Members who didn't attend the conference can still access a range of digital content from educational sessions until September 30 [here](#). Additionally, members can access a range of HIMSS21 interviews from thought leaders and innovators via [the HIMSSTV channel](#).

HIMSS22 is set for March 14-18 in Orlando, Florida. Be sure to watch for information regarding registration and ways to get involved.

Upcoming Events



September 30: Understanding OCR-Quality® Risk Analysis

Clearwater will lead a special interactive presentation and discussion on the regulatory, legal, social, and ethical importance of OCR-Quality® Risk Analysis and Risk Management with former OCR Director, Roger Severino.

Online Event | 11:00 - 12:00 p.m. CT | [Register here](#)



October 27: Panel Discussion on The Importance of Diversity in the Clinical Workforce

Our esteemed panel will share their experiences and provide ideas on how to mitigate the risks associated with the lack of diversity in clinical settings.

Online Event | 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. CT | [Register here](#)

Chapter News



Using Technology to Address Social Determinants of Health

Because 80% of health outcomes are associated with factors outside the traditional boundaries of care delivery, social determinants of health should be an important consideration for healthcare organizations. [Read more.](#)

Future of Healthcare Report: Healthcare Stakeholder Expectations for the Next Chapter

The 2021 Future of Healthcare Report from HIMSS and its Trust partners – Accenture, The Chartis Group, and ZS – offers a unique view into an industry in the midst of a transformation. [Read more.](#)



Interoperability Progress and the Challenges and Opportunities Ahead

Through a collaborative approach, we continue to make strides to achieve the vision of a global health ecosystem where health information is accessible when, where, and how it is needed, yet untapped opportunities still exist. [Read more.](#)

2022 HIMSS Davies Award Submission Cycle Opens September 15

The Davies Award showcases healthcare organizations that have made strides to demonstrate global innovative and thoughtful applications of information and technology to drive and redefine evidence-based best practices. [Read more.](#)



Be a Part of the TN HIMSS Community

[Join here](#) to get access to our events, education, and networking opportunities.

Remember: By joining TN HIMSS or renewing your membership, your savings from discounted events throughout the year will exceed membership costs.

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Member Spotlight

Bruce Rang

Client Director, [AHEAD](#)



What do you see as the biggest challenges and opportunities in HIT?

One of the biggest challenges I see is TIME: Time, Intentionality, Money, and Energy. All of these are finite resources. As organizations and individuals, we must all balance these carefully to achieve our goals. Specifically in HIT, with the volume of regulation, diversity of business and external stakeholders, and continually shifting macro priorities, the management of TIME is exceptionally challenging and becoming evermore complex.

One of the biggest opportunities within HIT is largely in motion with most organizations: focusing precious resources towards what is core to the enterprise. Otherwise, organizations should partner strategically and significantly where it's contextual to the business, or choose a partner with exceptional execution capabilities to help accelerate and innovate.

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

The biggest values for me are the relationships within a vital area of the Middle Tennessee economy and awareness of the trends occurring in the healthcare sector.

What has been your favorite TN HIMSS activity or event during your time as a member?

The TN HIMSS dinners are a great experience to be around like-minded and energetic people with a passion for the care of others.

What is the last book you read?

"Our Iceberg is Melting: Changing and Succeeding Under Any Conditions" by John Kotter.

What is your favorite place to vacation?

Memorial Park Campground in Coldwater, MI between Independence and Labor Day weekends. My extended family has seasonally camped at this gem for over 20 years and it has led to a lifetime of water sports and a love of the outdoors for me.

Sponsor Spotlight

[LBMC](#)

What services or solutions does your company offer in the health IT space?

We provide a full suite of services, including cybersecurity, HIPAA risk assessment, and HITRUST certification. Our LBMC Family of Companies also provides HR outsourcing, outsourced accounting and finance functions, staffing and recruiting, and growth/innovation consulting in addition to our core audit/tax/valuation services.



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

The ability to interact with companies that are driving change throughout the healthcare ecosystem is a huge value for LBMC as we work to enhance our service offerings for healthcare and healthcare technology companies.

How has your company responded to COVID-19?

As a multi-office firm with clients across the country, LBMC was already familiar with working remotely to some degree. We were thrilled when our investments in technology infrastructure allowed our teams to operate almost seamlessly when transitioning to remote work during lockdowns. We also internally developed a PowerApp to monitor our employee health, which enabled us to return to office at 50% capacity starting in July 2020. We are also extremely proud of our efforts to assist our clients through the various nuances related to PPP Loans, Provider Relief Funding and Employee Retention Tax Credits.

How long have you been a TN HIMSS sponsor?

LBMC has been a sponsor for five years.

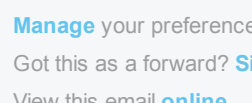
What events have you previously sponsored, and which was your favorite?

We have sponsored the Summit of the Southeast, CIO Dinners, Holiday Reception, and National HIMSS Reception. Our favorite was the Holiday Reception at the Lexus Lounge – it is always great to have time with the TN HIMSS members in a setting like that.

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