



## HIMSS Nicholas E. Davies Awards of Excellence

Since, 1994, the HIMSS Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence recognizes excellence in the implementation and derived value of health information technology, specifically electronic health records (EHRs), for healthcare organizations, private practices, public health entities, and community health organizations.

### ***Congratulations to the 2010 Davies Award winners!***

**Organizational Award:** Initiated in 1994, 29 healthcare organizations recognized

**2010 Winners:**

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**Sentara Health System**

*2011 Organizational Award Applications due March 31, 2011*

**Ambulatory Care Recipients:** Initiated in 2003, 21 practices recognized

**2010 Winner:**

**The Diabetes Center**

**Miramont Family Medicine**

*2011 Ambulatory Award Applications due April 29, 2011*

**Public Health Award:** Initiated in 2004, 14 public health entities recognized

**2010 Winner:**

**Wisconsin Immunization Registry**

*2011 Public Health Applications due April 15, 2011*

**Community Health Organization:** Initiated in 2008, 7 community health organizations recognized

**2010 winner:**

**Open Door Family Medical Center**

*2011 Community Health Organization Applications due May 13, 2011*

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## Davies Awards Program: Additional Resources

### Award Recipients Applications

Each of the award winning applications of Davies recipients across each award category are posted at [www.himss.org/davies](http://www.himss.org/davies). These applications provide the information from which each recipient was scored by respective Awards Committees that ultimately led to these recognitions for their accomplishments.

### White Papers

The award applications provide a wealth of information. However the Davies White Papers summarize several examples and guide the reader to specific applications for additional detail. Most of the information used in the series of HIMSS white papers that form the basis of this executive summary derives from the award applications of the 2001 to 2005 Davies winners. The papers focus on four topics related to the institutions' EMR-EHR experiences: return on investment (ROI); leadership; implementation; and ambulatory practices. The first three papers deal with larger hospital settings, while the last examines ambulatory practices.

- [Executive Summary: Healthcare IT and the Davies Awards of Excellence](#)
- [Moving Ahead: EMR-EHR Drives Ambulatory Care](#)
- [Making IT Happen: Strategies for Implementing the EMR-EHR](#)
- [A Desire for Change: Strong Leadership Required in the EMR-EHR Revolution](#)
- [EMR Sophistication Correlates to Hospital Quality Data](#)

**[Meaningful Use: Lessons Learned on the Path to EHR Excellence in Ambulatory Care](#)** – a HIMSS and California HealthCare Foundation White Paper. Many medical practices and community health centers will soon have an opportunity to begin collecting substantial payments for meaningful use of electronic health records (EHR) under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. In this report, medical practices and community health centers recognized for excellence in EHR implementation share their first-hand accounts of, and key insights about, EHR adoption, particularly the challenges they encountered and the solutions they engineered.

### Davies Recipients: Examples of Return on Investment (ROI)

#### 2004 Ambulatory Care Davies Award Winner

North Fulton Family Medicine, Alpharetta, Georgia

Return on Investment:

- \$33/patient visit = \$1.25 million in savings/year.
- 1998: 4.7 support FTEs per physician.
- 2006: 2.8 support FTEs per physician

#### 2005 Organizational Davies Award Winner

Citizens Memorial Healthcare – CMH (first organizational Davies Award recipient honored in a non-academic and rural setting and funded with tax-exempt bonds)

- CMH has eliminated all medical records filming costs, an annual expense of \$48,000-\$60,000.
- Paper documents have been completely eliminated from the medical record.

#### 2006 Public Health Davies Award Winner

Texas Department of State Health Services - Behavioral Health Integrated Provider System BHIPS), a Web-based EHR.

- Integrating placement criteria in BHIPS, a 6% increase (occurred) in the number of clients served at the appropriate level, freeing up thousands of dollars for additional clients to be served.

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