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Have a question, comment or idea? Please send them to [Matt Schlossberg](#).

## What's New

### [HIMSS Responds to Release of Meaningful Use Stage 2](#)

On Thursday, the Department of Health & Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) released their final rules for Meaningful Use Stage 2 and associated Standards, Implementation Specifications, and Certification Criteria for Electronic Health Record Technology, 2014 Edition. HIMSS responded with a statement, which can be read [here](#). Stay tuned for in-depth analysis on HIMSS' [Meaningful Use OneSource](#); a webinar series in September; and a full slate of Meaningful Use education and exhibition activities at [HIMSS13](#), including a new Meaningful Use Experience.

### [HIMSS Policy Summit Announces Speaker Line-up](#)

National Coordinator for Health IT Dr. Farzad Mostashari will give the opening keynote at [HIMSS' 11th Annual Policy Summit](#) on Sept. 12. Also speaking at the Summit will be a panel from the HIMSS Federal Health Community discussing federal health IT efforts, including Dr. Karen Guice from the Department of Defense, Dr. Yael Harris from the Health Resources and Services Administration, Dr. Jonathan White of the Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality, and Tangela Richardson from the Social Security Administration. HIMSS Board Member Kathleen Kimmel will offer a discussion of Nursing Informatics, and Brad Fitch from the Congressional Management Foundation will share tips on making the most of meetings with your Congressional representatives. [Registration](#) for the Policy Summit is open. See the [HIMSS Policy Summit site](#) for learn this year's Congressional "Asks" that HIMSS Advocates will bring to Capitol Hill, and to register. Questions? Please contact HIMSS' Government Relations team at [policy@himss.org](mailto:policy@himss.org).

### [Call Open for HIMSS13 Nursing Informatics Symposium Posters](#)

The call for HIMSS13 Nursing Informatics Symposium Posters is now open. Posters will be on display at the HIMSS13 Nursing Informatics Symposium and Reception, Saturday March 2 and March 3, 2013, in New Orleans.

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## Chapter Events

Sept. 10  
[New Jersey](#)  
[Students Get Connected to Health IT](#)

Sept. 12  
[Iowa](#)  
[IAHIMSS Chapter Meeting](#)

Sept. 25  
[Michigan](#)  
[2012 Annual Conference: Key Trends and Status of Health IT in Michigan](#)

## Upcoming Events & Deadlines

Deadline: Aug. 31  
[Call for Proposals—HIT X.0: Beyond the Edge](#)

Sept. 10-14  
[National Health IT Week](#)

Sept. 12  
[Nursing Informatics on the Hill](#)

Sept. 12-13  
[HIMSS Policy Summit](#)

To submit, please include: a title, a 30- to 50-word description; learning objectives; and a 250- to 300-word topic profile. The topic must support at least one functional area of NI practice. Guidelines, recommendations and criteria for acceptance are located [here](#); the informational flyer is [here](#); and the submission survey is [here](#).

Presenters will be notified on Oct. 15, of their accept/decline status. Poster presenters are also required to submit a topic profile which will be published in the [HIMSS Nursing Informatics Knowledge Repository](#). Submissions are due to Summer O'Neill at the e-mail link in the headline above.

## Tools & Resources

### [Call for 2012 HIMSS Award Nominations and Scholarship Applications Open Thru Oct. 15](#)

The Calls for HIMSS 2012 Award Nominations and Scholarship Applications are now open. Award and scholarship recipients will be honored at the Awards and Recognition Banquet during the 2013 Annual HIMSS Conference & Exhibition, March 3-7 in New Orleans. Click the link above to learn more...

### [Call for Proposals—HIT X.0: Beyond the Edge](#)

HIMSS invites you to submit a proposal to present at this year's [HIT X.0: Beyond the Edge program](#), March 5-6, in New Orleans, co-located at HIMSS13 Annual Conference & Exhibition. The Call for Proposals is opens today and will run through **Friday, Aug. 31**. All proposals must be submitted to the link in the headline above. Late proposals will not be accepted and all proposals should feature emerging technologies with the following: Tangible evidence of the impact innovative technologies/ideas currently have; practical solutions that have been applied in the healthcare setting, preferably with measurable results; and "wow" factor that could potentially transform healthcare delivery.

### [Registration Now Open for the HIMSS Nursing Informatics Institute hosted by Baylor Health Care System](#)

Registration is now open for the Sept. 28 HIMSS Nursing Informatics Institute at Baylor Medical Center in Irving, Texas. Learn from the nation's leaders in Nursing Informatics at this one-day educational event. Build on your career portfolio and enhance your knowledge of the role of nurses in implementing information technology to enhance nursing workflow, promote patient safety and yield outcomes that improve patient care. For more information and to register, please visit: [www.himss.org/baylor](http://www.himss.org/baylor).

### [Pharmacy Informatics Virtual Town Hall Series Begins Tomorrow](#)

A complimentary virtual Town Hall meeting on The ABC's of the SCRIPT Standard will be held by the Pharmacy Informatics Community—a collaboration among NCPDP and HIMSS—on **Aug. 30**. This is the first in a new series of virtual and highly interactive Town Hall meetings for the Pharmacy Informatics Community. Attendee will be able to understand the different standards used in ePrescribing; identify new features and benefits within existing messages of NCPDP SCRIPT v10.6; get a better understanding of the use of Structured and Codified Sig; and identify changes in SCRIPT v10.6 for Long Term Care. The presenters will be Laura Topor, Director, Account Management at RxEOB; Steven J Franko, IS Director-Retail Pharmacy Systems at CVS Caremark; and Tim McNeil, Director of Standards at Surescripts, LLC. The August virtual Town Hall will be moderated by Helen Figge, PharmD, MBA, Lean Six Sigma Black Belt, Senior Director, Professional Development, Career Services at HIMSS.

### [Top CIOs to Speak at Privacy & Security Forum](#)

*Healthcare IT News* and HIMSS Media have joined forces to create The

Sept. 28

[HIMSS Nursing Informatics Institute](#)

Deadline: Oct. 15

[2012 HIMSS Annual Award Nominations and Scholarship Applications](#)

Dec. 3-5

[2012 mHealth Summit](#)

Dec. 12-13

[Privacy & Security Forum](#)

Jan. 28-Feb. 2, 2013

[2013 Connectathon](#)

March 4-7, 2013

[2013 Annual HIMSS Conference & Exhibition](#)

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## Read the Latest News from HIMSS Corporate Members

Get the latest updates from our HIMSS Corporate Members. New press releases and news announcements are updated daily on the [HIMSS Web site](#).

Privacy & Security Forum, to be held Dec. 12-13, in Boston. The forum will address issues such as data breaches, mobile device security and HIPAA privacy and security compliance. Session topics include HIMSS Annual Security Survey results; The *Healthcare IT News* Interviews; best practices for securing mobile devices; identifying risks and reducing exposure; Cloud computing; HIEs; and risk assessment. For more information click the link in the headline above or email [info@healthprivacyforum.com](mailto:info@healthprivacyforum.com).

### [New! Sponsored White Paper: Is Cloud-Based Faxing Right for You?](#)

The improved ability to gather, store, and share patient data is driving change across the healthcare sector. The good news is that cloud technologies enable healthcare IT managers to move to more efficient and less cumbersome information systems. Cloud-based systems give them the potential to economize in a number of key areas, a development that IT managers welcome unequivocally. However, due diligence is essential to ensure that IT systems are managed in a way that increases efficiency while improving healthcare outcomes. This paper will answer your questions about cloud computing: What is it? Is it secure? What do you need to know about it? This paper will also discuss benefits and user advantages of cloud computing.

### [New! Sponsored White Paper: Blood Systems Relies on Integrated Security, Access and Data Center Acceleration to Give Life to its WAN](#)

For more than 60 years, Blood Systems has been offering its life-giving services throughout the Western U.S. Blood Systems wanted to optimize its network for business value, migrating to the latest WAN services. Read this white paper to learn how Blood Systems increased flexibility and now support business continuity requirements so the nation's blood supply wouldn't be interrupted in the face of a natural disaster or pandemic.

### [New! Sponsored White Paper: Security Best Practices for Mobility in Healthcare: Ensuring the Security of Healthcare Networks as Mobile Devices Proliferate](#)

This white paper highlights the way changes in the use of laptops, smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices are affecting the security of networks at healthcare institutions as well as the IT staff that manages network access. It outlines a set of best practices for controlling access within and beyond perimeter protections. Most affected are network access control and related provisions, where market trends warrant new capabilities and procedures.

## [Calling All Members](#)

### [New! Seeking Members for HIE Task Forces and Work Groups](#)

The HIMSS HIE Committee is seeking members to join a number of their task forces and work groups. Click the link above to learn more about these groups and how to join.

### [HIMSS Clinical and Business Intelligence Committee Seeks Task Force Members](#)

The HIMSS Clinical and Business Intelligence Committee is accepting members for its new task forces. These groups will be responsible for creating the tools and resources to meet the needs of HIMSS members and the health IT industry in effectively managing and using clinical and business intelligence. The groups include:

- Information Management and Data Technology Task Force
- Analytics and Information Delivery Task Force
- Operationalizing the Value Task Force

### **Renew Your HIMSS Membership?**

Ensure the continuation of your HIMSS member benefits, login to the [Member Center](#) to renew your membership today. If you need a paper invoice, request one via e-mail to the Member Services department. You can also renew by phone at 312-664-4467 (option 8, then 2).

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Task Force participation is open to all current HIMSS members. If you are interested in participating in a task force, [join now!](#) For more information, please visit the C&BI Committee Task Forces website at the link in the headline above.

### [HIMSS Patient-Centered Payer Roundtable is Accepting New Members](#)

The HIMSS Patient-Centered Payer Roundtable is accepting new members. The vision of the Roundtable is to improve individual patient care, quality, and outcomes in a cost-effective manner by fostering collaboration and trust between providers, payers and vendors through the development of interoperable health IT. Key topics for the year include accountable care/value-based healthcare/care coordination, and “enabling” issues such as HIE, interoperability, funding models, data management, business intelligence and patient identity. The next meeting of the Roundtable, via conference call, will be **Sept. 20**. Please visit HIMSS Patient-Centered Payer Roundtable web site at the link above for additional information and contact [Nancy Devlin](#) to become a member.

### [Ambulatory Task Force & Work Group Calls for Members](#)

The [HIMSS Ambulatory IS Committee](#) is accepting new members for the following task forces and work group. Participation is open to all current HIMSS members. For more information, contact Valerie Knoke at the e-mail link above.

**Continuity of Care Task Force.** This task force will create resources and tools that promote and utilize IT to coordinate care among healthcare providers to provide better patient outcomes.

**Meaningful Use Center of Excellence Task Force.** This group will create a compendium of resources and tools that highlight best practices of achieving the meaningful use of EHRs for the ambulatory care setting.

**Advocacy & Public Comment Work Group.** This work group solicits and provides feedback on policy, legislation and regulations impacting health IT in the ambulatory care setting, including the anticipated release of the Meaningful Use Stage 2 Final Rule.

### [HIMSS eConnecting with Consumers Committee Seeks Task Force Members](#)

The new [HIMSS eConnecting with Consumers Committee](#) is now accepting new members for a number of task forces. For more information, contact Valerie Knoke at the e-mail link above.

**Patient Engagement Task Force.** This group will create a compendium of business cases highlighting best practices and lessons learned highlighting providers’ use of HIT to engage patients in their health. Meeting times TBD.

**Provider Value Proposition Task Force.** This group will be responsible for the identification and creation of resources and tools related to personal health IT for all HIMSS providers, including business cases, best practices and lessons learned for technologies including (but not limited to) PHRs, portals, mHealth, etc.

**Social Media Task Force.** This group will create resources and tools as well as opportunities around social networking at HIMSS, including the Social Media Center at HIMSS13. This task force will meet on the first Thursday of the month at 12 p.m. (ET).

### [Nominations Welcome for the Spirit of HIMSS Award](#)

Established in 2003, the Spirit of HIMSS award recognizes members who exemplify the mission of HIMSS through their recent volunteer efforts within the society. The award is given to a member or group of members every

month, at the discretion of the Individual Membership Committee. HIMSS utilizes awards to recognize the special contributions of individuals, groups and organizations to the advancement of the healthcare profession as encompassed by the HIMSS mission. These special contributions may vary widely due to the diverse membership of HIMSS and the broad definition of the healthcare professions represented in our mission. To submit a nomination, click the link above or contact [Helen Figge](#) with questions.

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