



## Measuring Value: How to Leverage Your HIMSS Value Score in Your HIMSS Davies Award of Excellence Application

The Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence represents HIMSS’ highest recognition of hospitals, ambulatory practices and clinics, community health organizations and public health organizations that leverage their people, processes and technologies to improve clinical and financial outcomes.

This year, 2017, marks the launch of the HIMSS Value Score as the starting point for your Davies experience. The HIMSS Value Score is a health IT utilization analysis service that allows healthcare provider organizations to measure and manage their strategic decisions regarding the return on their health IT investments, implementations and usage in the pursuit of increased operational productivity, and higher quality clinical outcomes at the unit, department and enterprise level.

### 1 Complete your HIMSS Value Score

Healthcare organizations wishing to apply for the Davies Awards must now complete the HIMSS Value Score as the start of their application. The survey focuses on how IT has enabled value, as defined by the HIMSS Value STEPS™ Framework. Building from the framework, the Value Score measures a healthcare provider’s baseline, perceived, realized and innovative value. Answers and supplied complementary data generate the applicant’s value score. Organizations with top value scores will then receive a HIMSS Davies Award site visit to validate how they are leveraging health IT to improve care outcomes and generate value across the enterprise.



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### Prepare for In-Person Davies Committee visit

The one-day, in-person or virtual site visit will enable the Davies Award team to validate the workflows described in the healthcare organization's Value Score report. During the Davies Award visit, applicant organizations present three demonstrations of clinical and business problems that have been improved through the effective management of people, processes and health IT. The site visit team will ask questions, review the governance and workflow, and review trended outcomes data to determine if the site will be selected as a Davies recipient review. In its evaluation, the Davies site visit team focuses on value, sustainability and innovation of the health IT initiative. Applicants must provide a minimum of 12 months of trended data that demonstrates either improved clinical and patient outcomes or business outcomes. Additionally, applicants must directly tie improved sustainable clinical or business outcomes via the trended data with the implementation of health IT solution or health IT-enabled workflow, which is described in their Value Score report.

#### Keys to a Successful In-Person Davies Committee visit

Healthcare organizations should exhibit the following during their Davies Award visit:

- Improvement plan to address their local problem
- Design and implementation strategies
- Governance structure and selection of the IT solutions highlighted
- Testing and field testing of the IT solution
- Process for the development of workflow supported by IT
- Process for how clinicians and end-users were incorporated into the development of the workflow
- Demonstration of how health IT was utilized
- Value derived from health IT
- Identification of the intended outcome of the IT project

Organizations whose effective management of people, processes and health IT is validated during the Davies site visit team will receive the Davies Award. There are four categories of Davies Award, sorted by care-delivery model:

- Enterprise (hospitals, specialty hospitals and integrated care delivery networks)
- Ambulatory
- Community Health Center
- Public Health

## KEY DATES

**January 1:**  
Call for submissions

**June 30:**  
Call for  
Submission ends

**October 1:**  
Completion  
of site visits  
HIMSS will evaluate  
the scores as  
quickly as possible  
and develop analysis  
explaining the score.

Applicants that  
are awarded site  
visits will receive  
guidance on  
formulating  
presentations



To begin to obtain your Value Score, click [here](#).  
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