

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Lee Ann Perritt
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** None
b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: March 3rd, 2025 Return: March 6th, 2025
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Las Vegas, NV Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS)
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Attended health information technology forum, panels and discussion.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 3/20/2025

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Mike Bost Date: 3/20/2025

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: _____
Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS)

2. Travel Destination(s): Las Vegas, NV

3. Date of Departure: March 3, 2025 Date of Return: March 6, 2025

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): LeeAnn Perritt

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$896	\$477	\$156.28	\$1570 for preconference forum and conference registration fees government rate, waived for Congressional staff.
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Thomas M Leary Digitally signed by Thomas M Leary
Date: 2025.03.17 12:54:58 -04'00' Date: March 17, 2025

Name: Tom Leary Title: SVP and Head of Government Relations

Organization: Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 4300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 510 Arlington, VA 22203

Telephone: 703-562-8814 Email: tom.leary@himss.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS)

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**

b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**

c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____
See attached for additional information

5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: March 3, 2025 Date of Return: March 6, 2025

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC

b. Destination(s): Las Vegas, NV

c. City of return: Washington, DC

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**

b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**

c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
- b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
- c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
- d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box;* **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

HIMSS develops, organizes and conducts all aspects of the trip for congressional staff for HIMSS25. HIMSS25 is the leading healthcare conference, bringing together thought leaders from across the healthcare community, including healthcare providers, IT experts, vendors, and local, state, and federal government representatives.

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
 - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Encore Las Vegas City: Las Vegas Cost Per Night: \$159

Reason(s) for Selecting: see additional information

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$500 roundtrip airfare and taxi	\$477	up to \$301 (per diem rate for 4
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	See Attached	See attached
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature: Thomas M Leary Digitally signed by Thomas M Leary
Date: 2025.01.28 13:26:54 -05'00' Date: _____

Name: Thomas M Leary Title: SVP & Head of GR

Organization: HIMSS

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Additional Information

Question 4. List of Congressional Invites

Every congressional invitee to HIMSS25 plays a pivotal role in developing healthcare and health IT policy in the House of Representatives, and we believe they stand to benefit greatly from the educational sessions and speakers presenting at our conference. In addition to the education sessions, the conference provides the opportunity to interact with, and learn about, real-world applications of healthcare technologies, and hear how policy impacts the use of technologies that improve care, expand access, and lower healthcare costs.

House of Representatives Invitees:

- Sam Kaardal (VA Committee)
- Casey Quinn (Ways and Means Committee)
- Jay Gulshen (Energy and Commerce Committee)
- Una Lee (Energy and Commerce Committee)
- Jacquelyn Bolen (Energy and Commerce Committee)
- John Harry (VA Committee)
- Sarah Levin (Ways and Means Committee)
- Alex Sells (Rep. Mike Kelly)
- Tania Calle (Rep. Underwood)
- Rachel Dolin (Ways and Means Committee)
- Tyler Adams (Rep. Thompson)
- Jackie Weinrich (Rep. Matsui)
- Kate Schisler (Rep. Beyer)
- Davis Michols (Rep. Griffith)
- Blake Thelander (Rep. Miller-Meeks)
- Jonathan Kupperman (Rep. Arrington)
- Michelle Galdamez (Rep. Robin Kelly)
- Alex Karabatsos (Rep. Trahan)
- Brian Fahey (Energy and Commerce Committee)
- Alex DeRiso (Rep. Balderson)
- Emily Henn (Rep. Miller)
- William Seabrook (Rep. Dingell)
- John Quinn (Rep. Schweikert)
- Amy Zhou (Rep. Schrier)
- Jack Ganter (Rep. Carter)
- David Steury (Rep. DeGette)
- Jamie Truax (Rep. Ruiz)
- Michelle Tabajonda (Rep. Barragan)
- Rob Hicks (Rep. Obernolte)
- Kassie Stagner (VA Committee)
- LeeAnn Perritt (VA Committee)
- Reggie Darby (VA Committee)

Question 16: Reason(s) for Selecting Hotels

HIMSS works with local hotels to negotiate room blocks at government per diem rate near the convention center where HIMSS25 is held. Hotels are selected based on location and availability of rooms to accommodate congressional staff at the federal per diem rate.

Question 18: Total Expenses for each Participant:

Total meal expenses per participant: Congressional staff will be responsible for their own meals during HIMSS25. HIMSS is offering reimbursement up to \$86/day and \$64.50/travel day, which is the per diem rate for Las Vegas for 2025

Total transportation expenses per participant: In addition to the cost of the flight, Congressional staff will be reimbursed for any necessary ubers or taxis to/from the airports in DC and Las Vegas.

Other expenses: \$1195 for conference registration fee government rate, waived for Congressional staff. \$375 for preconference forum registration fee for staffers arriving on Monday, waived for Congressional staff.



Congressional Staff Agenda

Location: The Venetian Convention & Expo Center, Caesars Forum, and Wynn Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV
 March 3-6, 2025

Access Full Conference Information here: [HIMSS25](#)

All times are Pacific Time (ET).

****Note: Congressional Staff will be responsible for finding their own meals****

****Note: All events listed on this agenda are open to all conference attendees****

Monday, March 3, 2025

7:55am	Flight AA1975 departs DCA (Sam Kaardal, Reggie Darby, LeeAnn Perrit)
10:27am	Flight AA1975 lands in LAS (Sam Kaardal, Reggie Darby, LeeAnn Perrit)
11:00am-12:00 pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: What's SOP with TEFCA & QHINS? The TEFCA Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) establish standardized protocols and workflows for Qualified Health Information Networks (QHINs) to facilitate secure, interoperable health information exchange under the Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement (TEFCA). The panelists in this fireside chat will discuss the latest updates with the TEFCA SOPs (Public Health Exchange, Health Care Operations, Individual Access Services, Exchange Purposes, & QHIN Security) and also discuss real-life working successes and examples from multiple organizations, along with current roadblocks and constraints.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura McCray, President & CEO, KONZA National Network • Matthew Eisenberg, Associate CMIO, Stanford Health Care • Rufus Johnson, Senior Clinical Interoperability Manager, SSI Group
12:10-12:50 pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: Counterpoint Debate: Will TEFCA Succeed or Fail Enjoy this point-counterpoint debate about the Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement (TEFCA). This discussion will be focused on why TEFCA will work and why it won't, or if changes are needed or not. This debate is in the spirit of 'what do we need to do to fix the issues that currently exist with trust and TEFCA'.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Westover, VP, Data Partnership & Informatics, Providence St. Joseph Health • Rob Klootwyk, Director of Interoperability, Epic • Paul Wilder, Executive Director, CommonWell Health Alliance • Jocelyn Keegan, VP – Aetna Interoperability
1:00 – 1:45pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: The Role of Next-Gen Health Data Networks This panel will explore the evolving landscape of healthcare data exchange and interoperability initiatives at the local, regional, and national level. This discussion will cover emerging trends and organizational transformations with Health Information Exchanges (HIEs), Community Information Exchanges (CIEs), Qualified Health Information Networks (QHINs), Qualified Health Information Organizations (QHIOs), and Health Data Utilities (HDUs).</p>

	<p>.Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janee Tyus, Head of Community Mobilization, IMPaCT Care, Inc • Craig Behm, President and CEO, CRISP & CRISP Shared Services • Angie Bass, EVP, Velatura Health Information Exchange Corporation (VHIEC) • Jeff Nguyen, Senior Director, California Medical Association
1:50 - 2:35pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: Strategies for Gradually Enhancing Healthcare Data Quality and Conformance</p> <p>This session will explore practical strategies for improving healthcare data quality and conformance over time with interoperable data. Experts will discuss approaches to address data inconsistencies, ensure adherence to standards, and promote data integrity, all with the goal of supporting better clinical outcomes and more effective decision-making in healthcare.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jonathan Nebeker, Executive Director, Clinical Informatics and Digital Health Chief Medical Informatics Officer, Department of Veteran Affairs
2:45-3:25pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: Connected Care through Digital Identity</p> <p>A digital identity framework for healthcare that securely connects patients, providers, and health systems through unique digital credentials enables seamless access to medical records, streamlines care coordination, and enhances patient privacy while reducing administrative burden. These systems verify identities across the care continuum, facilitating trusted data exchange and personalized healthcare delivery. Learn from industry experts that implement these solutions on a daily basis.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason Barr, VP Healthcare, ID.me • Lynn Nowak, Chief Data & Analytics Officer, Surescripts • David Bardan, GM, Healthcare, CLEAR • Sam Lambson, VP of Product Management, Data, and Ecosystem, athenahealth
3:30-4:00pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: Payers Use of Interoperable Data: Improving Member Experience and Outcomes</p> <p>Healthcare payers are increasingly using interoperable data to improve member experience and health outcomes. Discover how payers have implemented real-world use cases within their organizations, such as supplemental data collection, real-time quality gap closure, and enhanced provider collaboration. These efforts have led to improved data completeness and efficiency.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gini McGlothlin, Senior Analyst, Quality & Value Based Care, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama • Jena Dangerfield, Clinical Data Exchange Manager, Interoperability Solutions, BlueCross Blue Shield Association
4:05-4:30pm	<p>Interoperability and HIE Forum: How to Overcome Barriers and Create Breakthroughs by Working Together</p> <p>The closing keynote is a call to action for all stakeholders to work together in a collaborative effort. Discover practical strategies for breaking down silos and</p>

	<p>fostering collaboration to achieve transformative results. Learn from real-world examples where collective action turned obstacles into opportunities for innovation and growth.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aneesh Chopra, Chief Strategy Officer, Arcadia
5:00-7:00pm	<p>HIMSS25 Opening Reception Description: Remarks from Hal Wolf, CEO, HIMSS on the focus of the HIMSS25 global conference and preview of keynote sessions. Attendees will also have the opportunity to interact and engage with a broad array of conference attendees, including government officials, thought leaders, and representatives from across the healthcare ecosystem.</p>
	Dinner on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

7:55am	Flight AA1975 departs DCA (Blake Thelander)
8:30 – 10:00 AM	<p>Tuesday AM Keynote: Shaping the Future of Healthcare: A Collaborative Care Journey Where Technology and Humanity Exist Description: At the HIMSS25 Opening Keynote, Dr. Seung-woo Park, President of Samsung Medical Center, will explore the critical role of digital health transformation in enhancing patient care, with a particular emphasis on the integration of Electronic Medical Records (EMR) and the development of next-generation systems, like DARWIN (Data Analytics and Research Window for Integrated kNowledge). These technologies are milestones of Samsung Medical Center's journey as the world's first HIMSS Analytics quadruple-validated stage 7 status organization and the first to receive to receive a perfect HIMSS Digital Health Indicator score.</p> <p>Hal Wolf, President and CEO of HIMSS, will continue the conversation in a fireside chat with both Dr. Seung-woo Park, President and Dr. Meong Hi Son, Chief Medical Information Officer of Samsung Medical Center, as they share insights and aspirations for the future of healthcare. Dr. Meong Hi Son will discuss how hospitals can not only adapt to but also lead in the integration of new technologies, citing examples from her experience with social robots and the iterative journey of digital transformation, ultimately transforming the way healthcare is delivered.</p>
10:15 – 11:15 AM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Physicians' Burnout: Is AI the Only Path Forward? Description: The panel will conduct a lively conversation, between leaders who believe in technology and AI as the main solution for physicians' burden and burnout, and leaders who are skeptical about AI's ability to deliver those promises without compromising ethics, security and equity. Would there be a middle ground? We will delve into the pressing issue of physician burnout, offering a comprehensive exploration of how cutting-edge technology, strategic policy-making, and effective burnout-relief strategies can collectively enhance the working lives of healthcare professionals. Whether it's innovative solutions like Ambient AI or tried-and-true, low-tech, high-impact strategies, we aim to provide practical analysis and conversation that can have a positive impact on your daily practice. An article published in JAMA in March 2023 showed that burnout is estimated to cost the healthcare system at least \$4.6</p>

billion annually, with the greatest burden attributable to turnover and work-hour reductions among primary care physicians. As burnout continues to impact healthcare providers at an alarming rate, this panel seeks to provide attendees with actionable insights and innovative solutions to mitigate these challenges and improve overall job satisfaction, workforce retention and patient care.

Speakers:

- Anwar Jebran, Primary Care Physician Informaticist – Clinical Assistant Profession, Oak Street Health
- Deepti Pandita, Vice President, Informatics and Chief Medical Information Officer, University of California Irvine Health
- Jonah Feldman, Medical Director, Clinical Transformation and Informatics, NYU Langone Health
- Deborah Edberg, Chief Wellness Officer, Oak Street Health

OR

Mastering Cyber Threat Intelligence to Protect Patient Safety

Description: Once upon a time, healthcare leaders were concerned about cybersecurity because they wanted to protect patient data. Today, we understand that cybersecurity also plays a critical role in protecting clinical outcomes. While we have adopted our strategies across the industry, cybercriminals are changing tactics and adapting their strategies at a rate that is difficult to keep pace with. So, how do hospital and healthcare system leaders keep up? Join us for a session dedicated to gathering, assessing and integrating cyber threat intelligence into your cybersecurity strategy. We'll share real-world scenarios gathered by threat intelligence teams from various sources, how to think about and interpret the intelligence, and what to do with it. From red and purple teams to threat hunting and more, we'll show you how cyberattackers find the cracks in your safeguards and security and what to do when it happens. You'll hear from experts in the field who have dedicated their healthcare careers to safeguarding patients' data and health through evolving cybersecurity strategies that keep pace with the rapidly changing strategies of those who seek to harm patients and cripple organizations.

Speakers:

- Jon Moore, Chief Risk Officer and SVP Consulting Services, Clearwater
- Michael Gross, Manager, Cybersecurity Intelligence, Cleveland Clinic

OR

Bridging the Rural Divide: EHR Sharing for Improved Patient Care

Description: Rural healthcare struggles with limited resources and technology, geographic isolation and financial burdens. This session explores how electronic health record (EHR) sharing programs, from a central larger host site to smaller rural sites, can bridge these gaps. We'll discuss the practicalities of implementing such programs, highlighting the benefits for the host organization, rural providers, and the patients and community. These include financial relief for smaller hospitals struggling with expensive EHR systems, improved patient care via coordination across providers, and a unified platform for better population health management to name a few. This session equips healthcare professionals with the knowledge to implement successful EHR sharing programs based on a decade of experience and lessons learned from a successful host site..

	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Winn, Vice President, Parkview Community Connect, Parkview Health
10:27am	Flight AA1975 lands in LAS (Blake Thelander)
11:15AM – 12:15 PM	<p>HIMSS25 Exhibition Hall Open – Exhibitor interactions and live technology demonstrations,</p> <p>Description: Interact with leading healthcare technology companies to gain valuable insights into how innovations are transforming care delivery and improving outcomes across communities and care settings. Experience thousands of innovative products with hands-on and interactive demonstrations and learn from global thought leaders and experts on how technology is delivering better care for more people.</p> <p>Staff will be provided a list of organizations represented from their states or districts, where applicable.</p>
12:15-12:45pm	Lunch Break - <i>**Meal on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem**</i>
12:45 – 1:45 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Real-Time Analytics Monitoring Platform: Usable AI in Action Description: Use of AI tools in healthcare has been accelerating, with growing trust in results produced and delivered by such tools. RAMP, one such tool already in action, focuses on delivering actionable, verifiable and explainable machine learning, integrating it as a decision support tool into clinical workflow to improve insights into patient health trends and facilitate faster delivery of necessary care, improving patient outcomes. AI-driven predictive analytics models utilize complex real-time and historical patient data to provide healthcare professionals with actionable insights, and to alert care teams if the patient is in need of immediate attention.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valentina Baljak, Senior Data Scientist, UVA Health • Margot Bjoring, Data Scientist, UVA Health • Michael van den Bossche, Senior Data Scientist, UVA Health <p>OR</p> <p>Improving Appointment Capacity: Streamlining Scheduling with Physician Engagement and Technology Description: Healthcare systems are challenged to create a streamlined, technology-enabled scheduling workflow to improve appointment capacity, provider satisfaction and overall patient experience. Physician compensation models and preferences don't always align with patient access and healthcare system volume targets. Healthcare system leaders will share their successes and lessons learned using physician engagement and technology to streamline the scheduling workflow and improve appointment capacity for 27 specialties across a large healthcare system. In addition, healthcare system leaders will showcase a financial ROI model that was used to track financial impact of increasing capacity</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Sheinberg, Chief Medical Information Officer, Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health • Gary Davidson, Senior Vice President and Chief Information

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology Officer, Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health • Mary Sirois, Managing Director, Nordic Global <p>OR</p> <p>Improving Appointment Capacity: Streamlining Scheduling with Physician Engagement and Technology Description: Patients have valuable feedback on their experience during their hospital stays and clinic visits. Waiting for the patient to be discharged or leave the facility, then to provide feedback after the fact, represents a common lost opportunity for follow-up and a better, more responsive care journey for that patient. Despite a high level of digital adoption, including EMRAM 7 and regular digital transformation initiatives, our patient feedback process remained manual. We wanted to act on the feedback right away to improve patient experience. “Text the CEO” is an innovative solution that allows hospital leadership and staff to receive and act on patients’ feedback during their visit to a hospital or practice. By allowing any patient, loved one or visitor to reach us by texting “CEO” or scanning a QR code, we receive feedback that can be viewed directly by hospital leadership including the CEO. We also established processes to triage and act on patients’ needs and suggestions. Since initially creating this project in 2021, we have expanded the program from a pilot of 30 hospital locations, to now include an additional 116 outpatient clinics, imaging departments, urgent care facilities and occupational health clinics.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amy Adashek-Pinn, Supervisor, Senior Digital Project Manager, Banner Health
2:00 – 3:00 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Reimagining Care for At-Risk Kids: Lessons in School-Based Access Description: Children in rural underserved areas are much more likely to face adverse childhood experiences, and they’re less likely to receive the support they need, particularly healthcare services. This social determinant of health disproportionately affects low-income youth and students of color. We must come up with new ways to deliver care and service to these youth—starting with school-based healthcare services, both virtual and in-person. In this presentation, leaders for Children’s National Hospital and Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters Health System present evidence that underscores the need for school-based healthcare services, delivered virtually and in-person. They describe the approach their organizations have taken in offering school-based telehealth services, the ways those services have evolved over time, the impact of increased access to physical and mental healthcare on health outcomes and educational performance, and the lessons learned in implementation, engagement, offerings and approach.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cynthia Horner, Chief Medical Officer, Amwell • Shireen Atabaki, Medical Director, School Telemedicine and Emergency Medical Physician, Children’s National Hospital • Tina Gustin, Clinical Manager of Telehealth Services, Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters <p>OR</p>

	<p>Addressing Today's Public Health Crisis: The Future of Mental Health and Addiction Treatment</p> <p>Description: The New Jersey Commissioner of Health, Dr. Kaitlan Baston, will discuss state-level innovations that can scale nationally and even globally to address the nation's top causes of death in young people, up to age 44: overdose, suicide, and homicide. It will take innovation, outside the box thinking, and agility at scale that public-private partnerships can offer to make an impact. This will be followed by a panel discussion of state and national-level experts harnessing the power of technology to address a nation in crisis.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaitlin Baston, Commissioner of Health, New Jersey Department of Health • Allison Arwady, Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, CDC • Christopher Chen, Medical Director, Medicaid and Clinical Informatics, WA State Health Care Authority <p>OR</p> <p>The ROI of AI Enterprise Imagine</p> <p>Description: The return on investment (ROI) for AI in enterprise imaging is a multifaceted subject that encompasses efficiency, accuracy, patient outcomes, and financial considerations. In the realm of radiology, AI's surge has promised to revolutionize the field by increasing diagnostic precision and improving patient care. However, the financial aspect of AI adoption is complex, particularly due to the current lack of direct reimbursement for AI applications in medical imaging. Despite this, AI can indirectly contribute to ROI by enhancing the efficiency of imaging providers and supporting roles which offers greater provider productivity, improved staffing efficiencies, and ultimately improve outcomes reducing the overall cost of healthcare delivery. In this session, we will provide guidance in identifying cost-benefit opportunities and methods for calculating ROI when preparing to deploy varied types of AI for Enterprise Imaging.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dawn Cram, Principle Consultant, EI and AI, The Gordian Knot Group • Larry Sitka, EVP and CSIO, PaxeraHealth
3:15 – 4:15 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Fall Injury Risk Model: From AI to Clinical Interventions</p> <p>Description: We will share UCHealth's deployment of a model predicting risk of inpatient fall with injury using mobility data, behavioral health indicators, and other risk factors to a cloud platform integrated with the Epic EMR. We will then discuss implementation of the model in clinical workflows, highlighting development of a novel UI in the patient chart to present recommendations of interventions to prevent falls based on a patient's unique risk profile.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brendan Drew, Data Scientist, UCHealth • Brittany Cyriacks, Clinical Informaticist, UCHealth

	<p>OR</p> <p>The Day After: Preparing to Recover from a Major Cyberattack Description: Healthcare organizations continue to be targeted by cyberattacks. Cybercriminals are increasingly causing severe damage, which shows that defense cannot be the only strategy. The battle is unfair. IT and cybersecurity professionals must fix and protect all software and hardware at all times, while cyberattacks only have to exploit one technical or human weakness. Healthcare leaders must accept that their organization will suffer a successful attack sooner or later. Healthcare IT needs to focus on reducing the impact of a cyberattack, as well as on improving resilience and recovery times after an attack. The speakers have guided Kaiser Permanente's journey toward cyber resilience. They will share their insights, the difficulties they faced, and the technical and operational improvements made, using a zero-trust approach, to enable their multistate integrated delivery system to continue to care for millions of patients after a major cyberattack.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eric Liederman, CEO, CybersolutionsMD • Bridget Karlin, Senior Vice President, IT Operations, Kaiser Permanente. <p>OR</p> <p>Expanding Use Cases for Genomics: A Precision Medicine Update Description: Two years ago at HIMSS, this speaker discussed how her healthcare organization launched an advanced precision medicine program, making it one of the first to allow any physician to order, result, store and display discrete patient genetic data inside their patient records. This was a remarkable feat, particularly for a midsized community healthcare organization, and evidence that the era of precision medicine had arrived. Since then, Precision Medicine has collected data demonstrating enormous efficiency gains — improvements that have won over physicians already burdened by data overload to begin incorporating genetic findings into their clinical practice. This session will share details of their 50+ percent efficiency gains; explain how clinicians previously unfamiliar with using genetic data in practice are benefiting from genomics today; and describe the program's expansion into areas like precision nutrition, behavioral health and clinical trials matching.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patricia Rice, Clinical Director, Precision Medicine and Genetics, Frederick Health • Jackie Rice, Vice President and CIO, Frederick Health
4:14pm	Flight UA 484 departs DCA (John Harry)
4:15 – 5:15 PM	<p>HIMSS25 Exhibition Hall Open – Cybersecurity Command Center Tour</p> <p>Description: Explore cutting-edge solutions and strategies to protect patient privacy, secure healthcare data, and stay ahead of cyber threats in today's evolving digital landscape. The Cybersecurity Command Center is dedicated to providing insights and solutions to enhance your cybersecurity measures. Attend informative sessions, engage in interactive exercises, and explore innovative technologies that focus on protecting patient privacy and ensuring the integrity of healthcare data.</p>

5:00 – 6:00pm	Government Connections Plaza Networking Reception Join us for the Government Connections Plaza Opening Reception and connect with fellow health information and technology thought leaders and policy influencers from around the globe!
5:30pm	Flight AA2182 departs DCA (Casey Quinn) – connect in CLT to AA1275
8:37pm	Flight UA 484 lands in LAS (John Harry)
9:47pm	Flight AA1275 lands in LAS (Casey Quinn)
	Dinner on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

8:30 – 9:45 AM	<p>Tuesday AM Keynote: Disruptive Technologies: Examining the Challenges and Opportunities of Cyber, AI and Beyond</p> <p>Description: A name synonymous with visionary leadership, retired four-star Army General Paul M. Nakasone is the longest-serving leader of the U.S. Cyber Command and the National Security Agency/Central Security Service, and is regarded among an elite class of leaders whose strategic expertise at the nexus of cybersecurity, technology, and geopolitics has laid the groundwork for upholding our nation's security in the modern age. General Nakasone's career spans more than three decades of pivotal moments in modern warfare and digital defense and he draws upon his experiences constantly at the epicenter of conflict to share battle-tested lessons on transformational leadership, while also examining the challenges and opportunities organizations face in the ever-evolving tech and security landscape.</p>
10:00 – 11:00 AM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Unlocking AI in Healthcare with Federated Learning and Generative AI</p> <p>Description: Large Language Models (LLMs) and Generative AI (GenAI) require substantial datasets for effective training; however, high-quality data in healthcare is scarce due to legal and regulatory challenges. Federated learning, where the model is shared rather than the data, enables broad data access supporting model generalizability and bias mitigation. Hence, federated research networks can be significantly augmented by clinical LLMs and GenAI to structure electronic health records (EHRs) for AI applications, support advanced analytics on multimodal data, compose patient charts from verbal physician-patient interactions, and generate discharge notes. LLMs can also help facilitate research and clinical decision-making, improving patient care. Due to inherent biases and risks of generating inaccurate information (hallucinations), LLMs should however be used as co-pilots or under human supervision to prevent patient harm. Ultimately, we are now at a pivotal time where federated learning and GenAI approaches have the potential to significantly impact AI implementation across healthcare.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vishakha Sharma, Senior Principal Data Scientist, Roche • Michael Pfeffer, Chief Information and Digital Officer, Stanford Health Care • Sonya Makhni, Medical Director of Applied Informatics, May Clinic • Frederik Buijs, Senior Global Medical Director, Roche Pharmaceuticals

	<p>OR</p> <p>Transform Your Future: Key Strategies for Digital Change Success Description: In today's fast-paced healthcare technology landscape, leaders are at the forefront of driving successful digital software adoption. This dynamic session delves into the best practices for preparing your organization for a seamless digital transformation. With a focus on change management and process improvement, we will uncover strategies to align your organizational culture, boost stakeholder engagement, and streamline processes for smooth software integration. Attendees will benefit from real-world case studies featuring several vendor products across various areas of healthcare, from mature solutions to pilots with new entrants in the field. Gain actionable insights to overcome resistance, foster collaboration, and promote continuous improvement. This engaging best practice discussion will equip you with the knowledge and tools needed to lead your organization through transformative change effectively. Whether you're facing resistance to change or seeking to enhance stakeholder alignment, this session offers the expertise to navigate these challenges and drive success in your digital initiatives. Don't miss this opportunity to transform your approach to digital software implementation and position your organization at the cutting edge of healthcare technology. Join us and become a leader in strategic transformation.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crystal Broj, Health System Chief Digital Transformation Officer, Medical University of South Carolina • Franco Cardillo, Executive Director, Digital Strategy and Operations, Medical University of South Carolina <p>OR</p> <p>Preventing Ransomware Disruptions: An Approach to Cyber and Clinical Resilience Description: This panel discussion brings together executive leadership, cyber security operations, and clinical engineering leadership and expertise for a multidimensional discussion on bolstering resiliency in healthcare organization. Focused on both cyber and clinical perspectives, this talk explores the cyber elements that can lead to visibility and prevention of ransomware, but also the clinical downstream effects and involvement of clinical engineering and patient care teams. Given the large-scale cyber attacks that continue to plague the healthcare industry, this talk looks to explore the impacts, resources and collaboration teams across the organization—from engineers to executive leadership to cybersecurity to clinical staff—that are needed to help protect healthcare organizations, minimize downtime and take resiliency to the next level. Practical steps and guidance will be provided from leading healthcare organizations in how they assessed and tackled ransomware resiliency from a people, process and technology perspective..</p> <p>•</p>
<p>11:00 AM – 12:00 PM</p>	<p>HIMSS25 Exhibition Hall Open – Exhibitor interactions and live technology demonstrations,</p> <p>Description: Interact with leading healthcare technology companies to gain valuable insights into how innovations are transforming care delivery and improving outcomes across communities and care settings. Experience thousands of innovative products with hands-on and interactive demonstrations and learn from global thought leaders and experts on how technology is</p>

	<p>delivering better care for more people.</p> <p>Staff will be provided a list of organizations represented from their states or districts, where applicable.</p>
12:00-12:45pm	<p>Lunch Break - <i>**Meal on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem**</i></p>
12:45 – 1:45 am	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Congressional Forum: Views from the Hill</p> <p>Description: The Congressional Forum is a lively panel discussion featuring key House and Senate staffers on the digital health policy landscape and what we can expect from the legislative agenda in 2025. This session will look at the pressing issues facing lawmakers and what opportunities exist with a divided Congress to pass meaningful legislation that will advance the U.S. health system transformation.</p> <p>Speakers (invited):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Harry, House VA Committee • Sam Kaardal, House VA Committee • Casey Quinn, House Ways & Means Committee • Gable Brady, Senate Finance Committee • Blake Thelander, Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks <p>OR</p> <p>Leveraging Virtual Care to Alleviate the Healthcare Workforce Strain</p> <p>Description: As healthcare systems grapple with workforce shortages and provider burnout, virtual care has emerged as a vital solution to mitigate these challenges. This session will explore the transformative virtual care delivery models that extend provider reach, improve access to care and reduce burnout among staff. Realizing these benefits requires significant investment, robust infrastructure and effective change management. A panel of digital health leaders from three prominent academic medical centers will discuss how their organizations leverage state-of-the-art telehealth technology, remote monitoring and other digital strategies to transform patient care and alleviate the strain on healthcare professionals. Programs featured include virtual nursing, tele-hospitalist rounding, TeleICU to support new PICU nurses, hospital access line telemedicine programs, and a virtual-only specialty practice. Leaders will outline key considerations for setting program strategy, discuss resources required for implementation, and share data demonstrating the impact of these programs on the workforce.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jared Augemsteom, Managing Director, Manatt Health • Ann Hufferberger, Director, Penn Center for Connected Care, University of Pennsylvania Medicine • Emily Warr, Administrator, Center for Telehealth, Medical University of South Carolina • Rebecca Canino, Executive Director, Office of Telemedicine, Johns Hopkins Medicine <p>OR</p> <p>Virtual Checkout: Optimizing the Patient Experience with Novel Technology</p>

	<p>Description: In this session, we will introduce you to a digital whiteboard to check out patients seamlessly from their exam room. We will review the design, pilot and implementation process for this workflow that was created for a new specialty-care space, and how you can implement a telemedicine-based checkout solution at your institution.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew Coccagna, Director, Telehealth, Jefferson Health • Catriona McDonal Harrop, SVP, Jefferson Medical Group, Thomas Jefferson University • Judd Hollander, SVP, Healthcare Delivery Innovation, Professor of Emergency Medicine, Jefferson Health
2:00 – 3:00 pm	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Leveraging Health Information Exchange for Clinical Decision Support at Scale</p> <p>Description: This panel will explore the transformative potential of Health Information Exchange (HIE) in enhancing clinical decision support (CDS) across healthcare systems. Moderated by an expert clinical informatician, the session will feature insights from three distinguished co-panelists. The executive director of an HIE will discuss the opportunities for improving CDS through comprehensive data sharing. The head of informatics from a leading publisher will present an innovative knowledge graph, a comprehensive repository of computable biomedical evidence for the domain of medicine. Lastly, the vice president of clinical reasoning from a health IT platform company will illustrate the practical deployment of this knowledge graph on the platform, demonstrating how it facilitates advanced clinical reasoning at scale. Attendees will gain a deep understanding of the synergistic role of HIE, knowledge graphs, and health IT platforms in revolutionizing clinical decision-making and improving patient outcomes.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blackford Middleton, CEO, Middleton Consulting • Tim Pletcher, Founding Executive Director, Michigan Health Information Networks Shared Services (miHIN) • Chris Wroe, Health Informatician, BMJ Knowledge • Rob Reynolds, Director, Product, Smile Digital Health <p>OR</p> <p>Cybersecurity in Post-Acute: Current Status and Recommendations</p> <p>Description: Join us to learn the current state of cybersecurity in Post-Acute Care settings, with a focus on nursing homes, home health, and assisted living facilities. After a review of the current status, which will include a discussion of third-party incidents that affect providers in this space, we will discuss the interoperability expectations and challenges faced. After exploring provider initiatives and activities to improve security, we will discuss how these activities align with the cybersecurity performance goals from the National Cybersecurity Strategic Plan. Recommendations including cyber security contract reviews, best practices for keeping your organization safe from cyber attacks, and understanding cyber liability insurance policies.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tamra Dufree, vCISO, Fortified Health Security • Robert Latz, CIO, Trinity Rehab Services

	<p>OR</p> <p>Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare: Medical Research Applications and Considerations Description: The emergence of artificial intelligence (AI) as a tool for better healthcare offers opportunities to improve patient and clinical outcomes, reduce costs and improve population health. AI-related technologies can change patient care and administrative processes within healthcare delivery organizations. The ever-increasing volume and complexity of healthcare data provide an ideal environment for the application of AI. It is important to remember that AI is not a single technology but a collection of technologies that perform many tasks. As with any new technology entering the healthcare arena, there are several challenges faced by AI. Some of the common setbacks for AI in healthcare include a lack of data exchange, regulatory compliance requirements, and patient and provider adoption. AI has emerged as a powerful tool in the field of drug discovery, transforming traditional approaches and revolutionizing the way we identify potential therapeutic compounds. Additionally, AI use in medical research has aided in reducing the time for development, trials and use of medical breakthroughs.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • James Angle, Product Manager, Information Security Planning and Integration, Trinity Health
3:15 – 4:15 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Mind the Gap: CareFirst's Journey to Connecting Technology, Social Needs, and Health Outcomes Description: is session explores how a not-for-profit, mission-driven healthcare company serving more than 3.6 million members across the mid-Atlantic region identifies and measures social risks. Leveraging data, technology, and surveillance, they partner to implement impactful "boots on the ground" interventions that reduce disparities and drive meaningful health outcomes. Attendees will gain insight into why social risk measurement is essential for improving health outcomes, reducing costs, supporting value-based care models, and advancing health equity.</p> <p>The session also highlights how these efforts align with the organization's larger mission and strategy, showcasing its commitment to systemic transformation and equity. By connecting technology with community-based solutions, they demonstrate the power of collaboration and innovation to bridge gaps in care. Participants will leave with actionable takeaways to integrate these principles into their own efforts toward achieving health equity.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Destiny-Simone Ramjohn, VP, Community Health & Social Impact, CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield • Bryan Buckley, Health of Public Health, CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield <p>OR</p> <p>Accelerating Value-Based Care Transformation with an Enterprise Data Fabric Description: This session will highlight how Banner Health—one of the top</p>

	<p>health systems in the country—identified redundancies in its IT backbone, refined its data archival strategy, and streamlined applications with intelligence layers to reduce technology costs.</p> <p>The session will also provide a front-line perspective on how Banner deployed an integrated, comprehensive, interoperable data platform — an enterprise data lake to close care gaps and access actionable, data-driven insights aimed at improving care delivery.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jen Brooks, VP, Administrative, Population Health and Value-Based Care Services, Banner Health • Brian Silverstein, Chief Population Health Officer, Innovaccer, Inc. <p>OR</p> <p>Proactive and Reactive Strategies to Minimize Data Disruptions in Healthcare</p> <p>Description: The integrity and reliability of healthcare data are paramount for efficient operations and quality patient care. However, imperfect data can disrupt systems, leading to significant operational challenges. Discover how a blend of proactive and reactive data management strategies can enhance healthcare operations. Learn practical steps to prevent data errors, swiftly address disruptions, and build resilient data governance frameworks that boost patient care quality and organizational efficiency. This session details a comprehensive, best practices approach to data management that helps prevent data issues and effectively respond to them when they occur. Proactive strategies prevent errors through automation, thorough documentation and clear data expectations. Reactive strategies involve rapid detection of issues, containment of “bad” data and restoring systems to their functional state. By implementing these strategies into a data governance plan, healthcare organizations can enhance data quality, build system resilience and maintain trust in their data operations.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mac Marlow, CIO, Southwestern Health Resources • Mary Kuchenbrod, General Manager, Core Customers, Arcadia
4:15 – 5:15 PM	<p>HIMSS25 Exhibition Hall Open – Artificial Intelligence Pavilion Tour</p> <p>Description: At the AI Pavilion, you will learn how healthcare is harnessing the power of AI to revolutionize healthcare technology. Discover and interact with cutting-edge tools and applications designed to improve disease detection, diagnosis, and patient experiences, and engage with thought leaders and industry experts who will showcase how AI is shaping the future of healthcare.</p>
	<p>Dinner on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem</p>

Thursday, March 6, 2025

7:00 – 8:30 AM	<p>HIMSS Global Public Policy Breakfast</p> <p>Description: HIMSS marquee public policy event to hear HIMSS’ public policy strategy for 2025 and hear from health IT’s premier global thought leaders and network with stakeholders from across the healthcare industry.</p> <p>Government Speakers (Pending)</p>
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8:30 – 9:30 AM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Using Biometrics to Address a Patient Misidentification Crisis Description: This panel discussion will address the challenges of patient misidentification and the growth of duplicate records in healthcare, which compromise patient safety and inflate costs. Panelists will explore factors that have contributed to the patient misidentification crisis, including mergers and acquisition, the COVID-19 pandemic, and the use of non-unique identifiers like names and birthdates, especially in large populations. Additionally, interoperability issues between healthcare systems and the inaccuracies in manual data entry are also a factor. Healthcare leaders from US hospitals will discuss their strategies to combat patient misidentification. Panelists will explain their approaches to patient identification – including the use of manual data like names and dates of birth for identification, as well as the use of biometric technologies like facial recognition and palm-vein scanning, and the pros and cons of different methods. They will explore challenges in creating unique patient identifiers and navigating privacy, compliance, and interoperability, and discuss the legislative implications of the Match IT Act, aimed at standardizing patient identification. The session will provide insights into best practices for improving patient identification accuracy, streamlining registration, and minimizing errors and their fallout.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sean Kelly, Chief Medical Officer and SVP, Customer Strategy, Healthcare, Imprivata • Eric Alper, SVP, Chief Quality Officer and Chief Clinical Informatics Officer, UMass Memorial Health • Michael Bouton, Chief Medical Information Officer, NYC Health and Hospitals <p>OR</p> <p>Reducing Clinician Burnout with AI-Driven Chatbot Integrated with EHR Systems Description: This session explores the successful implementation of an AI-driven chatbot designed to reduce the burden of clinicians in engaging assistance with their EHR support needs. Attendees will learn about the challenges encountered, best practices adopted and outcomes achieved. Key findings include substantial time savings in issue reporting and information retrieval, and increased user satisfaction. The presentation will also highlight how the success of this project has sparked interest in AI solutions across various hospital departments, leading to broader adoption. Future roadmap plans include integrating more generative AI capabilities to handle complex queries and provide proactive support. The take-home message emphasizes the transformative potential of AI-driven tools in optimizing healthcare workflows and improving overall productivity.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julie Dearing-Smith, Corporate Director, Clinical Applications and Support, Baptist Health Care • Mohammad Mohsin Khalid, CEO, Imperium Dynamics OR <p>Empowering Surgical Excellence Through Data-Driven Insights in Robotic</p>

	<p>Surgery Description: This presentation will showcase how Lee Health's robotic surgery data analytics dashboard transforms surgical services. We will demonstrate the dashboard's ability to turn raw data into strategic, actionable insights that enhance patient care and operational efficiency. Attendees will learn how this interactive tool has driven a notable increase in robotic surgeries, improved quality metrics and bolstered financial performance. The dashboard fosters a culture of excellence and promotes continuous improvement across various surgical service lines by supporting clinical and financial decision-making. This session will provide valuable insights into the practical applications of data-driven approaches in healthcare operations, highlighting the dashboard's role in driving sustainable robotic surgery program growth and ensuring optimal patient outcomes.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marcelo Zottolo, VP, Data Analytics and Performance Improvement, Lee Health • Odalys Corominas, Advanced Business Intelligence Developer, Lee Health • Juan Ibarra, System Robotic Surgery Program Manager, Lee Health
<p>9:45 – 10:45 PM</p>	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Revolutionizing Drug Development Through Strategic and Evidence-Driven Digital Health Innovations Description: Digital Health Technologies (DHTs) are currently being implemented in drug development and healthcare settings, ranging from regulatory endorsed to innovative exploratory technological development. As advancements in sensing technologies and their verified and validated use in effective clinical decision-making progress along with the necessary infrastructure to support their integration, we can expect a streamlined and more efficient integration of DHTs across various stages of drug development. This will support areas such as population identification/stratification, dose selection, collection of real-world data and real-world evidence, evidence for effectiveness and safety, and disease management. This session will include a panel discussion to help the audience gain a better understanding of existing applications and opportunities for DHTs in drug development and important considerations for their validation and/or endorsement by regulatory agencies depending on the development stage. The talks will explore diverse technological advancements within DHTs and their utilization across various stages and processes in drug development. Furthermore, we will delve into the synergistic use of DHTs in drug development and clinical care settings.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sakshi Sardar, Senior Director, Critical Path Institute • Kristen Sowalsky, VP, Product and Scientific Affairs, Clario • Fatta Nahab, Executive Director, Clinical and Digital Development, Neuron23 • Jeremy Wyatt, CEO, ActiGraph <p>OR</p> <p>Unlocking Virtual Care: A Collaborative Approach to Expansion and Success Description: Many health systems' journeys into wide-scale virtual care really began with the urgent need to respond to the pandemic. In this session,</p>

	<p>attendees will learn how one health system was able to streamline and standardize processes across their extensive network, encompassing over 100 locations, even extending care to rural schools. Their success lies in strategic collaboration between two key leaders who, together, prioritize new virtual care areas, demonstrate value, and ensure seamless integration with staff, patients, and stakeholders. Transitioning from decentralized efforts to a unified framework, this health system was able to achieve notable milestones such as significant time savings for nursing staff and securing grants for community-based care initiatives. This unified approach ensures sustainable growth and technological integration, delivering effective virtual care experiences to diverse communities within their reach.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Wilson, Senior Director, Health System Enterprise Growth Strategy, Teladoc Health • Carmen Clipper, VP, Planning and Growth, Valley Health System • Delores Gehr, Chief Nursing Officer and Director, Patient Care Services, Valley Health System, Warren Memorial Hospital <p>OR</p> <p>Harmony in Healthcare: Building Interoperability Across Specialized Mental Health Settings</p> <p>Description: The fragmentation of healthcare data across multiple service settings presents significant challenges around coalescing that data into a clinically meaningful format. These issues are further exacerbated when certain stakeholders, like mental health providers, are not eligible for meaningful use incentives and therefore significantly lag behind their physical healthcare provider counterparts when it comes to adoption of EHRs and other clinical IT systems. To address these challenges, the New York State Office of Mental Health (NYS OMH) has begun developing a comprehensive interoperability solution to facilitate the seamless transfer and ingestion of specialized healthcare data from across a range of care settings to a centralized OMH repository. This technical solution and best practices will enable mental healthcare providers to share their data more easily for regulatory tracking and to provide OMH insight on programs and their effectiveness.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitin Gupta, Director, PSYCKES Application and Learning Healthcare Systems • Vishak Oliparambil Shanmughan, Interoperability Lead, Office of Population Health and Evaluation • Kristen McLaughlin, Director, Medical Informatics, Office of Population Health and Evaluation
<p>10:45 AM – 11:45 PM</p> <p>(When not at educational sessions or for non-scheduled time)</p>	<p>HIMSS25 Exhibition Hall Open – Interop + Smart Experience Tour</p> <p>Description: Learn from experts and explore secure, innovative solutions that overcome system incompatibilities, driving a more connected and trusted healthcare ecosystem. This dynamic space is designed to immerse you in real-world, cutting-edge innovations through two distinct experiences. Watch live demonstrations of how products seamlessly exchange data using established interoperability standards by showcasing user stories, demonstrating the secure and efficient exchange of health information — driving better patient outcomes. You will also explore groundbreaking products showcased in futuristic environments like the 'Hospital of the Future' and 'Smart Home.' These showcases highlight innovations reshaping healthcare, with a focus on the</p>

	product itself and its impact, without the need to emphasize connectivity or integration.
11:45-12:45pm	Lunch Break - <i>**Meal on your own, by PTS consistent with per diem**</i>
12:58pm	Flight AA3275 departs LAS (Sam Kaardal, Reggie Darby, LeeAnn Perrit, Blake Thelander)
12:45 – 1:45 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Interoperability Compliance: Clinical Data Exchange and All the FHIR Jazz Description: Are you seeking guidance on how to comply with the CMS Interoperability and Prior Authorization Final Rule (CMS-0057)? A former National Coordinator for Health Information Technology and a program manager of an innovative private sector initiative comprised of industry leaders and health information technology technical experts who are working together to accelerate the adoption of HL7® FHIR® as the standard to support and integrate value-based care (VBC) data exchange across communities will discuss real world application of the implementation guides referenced in patient, provider, and payer-to-payer APIs. The presenters will outline how APIs interact with common payer and provider workflow challenges like risk, quality, prior authorization, so we can enable automation, streamline workflows and improve healthcare delivery.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Rucker, Chief Strategy Officer, 1uphealth • Jocelyn Keegan, Program Manager, HL7 Da Vinci Project and Payer, Provider, Technology Practice Lead, Point-of-Care Partners <p>OR</p> <p>Revolutionizing Healthcare: How Shared Informatics is Transforming Clinical Practice Description: Get ready to be inspired! This session dives into the world of clinical and nursing informatics, unveiling the diverse team behind the tools that empower better care. We'll break down the different roles within this dynamic field, from the architects of electronic health records to the champions of clinical data analysis. Our secret weapon? Synergy! The combined power of the different informatics roles working together. We'll share real-life experiences of how a shared model approach has unleashed incredible results. Imagine a healthcare environment where staff feel more productive and valued, thanks to clear and effective collaboration. Clinical initiatives thrive with the combined expertise of the informatics team, and efficiency soars as information flows seamlessly across the healthcare system. By the end of this session, you'll be able to identify the key players in clinical and nursing informatics, understand how each role contributes to successful healthcare projects, and discover the power of a shared model for boosting performance and efficiency.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Samantha McColley, Solution Architect Informatics Lead, Mayo Clinic • Camille York, Clinical Systems Specialist, Mayo Clinic • Abi Jireh Paraon, Project Specialist Informaticist, Mayo Clinic <p>OR</p> <p>Breaking Barriers: Personalizing Medicine through Digital Biomarker Integration Description: Clinical biomarkers, characteristics to every human, everywhere,</p>

	<p>are critical in the design and development of clinical trials to improve the efficiency and reduce the high rate of drug development failure rates. By creating more accurate data and driving personalized medicine, digital biomarkers hold the keys to measuring the effects of investigational drugs used in clinical trials. This session aims to provide a comprehensive perspective on how this initiative is a collaborative effort rather than a siloed one, emphasizing the importance of partnership in achieving more personalized patient outcomes. We will explore the roles of various stakeholders and how their collaboration can drive innovation and improve patient care.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rich Carter, SVP and Chief Digital Officer, Eli Lilly and Company
2:00 – 3:00 PM	<p>Concurrent Education Sessions, staffers will choose from one of the following sessions:</p> <p>Know Thy Patient: AI/ML-Driven Clustering of Diabetes/Hypertension Populations Description: In Dallas County's safety-net population, an AI/machine learning-driven unsupervised clustering algorithm identifies clusters of diabetic and hypertensive patients with a combination of social and clinical risk factors associated with suboptimal quality of care (e.g., inadequate of Hemoglobin A1C monitoring) and poor disease control. Clusters analyses uncover underlying, actionable risk drivers such as criminal justice involvement and immigration concerns that require innovative, culturally-responsive approaches for a sustainable engagement of these vulnerable populations into effective preventive care. Additional in-depth analyses identify missed and potential opportunities for care engagement that inform innovative workflow modifications leveraging traditional (e.g., EHR-based standing orders) and nontraditional (e.g., telehealth modalities and mobile units) approaches to effectively engage and support these vulnerable populations and improve health quality, outcomes and equity countywide. The data sets and analytical approaches are scalable and replicable to other vulnerable populations nationwide.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yolande Pengetnze, VP, Clinical Leadership, Parkland Center for Clinical Innovation • Michael Lane, SVP, Chief Quality and Safety Officer, Parkland Health • Yusuf Tamer, Principal Data and Applied Scientist, Parkland Center for Clinical Innovation • Teresita Oaks, Director, Community Health Programs, Parkland Health <p>OR</p> <p>Advancing Your Organization's Healthcare Cybersecurity Posture Through Practical Cybersecurity Guidance Description: The National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (NCCoE) Healthcare team has published cybersecurity guidance that addresses privacy and security concerns affecting the healthcare sector, ultimately advancing the cybersecurity posture of healthcare delivery organizations. In addition to healthcare, the NCCoE is actively producing guidance in other important technology spaces. This best practice session will provide an overview of NCCoE Healthcare guidance and will highlight other NCCoE projects and how their guidance can be applied within the Healthcare sector. In addition, attendees will gain an understanding of how NIST Frameworks and other standards play an integral role in the consolidation of NCCoE cybersecurity</p>

	<p>guidance.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ronald Pulivarti, Healthcare, Program Manager, National Institute of Standards and Technology/NCCoE • Sue Wang, Principal Cybersecurity Engineer, NCCoE and The Mitre Corporation <p>OR</p> <p>Financial Pressures in Health Systems: Responsible Innovation for Sustaining Missions</p> <p>Description: Health systems continue to face challenging financial considerations, with shrinking provider panels and reimbursements, larger patient panels, and higher margin pressures. In this environment, even though innovative solutions hold promise, the ability for organizations to invest in them is compromised. Digital innovation departments in these hospitals need to find fiscally responsible ways to move the organization towards innovation, and even generate non-research, non-clinical revenue to create meaningful opportunities to continue pursuing the mission of innovation, while reducing the financial burden of doing so.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Xavier Avat, EVP, Chief Business Officer, Moffitt Cancer Center • Rasu Shrestha, EVP and Chief Innovation and Commercialization Officer, Advocate Health • Lindsay Deneault, Assistant VP, Partnership Development, Innovation, & New Ventures, Advocate Health
3:30 – 4:45 PM	<p>Thursday PM Keynote: A Conversation with Simone Biles</p> <p>Description: Widely regarded as one of the greatest athletes of all time, Simone Biles' accomplishments go well beyond being the most decorated gymnast globally. Known for her leadership on and off the floor, Simone is an advocate for mental health awareness, knowing all too well how everyday stressors can exert physical as well as emotional injury. Simone herself demonstrated the courage to "pause" from the demands of the 2020 Olympic Games, remove herself from competition, and focus on her own mental health and self-care. Her courage to place her health and well-being over her aspirations and ambitions resonates with so many in the health information and technology environment as well. In this HIMSS25 closing keynote conversation, prepare to be inspired by Simone's global impact on how faith, family, passion, and perseverance has provided the tenacity to overcome everyday challenges.</p>
	Conclusion of Conference
8:23pm	Flight AA3275 lands DCA (Sam Kaardal, Reggie Darby, LeeAnn Perrit, Blake Thelander)
11:35pm	Flight UA284 departs LAS (Casey Quinn)

****For any staffers extending trip at their own expense or staying overnight and flying out in the morning.**

Friday, March 7th, 2025

6:58am	Flight UA284 lands IAD (Casey Quinn)
10:55am	Flight UA1776 departs LAS (John Harry)
8:57pm	Flight UA1776 lands DCA (John Harry)

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: LeeAnn Perritt
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS)
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Las Vegas, Nevada
4. a. Date of Departure: March 3rd, 2025 Date of Return: March 6th, 2025
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
 - (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
 - (2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
 - (3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
As a Research Assistant for HVAC, attending the HIMSS Conference would be beneficial for policy and legislative efforts on the Subcommittee on Technology Modernization. It will enhance my understanding into the latest healthcare technologies, engage with Industry Leaders on solutions for the EHR, Cybersecurity and Interoperability which are key issues for the Committee.
9. **Yes No Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____

Date: 02/03/2025



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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Washington, DC 20515

February 28, 2025

Ms. Lee Perritt
Committee on Veterans' Affairs
364 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Perritt:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, scheduled for March 3 to 6, 2025, sponsored by Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS).

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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