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Health Level Seven Announces New Board and TSC Members, Fellows and Volunteer of the Year Awards

ATLANTA – Sept. 18, 2019 – Health Level Seven® (HL7®) International, the global authority on interoperability of health information technology with members in 55 countries, announced election results for its board of directors and technical steering committee at the 33rd Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting in Atlanta, GA. The 2019 class of HL7 Fellows and the 2019 recipients of the W. Edward Hammond, Ph.D. Volunteer of the Year Awards were also recognized at the event.

HL7 Board Member Elections

Four members were elected to the HL7 board of directors for the 2020-2021 term:

- **Treasurer** — Floyd Eisenberg, M.D., president, iParsimony LLC
- **Director – Practicing Physician** — Julia Skapik, M.D., chief health information officer, Cognitive Medical Systems, Inc.
- **Director – Implementation Experience** — Viet Nguyen, M.D., technical director, HL7 Da Vinci Project and founder, Stratametrics
- **Affiliate Director** — Peter Jordan, solutions architect, Patients First Ltd; co-chair, HL7 International Council; and chair, HL7 New Zealand

HL7 Technical Steering Committee Elections

Five members were elected to the HL7 technical steering committee for the 2020-2021 term:

- **Affiliate Representative** — Giorgio Cangioli, Ph.D., chair, HL7 Italy
- **Administrative Steering Division** — Mary Kay McDaniel, principal, health care data standards, Cognosante, LLC
- **Clinical Steering Division** — David Pyke, team lead, quality assurance and support, Ready Computing Inc.
- **Infrastructure Steering Division** — Rob McClure, president, MD Partners, Inc.
2019 HL7 Fellows
The HL7 Fellow Award was presented to five individuals during HL7’s 33rd Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting in Atlanta. The award was established to recognize HL7 members with at least 15 years of active membership as well as outstanding service, commitment and contributions to HL7. The 2019 recipients of the HL7 Fellowship Award include:

- Marivan Abrahao, M.D.
- Catherine Chronaki
- Gora Datta
- Martin Entwistle
- Julie James
- Lenel James
- Robert Jenders, M.D.
- Brian Pech
- Francisco Perez
- Timo Tarhonen

HL7 Volunteers of the Year
HL7 honored three members with the 23rd annual W. Edward Hammond, Ph.D. Volunteer of the Year Award. Established in 1997, the award is named after Dr. Ed Hammond, one of HL7’s most active volunteers and a founding member as well as past board chair. The award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to HL7’s success. The 2019 recipients include:

- Jean Duteau, director, Duteau Design, Inc.
- Reed Gelzer, M.D., HIT policy and EHR specialist, Trustworthy EHR, LLC
- Emma Jones, expert business analyst, Allscripts

About the Volunteers:
Jean Duteau has been a member of the HL7 Canada affiliate since 2006 and HL7 International since 2007. Jean has held several positions throughout his 10-year tenure at the organization. He currently serves as a member of the HL7 Architectural Review Board, the CDA Management Group and the Education Advisory Council. Jean is also the modeling and methodology facilitator for the Pharmacy Work Group and as the publishing facilitator for the Public Health Work Group. In addition, he currently serves as a co-chair for the Modeling and Methodology and Pharmacy Work Groups, an interim co-chair of the Cross-Group Projects Work Group and is one of two international representatives on the HL7 Technical Steering Committee.
Reed Gelzer, M.D. first became involved in HL7 in 2004 and joined as a member in 2011. As a physician and EHR compliance expert, he provides valuable information integrity insights and clinical expertise to the development of HL7 standards, particularly those under the leadership of the EHR Work Group. From 2004 to 2016, Reed was a major contributor to the group responsible for the development of the HL7 EHR Records Management and Evidentiary Support Standard. In 2008, he was a member of and the co-facilitator of the Podiatry Profile Group within HL7, advancing the FHIR test of concept for the Accuracy and Authenticity project test of concept in the form of a Wound Assessment and Treatment Template.

Emma Jones leads a team of developers for Allscripts and has been a member of HL7 since 2010. A registered nurse with a background in home health and chronic care management, she brings invaluable experience to HL7. She has served as co-chair of the HL7 Patient Care Work Group since 2015 and is a contributing member of the HL7 Da Vinci project.

About Health Level Seven International (HL7)  
Founded in 1987, Health Level Seven International is the global authority for healthcare information interoperability and standards with affiliates established in more than 30 countries. HL7 is a non-profit, ANSI accredited standards development organization dedicated to providing a comprehensive framework and related standards for the exchange, integration, sharing, and retrieval of electronic health information that supports clinical practice and the management, delivery and evaluation of health services. HL7’s members represent approximately 500 corporate members, which include more than 90 percent of the information systems vendors serving healthcare. HL7 collaborates with other standards developers and provider, payer, philanthropic and government agencies at the highest levels to ensure the development of comprehensive and reliable standards and successful interoperability efforts.

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