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## **HL7® Da Vinci Project Names Eight Health IT Professionals ‘2022 Community Champions’**

**ANN ARBOR, Mich. – August 23, 2023** – The Health Level Seven® International (HL7®) [Da Vinci Project](#) recently named eight healthcare technology experts as its 2022 Da Vinci Community Champions. The individuals recognized for this prestigious honor represent the diverse membership of the HL7® Da Vinci Project, a collaborative multi-stakeholder effort including health plans, hospital systems, accountable care organizations (ACOs) and technology vendors. Honorees were nominated by their peers for their efforts in 2022. This is the third year in which the HL7® Da Vinci Project has recognized innovative leaders in health IT who are helping to guide the evolution of the HL7 Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR®) standard.

As a designated HL7 FHIR Accelerator™ Program, the Da Vinci Project is a private sector consortium dedicated to improving the healthcare delivery system by accelerating interoperability standards to support value-based care, reduce administrative burden, automate workflow and improve provider teams' ability to impact health outcomes. The Da Vinci Project leadership created the Community Champions Program to recognize and celebrate the talented problem solvers advancing interoperability within the industry. The Community Champion Program puts a spotlight on individuals who display the unique traits of "industry above self, a passion for making the healthcare system work better, supporting others, and promoting change."

The HL7 Da Vinci Project's 2022 Community Champions are:

- Susan Bellile, principal, Clinical Solutions, Availity
- Caitlyn Campi, digital interoperability product owner, Florida Blue

- Kyle Johnsen, software developer, Epic
- Tom Loomis - contract software architect, Evernorth, and owner, Arcanum Solutions, LLC
- Michael Marchant, director, Interoperability and Health Information Exchange, UC Davis Health
- Ezequiel (EZ) Morales, architecture senior advisor – Interoperability, Evernorth
- Snapper Ploen, associate director of marketing, content creation & distribution, MCG Health
- Matt Schuller, director, Health IT and Industry Standards, Interoperability Solutions, Blue Cross Blue Shield Association

“On behalf of the HL7® Da Vinci Project, our Steering Committee and members, it is our pleasure to recognize the 2022 Da Vinci Community Champions. A FHIR accelerator’s greatest strength are the people partnering with us to solve today’s interoperability challenges,” said Kirk Anderson, HL7 Da Vinci Project Steering Committee member and vice president and chief technology officer at Cambia Health Solutions.

“The Da Vinci Community Champions help cultivate transformational change through collaboration between payers, providers and vendors and a shared vision of improving health care data exchange. Each individual was nominated by their peers based on their daily applied effort, exemplary achievements and unique contributions to the Da Vinci Project in 2022. We are honored to have the support of community members who share our goals, and to encourage and inspire others to join us on this journey to improve the delivery of care using FHIR APIs.”

### **About Health Level Seven International (HL7)**

Health Level Seven® International (HL7) is an ANSI-accredited, not-for-profit standards developing organization with the mission of empowering global health interoperability. With affiliates in over 30 countries, HL7’s global membership envisions a world in which everyone can securely access and use the right data when and where they need it. Widely implemented by vendor and healthcare systems, and required by governing bodies around the world, HL7 standards deliver solutions for health information technology, including HL7® Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR®), Version 2 (V2) and Clinical Document Architecture (CDA®). For more information, visit HL7.org. [www.HL7.org](http://www.HL7.org).

### **About the HL7 Da Vinci Project**

As an HL7 FHIR Accelerator, the HL7 Da Vinci Project is a 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. The Da Vinci Project focuses on minimizing the development and deployment of one-off solutions between partners with a goal to help all clinicians and health plans to better deliver clinical quality, value and care management outcomes. The core focus of phase one of the project is to deliver implementation guides and reference software implementations to the public for data exchange and workflows necessary to support providers and payers entering and managing VBC contracts and relationships.

To learn more about the HL7 Da Vinci Project and to sign up for the listserv, please visit:

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