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“Interconnected Health 2012” Call for Participation

April 2-4, 2012 in Chicago

Needham, MA, USA and Ann Arbor, MI, USA and Chicago USA – December 22, 2011 – OMG®, Health Level Seven® International (HL7®), and Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), today announced the Call for Participation for “Interconnected Health 2012: *Enabling Health through High-Impact IT.*” The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare in Chicago, IL on April 2-4, 2012. Registration and abstract submission details may be found online at <http://www.interconnected-health.org/cfp>.

Interconnected Health 2012 will focus on approaches, challenges, and solutions affecting the ability to connect health organizations and systems, and the role of IT as an enabler in achieving this connectivity. Geared toward the CxO suite and senior leaders within healthcare organizations, *Interconnected Health* provides a venue to hear what peer organizations are doing (both within the US and abroad), to exchange ideas, and to interact with peers who are leaders in this space.

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Call for Abstracts

The conference Review Committee is seeking proposals for presentations based on “real-world” organizational experiences, evaluations, case studies or research papers relevant to the conference themes of interconnected healthcare, information sharing, service-oriented architecture, enterprise architecture, business process management, and interoperability. Please indicate whether you are recommending your submission for the Executive Summit, the Functional Track, or the Technical Track. Topics may include (but aren’t limited to):

- Business Enablement (Enterprise Architecture, Business Process Management)
- Architecture (Business, System, SOA and Technical)
- Information Semantics, Ontology, Vocabulary
- Application Innovation (Integration, Open Source, Legacy Enablement, etc.)
- Infrastructure Innovation (Virtualization, Cloud Computing, Device Integration)
- Information Sharing Strategy, Governance and Implementation
- Modeling (SoaML, SysML, BPMN, etc.)

The abstract submission deadline January 20, 2012. For abstract submission guidelines and the submission form, visit <http://www.omg.org/abstracts>.

Program Committee

- Charles “Chuck” Friedman, Chief Scientific Officer, Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC), HHS
- Mark Frisse, MD, MS, MBA, Accenture Professor of Biomedical Informatics, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Dr. Hon S. Pak, CEO, Diversinet
- Jim St.Clair, Senior Director, Interoperability and Standards, HIMSS
- John Quinn, CTO, Health Level Seven International

Registration & Information

Interconnected Health is hosted by OMG, HL7 International, and HIMSS. The early-bird registration discount is available until February 24, 2012. Registration information is available at <http://www.interconnected-health.org/cfp>. Exhibit space is available; for more information contact Mike Narducci at marketing@omg.org +1-781-444 0404. Sponsorship opportunities are available; contact Ken Berk at ken.berk@omg.org or +1-781-444 0404.

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About HIMSS

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