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HL7 Names Three New Advisory Council Members

Russell Branzell, Andrew Roddam, and Don Sweete to serve on
HL7 Advisory Council

Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA – May 23, 2014 – Health Level Seven® International (HL7®), the global authority for interoperability in healthcare information technology with members in 55 countries, today announced that HL7's Board of Directors has named the following individuals to serve a two-year term on the HL7 Advisory Council: Russell Branzell, FCHIME, CHICIO, president and CEO of the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME); Andrew Roddam, vice president and global head of epidemiology at GlaxoSmithKline (GSK); and Don Sweete, CEO of the International Health Terminology Standards Development Organization (IHTSDO).

"We are pleased to welcome these individuals who bring their strategic leadership from a broad spectrum of stakeholders to the HL7 Advisory Council," said Charles Jaffe, MD, PhD, CEO of HL7. "Their diverse experience and expertise will contribute greatly to HL7's goal of achieving secure health IT interoperability and improving the quality of patient care across the globe."

Russell Branzell, FCHIME, CHCHIO, is the president and CEO of CHIME. He has held several leadership positions prior to joining CHIME. Most recently, he served as the CEO for the Colorado Health Medical Group. Branzell was also the vice president of information services and CIO for Poudre Valley Health System and the president and CEO of Innovation Enterprises (PVHS' for-profit IS entity), as well as the regional deputy CIO and executive director of information services for Sisters of Mercy Health System in St. Louis, Mo. Before his time in St. Louis, Branzell served on active duty

in the United States Air Force. While on active duty, he served in numerous healthcare administration positions, including CIO for the Air Mobility Command Surgeon General's Office. Branzell earned an undergraduate degree in business administration specializing in human resource management and labor relations from the University of Texas. In addition, he earned a Master's degree in Aerospace Science from Embry-Riddle University with an emphasis in management.

Andrew Roddam, PhD, is the vice president and global head of epidemiology at GSK, where he leads a team responsible for providing population-based evidence on diseases and the effects of treatments. He earned his doctorate degree in statistics from the University of Oxford and completed a post-doctorate in infectious disease epidemiology. During his time at Oxford, he was a senior researcher at the Cancer Epidemiology Unit and a co-investigator on two large cohort studies, including leading the linkages of these population studies to routinely collected health data as well as leading an international collaborative project on hormonal risk factors for prostate cancer. Prior to his current role at GSK, he held a number of positions at Amgen, including the international head of the center for observational research and the international head of epidemiology. He is a member of several professional societies and is very active in the area of the use of EHR data for clinical research.

Don Sweete is the chief executive officer at IHTSDO and has been an active member of its Management Board since 2011. Prior to his current role, Sweete served as the executive regional director of the Atlantic region of Canada Health Infoway for over a decade. He has extensive experience in health services and health information technology, and has held executive positions in both the commercial and governmental sector for the past 32 years, including Siemens, Cerner, and Corporate Services Ministry of Health Nova Scotia.

The full updated list of HL7 Advisory Council members is available at:

<http://www.hl7.org/Special/committees/advisory>.

About Health Level Seven International (HL7)

Founded in 1987, [Health Level Seven International](http://www.hl7.org) 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 more than 2,000 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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