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

Baltimore, MD – September 21, 2016 – Health Level Seven® (HL7®) International, the global authority on interoperability of health information technology with members in 55 countries, today announced election results for its Board of Directors at the 30th Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting in Baltimore, MD. The 2016 HL7 Fellows and the 2016 recipients of the W. Edward Hammond, PhD, Volunteer of the Year Awards were also recognized at the event.

Incoming Chairman

Calvin Beebe, technical specialist, Mayo Clinic, was selected by the membership to serve as the chair-elect in 2017 and as the chairman, 2018-2019.

HL7 Board Member Elections

Four members were elected or re-elected to the HL7 Board of Directors for the 2017-2018 term:

- *Secretary* — Hans Buitendijk, MSc, senior expert, R&D, Cerner Corporation
- *Director* — Nancy Orvis, director, business architecture, standards and interoperability, U.S. Department of Defense, Military Health System
- *Director* — Melva Peters, consultant, medication management, Gevity; chair, HL7 Canada
- *Affiliate Director* — Frank Oemig, PhD, senior eHealth architect, Deutsche Telekom Healthcare and Security Solutions GmbH; HL7 Germany

2016 HL7 Fellows

The HL7 Fellow Award was presented to seven individuals during HL7's 30th Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting in Baltimore, MD. 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 2016 recipients of the HL7 Fellowship Award include:

- Fernando Campos
- Hugh Glover
- Rob Hausam, MD
- Charlie McCay
- Lloyd McKenzie
- Ken Rubin
- Amnon Shabo, PhD

HL7 Volunteers of the Year

HL7 honored three members with the 20th annual W. Edward Hammond, PhD 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 2016 recipients include:

- Claude Nanjo, MPH, chief scientist, Cognitive Medical Systems
- Brian Postlethwaite, senior solutions architect, HealthConnex
- Sandy Stuart, executive director, health IT standards, Kaiser Permanente

About the Volunteers:

Claude Nanjo, MPH, has been a member of HL7 since 2012. He has been an instrumental volunteer on several HL7 initiatives, including the Clinical Information Modeling Initiative (CIMI) and the Clinical Quality Framework (CQF) initiative. Claude is skilled at connecting people and building bridges between different HL7 work groups to effectively solve challenges and move projects forward. In addition, he has been instrumental in the work to harmonize various data modeling initiatives related to quality measure and improvement.

Brian Postlethwaite is a member of HL7 Australia and serves as co-chair of the HL7 Patient Administration Work Group. He is also actively involved with HL7 Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR®) and is a member of the FHIR Management Group. Brian has dedicated time and effort in creating FHIR resources for the Patient Administration Work Group.

Sandy Stuart has been actively involved with HL7 since she joined the organization in 2002. She holds several leadership roles in HL7, including serving as a co-chair for the Infrastructure and Messaging Work Group, the Process Improvement Committee and the Terminology Authority. Additionally, she is a member of the HL7 Technical Steering Committee, where she co-chairs the Technical and Support Services Steering Division. Finally, she has volunteered for the five years at HL7's exhibit at the HIMSS annual conference.

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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