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## **Health Level Seven Announces New John Quinn Fellows and W. Edward Hammond Volunteer of the Year Awards**

**Ann Arbor, Mich. – Sept. 21, 2022** – Health Level Seven® (HL7®) International, the global authority on interoperability of health information technology with members in 55 countries, announced the 2022 class of John Quinn HL7 Fellows and the 2022 recipients of the W. Edward Hammond, Ph.D. Volunteer of the Year Awards during its annual business meeting at the 36th Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting in Baltimore.

### **2022 HL7 Fellows**

The John Quinn HL7 Fellowship Award was presented to five individuals during HL7's 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Plenary and Working Group Meeting. 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. This year, the award name was officially changed in memory of HL7 founding member John Quinn, who served as the organization's second board chair, the long-time chair of the Technical Steering Committee and the first chief technology officer. The 2022 recipients of the John Quinn HL7 Fellowship Award include:

- Davera Gabriel, senior research terminologist, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
- Rick Geimer, chief innovation officer, Lantana Consulting Group
- Laura Heermann Langford, Ph.D., R.N., nursing informatics, Graphite Health Inc.; chief operating officer, Logica
- Jay Lyle, health systems standards specialist, JP Systems
- Alexander Mense, head of faculty, computer science, University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien
- Ulrike (Riki) Merrick, M.P.H., lead specialist in informatics terminology, Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL), and public health information specialist, Vernetzt
- Stefan Sabutsch, chair, HL7 Austria; team leader standards and usability, ELGA GmbH
- Philip Scott, Ph.D., board member, HL7 UK; program director, University of Wales Trinity Saint David

- Andrew Truscott, board chair, HL7 International; global health technology lead, Accenture

### **HL7 Volunteers of the Year**

HL7 honored three members with the 25<sup>th</sup> 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 2022 recipients include:

- Giorgio Cangioli, Ph.D., vice chair, HL7 Italy; technical lead, HL7 Europe
- Carol Macumber, executive vice president, Clinical Architecture
- Mary Kay McDaniel, independent health care data standards consultant

### **About the Volunteers:**

**Giorgio Cangioli** has been an active member of HL7 Italy for sixteen years and has worked as a consultant since 1999 for non-profit organizations and governmental agencies. He provides coaching and learning services about modelling, methodologies, and standards applied to the health and social care. Cangioli currently serves as the technical lead for HL7 Europe and as the vice chair of the HL7 Italy affiliate.

As Technical lead for HL7 Europe he has contributed to set up the HL7 Europe Technical Coordination Team (TNT) and developed the Hospitals on FHIR initiative, enabling hospitals to be ready to share data and join the European Health Data Space. He has also participated in the European eHealth Digital Infrastructure and has been a driver of change for digital health interoperability in Europe. In addition, Cangioli has been involved in several European, national, and regional digital health initiatives. He has led the Clinical and Semantic Experts Group in the European Patient Smart Open Services (epSOS) initiative as well as several eHealth EU projects.

Cangioli is a co-author and co-leader of the International Patient Summary (IPS) and a co-leader of the FAIRness for FHIR project at HL7 International. Finally, he has served several additional leadership roles including the following: International Affiliate Representative to the HL7 Technical Steering Committee (2012; 2014-2015, 2019-2021); international stakeholder to the HL7 CDA Management Group; member of the Affiliate Due Diligence Committee (ADDC) and of the Re-envisioning HL7 Affiliates task group.

**Carol Macumber** has participated in HL7 for nearly twenty years and has been a member for the past decade. She is the executive vice president at Clinical Architecture where she is directly responsible for leading and evolving the professional services team. Macumber brings over 20 years of experience spanning across project management, enterprise software development and maintenance, and consulting. Her experience includes deploying terminology authoring tools at Canada Health Infoway,

Canada's National Release Center for SNOMED CT, and Terminology Asset Management and capacity building for the Philippine Department of Health.

She currently serves as a co-chair for both the HL7 Vocabulary Work Group and Terminology Services Management Group. Macumber led efforts via the HL7 Terminology Authority to establish policies and processes to ensure the appropriate use of external code and identifier systems across HL7 products. She also headed the TSC task force to establish the long awaited and needed policy and process for validating and requesting external code and identifier system identifiers. In addition, she has acted as a leader of the Gender Harmony Project over the past three years, successfully gathering a diverse global community of people from within and outside of HL7 to create a model to address sex and gender health equity for the LGBTQA+ population, as well as provide clarity for, and solving the issues related to, sex and gender data related data. The team includes patient advocates, and representatives from EHR vendors, professional societies, payers, health IT consultants, Regenstrief, Australia, multiple US government agencies, researchers, health systems, standards organizations and HL7 work groups.

**Mary Kay McDaniel** has been a member of HL7 for sixteen years. She is currently an independent health care data standards consultant and previously served for 10 years as the principal and senior advisor for health data standards at Cognosante. worked tirelessly to move administrative standards forward toward greater interoperability. McDaniel has provided expertise, knowledge, and skills for several Medicaid Programs projects, including large IT system implementations. She also has extensive experience providing business analysis, benefit configuration, and EDI management and system implementation support for a large Medicaid managed care plan.

McDaniel is a long-time co-chair of the HL7 Financial Management Work Group. She has been integral in bridging X12 and HL7 standards for HL7 FHIR Accelerators such as the Da Vinci Project and CARIN Alliance due to her keen understanding of health financial business and major US federal health programs including Medicare, Medicaid, State Exchanges, and VHA as well as state Medicaid programs. McDaniel has led the mapping of X12 and HL7's Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) as well as modeling entirely new transactions such as the FHIR Price Cost Transparency Implementation Guide for advanced explanation of benefits (EOBs).

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

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