Greetings NI Community members,

HIMSS strives to make sure our members have access to the knowledge, tools and best practices around healthcare technology that will transform health. To help ensure our Community has the most up-to-date knowledge, we will circulate a Weekly HIMSS NI Snapshot news email. These emails will highlight key clinical informatics items from HIMSS as well as our collaborating partners that are pertinent and timely, based on conversations that the Community is engaging in.

**HIMSS Nursing Informatics Survey**

**Participate in the 2015 HIMSS Impact of the Informatics Nurse Study – Survey Closes 1/23/15**

Over the years, HIMSS has surveyed the nursing informatics community to gain an understanding of the role of the informatics nurse professional. This year, the survey focuses on the impact that having informatics professionals have on the quality of care. Initial results will be compared to previous years’ findings and presented during the 2015 HIMSS Annual Conference & Exhibition in Chicago. Results will also be made publicly available at this time. We invite individuals in leadership roles to take a few minutes to complete our online survey. **Please note this survey closes Friday, January 23, 2015.** Please click here to participate in the study.

**Countdown to HIMSS15 Nursing Informatics Symposium!**

**Register for the Nursing Informatics Symposium: Guiding Patients to Health, Anytime and Anywhere**

Taking place on Sunday, April 12, be part of a dynamic platform of nurse leaders who will come together to address the most current issues facing informatics nurses today. Explore updates that are critical to the discussion, including the role of the nurse informaticist in achieving strategic health IT goals; the importance of nursing informatics and patient safety; including patient-generated data in the EHR; evolving nursing leadership roles; the importance of standardized workflow; and other timely topics. View the agenda and register today!

**Session Sneak Peek: Evolution of Nursing Informatics Leadership**

The HIMSS15 Nursing Informatics Symposium offers a wide variety of sessions to appeal to the wide array of nurse informaticists. We encourage you to attend “Evolution of Nursing Informatics Leadership” presented by Christina Dempsey, MSN, MBA, CNOR, CENP, Molly McCarthy, RN, MBA and Stephanie Poe, DNP, RN-BC. In this session you will learn about emerging leadership roles that nurses are embracing in different settings. Explore the influence that nursing informatics brings at an executive level and aspirations for your own career ladder. This presentation will take place on April 12, 2015 from 12:45-145pm CST in Room S406. Click here to learn more about this presentation and others!

**Nursing Informatics News**

**HIMSS Annual Call for Committee Volunteers is Open!**

The HIMSS Annual Call for Committee Volunteers opens today, January 19 and will be accepting applications through March 9, 2015. We strongly encourage you to apply for the Nursing Informatics Committee. By serving as a Nursing Informatics Committee member you will strengthen the voice of nursing informatics and provide leadership and guidance to HIMSS activities, initiatives, and collaborations with the global nursing informatics community. Apply today!
Clinical Empowerment in Health IT
The most recent HIMSS blog features Patty Daly, DNP, RN-BC, Nursing Informatics Committee member, who reflects on key lessons she has learned throughout her career. Daly believes there is a strong need for clinical empowerment in healthcare technology and IT professionals sometimes miss pertinent data and experience clinicians can share. “We need to broaden the scope of who should be included in the decision making process extending outside of the typical “walls” of the organization” says Daly. Read more.

Attend the Clinical Informatics Institute in Orlando, Florida | January 30, 2015
HIMSS is proud to offer the Clinical Informatics Institute at the University of Central Florida College of Medicine in Orlando, Florida. Taking place Friday, January 30, 2015, this educational program addresses the functions, roles, responsibilities and standards of practice for providers, nurses and other clinicians reflecting on current HIMSS informatics resources. Please click here to learn more about this unique opportunity and register today! Should you have any questions, please contact Kerry Amato, Manager, Special Education.

Clinical Informatics Communities presents Medical Device Security in a Connected World
The HIMSS Clinical Informatics Communities are proud to feature “Medical Device Security in a Connected World.” Presented by Kevin McDonald CISSP, BSN, MEPD, this webinar will discuss the common vulnerabilities with medical devices, provide an overview of the issues with poor vendor operations security and discuss the difference between deliberate, unintentional and collateral harm. Please join us on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 11:00am CST.

View most recent ANI Innovator Profile: Tom Clancy, American Academy of Nursing
The Alliance for Nursing Informatics (ANI) continues its ANI Innovator Profile series. Listen to our most recent ANI Innovator Profile interview with Tom Clancy, MBA, PhD, RN, FAAN, who serves as co-chair on the Expert Panel of Nursing Informatics and Technology at the American Academy of Nursing (AAN). Listen to the Innovator recording or view the transcript.

Call for Manuscripts: Online Journal of Nursing Informatics
Online Journal for Nursing Informatics is currently seeking manuscripts that represent a functional area of nursing informatics practice and are of interest to a nursing informatics audience. All manuscripts must represent original, unpublished material. Please note OJNI strongly encourages student submissions as well. Visit the ONI webpage to learn more about the submission process.

Siemens presents “Reducing Medication Reconciliation Failure Rates with Six Sigma and Healthcare Intelligence”
Increasingly healthcare organizations are looking to leverage the power of six sigma processes that address clinical practice with analytics and healthcare intelligence to optimize care delivery. Hear how Charleston Area Medical has captured the power of these tools to focus on the medication reconciliation process providing increased transparency which has led to refocused approaches to the medication reconciliation process and their ability to monitor efficiency and effectiveness. This webinar will take place January 20, 2015 from 1-2pm CST. Register today!
In Case You Missed It!

The Future of Health IT Standards and Interoperability

In her most recent blog, Joyce Sensmeier, MS, RN-BC, CPHIMS, FHIMSS, FAAN, Vice President, Informatics, HIMSS, shares her perspective on recent developments on health IT standards and interoperability and what’s ahead in 2015. As we move forward, Sensmeier emphasizes the importance to remember how our complex healthcare infrastructure impacts patients and the lives of individuals. “To safely and efficiently meet our goal of interoperability, we have an ongoing responsibility to evaluate and carefully manage when and how to evolve emerging standards and technologies into this infrastructure.” Read more.

Thank you!

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