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**HIMSS Western New York Meeting a Huge Success!**

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On June 20th I had the privilege of kicking off our first Western New York meeting in Rochester NY. The event was held at the beautiful campus of Roberts Wesleyan College. John Schneckner, Assistant Professor and Program Director Health Information Administration for the college was key in getting all of the logistics set up for us.

Our meeting attracted over 50 attendees with representation from nursing, physicians, clinical departments, RHIO's, consultants and vendors. All of the speaker sessions and the round table discussions were well received by the attendees. The highlight of the event, as put by one attendee, "Was the keynote presentation by Ken Ong, MD".

I am already looking forward to next year's event!

I wish to express my thanks to our program sponsors, please be sure to visit their websites to learn more about their companies and services!

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## Get HL7 Certified This Summer!



Columbia will be hosting an HL7 Certification event with the HIT Certificate Graduates in mind, but open to all. The cost is minimal in comparison to the traditional costs for this training and certification. Everyone who passes the test will be an HL7 certified specialist. There will be three tests offered but the training will target CDA. CDA is the foundational standard for Meaningful Use transitions of care and patient engagement initiatives as well as for future quality measure reporting and other document exchanges. The HL7 trainer/proctor is our own Virginia Lorenzi who is volunteering her time for this HL7 event to help keep the costs low.

**When:** July 28th and 29th

- CDA Certification Prep Class July 28th 10AM-1:30PM
- HL7 Certification Testing (CDA, V2, or RIM) July 29th 10AM-12PM

**Where:** Columbia University Hammer Health Sciences Building Room 312

**Who:** The event is open and first come first serve (space limited). If we do not get enough people we will cancel.

**Registration Site:** [http://www.regonline.com/hl7certificationatcolumbia\\_1116415](http://www.regonline.com/hl7certificationatcolumbia_1116415) Registration closes July 23rd.

**HL7 Specifications:** HL7 Specifications are free to members and must be purchased by non-members (CDA specification is \$50 for non-members). If your organization is a member, contact the named HL7 representative on the membership to get a copy of the specification. Otherwise members and non-members can access the specifications at - <http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/>, direct link to CDA at [http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/product\\_brief.cfm?product\\_id=7](http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/product_brief.cfm?product_id=7)

**Test Information:** For a study guide, practice test, and other test information, refer to the HL7 training page - <http://www.hl7.org/implement/training.cfm>.

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**Save the Date: 11/09/2012 Student Nursing Informatics Event at New York Hospital Queens (NYHQ)**

The New York State Chapter of HIMSS is sponsoring its first New York State Student Nursing Informatics Conference on November 09, 2012, at the New York Hospital Queens. Co-sponsors include the New York University, Molloy College, and New York Hospital Queens.

**Date:** November 9, 2012

**Time:** 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**Place:** New York Hospital Queens (NYHQ), Lang Auditorium, 56-45 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11355

**Confirmed speakers are:**

- Maricar Barrameda NP, MSN; Generations+ / Northern Manhattan Health Network
- Salvatore Volpe, MD, FAAP, FACP, CHCQM; HIMSS NYS, Advocacy
- Freida Pemberton, PHD, EDD, RN, BC; Molloy College, Division of Nursing
- Nadia Sultana, MBA, RN, BC; New York University, College of Nursing
- Helen Figge, PharmD, MBA, Lean Six Sigma Black Belt; HIMSS, Professional Development

The event will be focused on Career Development and Patient-Centered Nursing Informatics.

A student poster presentation competition will be sponsored and the best presentation will be awarded. To submit a presentation, contact Susanna Schmer, RN, (sschmer@kingsbrook.org).

We invite NYS Nursing programs and vendors who would be interested in co-sponsoring the first student nursing informatics conference in New York on November 9, 2012. For more information on becoming a sponsor, contact Anthony Ferrante (Anthony.Ferrante@CDILLC.com).

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## **New South Wales Health, An Australian HIE Presentation**



While we continue to progress, albeit slowly, toward a complete healthcare information exchange in the U.S., one global region has taken a significant step toward widespread patient data interoperability. The state of New South Wales, Australia, comprises 32% of the country's population and features over 200 hospitals and clinics. By implementing a regional HIE, New South Wales has become a functional model from which the U.S. could gain tremendous insight.

We are delighted to have Joe Hughes of New South Wales Health describe to us their new HIE model. This system has enabled the successful sharing of medical images and reports across nine Local Health District boundaries. Joe is the Program Manager at Health Support Services and responsible for the delivery of the New South Wales Health Medical Imaging program. He will be available to answer your questions throughout the event.

We believe this will be a great evening of global learning and conversation, especially in light of the recent ruling to uphold the Affordable Care Act and the corresponding HIE implications.

Due to the exclusivity of this event, please reserve your spot by July 11th. Cocktails and dinner will be served.

This event is made possible by TeraMedica and NetApp and is made available at no cost to you.

We look forward to seeing you in New York on July 25th!

**Where:** Lighthouse Executive Conference Center, 111 E. 59th Street, New York, NY 10022

**When:** Wednesday July 25, 2012 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM EDT

**Questions?** Contact: Beth Roncke 414.908.7744 or broncke@teramedica.com

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2. Create a user name and password. Your username will be the email address you entered in step 1.
3. Select membership type: student membership. You may also join one local chapter free with your student membership. Select the one that is right for you.
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  - b. You may join mHIMSS, a group focused on mobile technology in health care, if you wish.
  - c. Select the communities of profession that are applicable to you, in this case Emerging Professionals Community.
  - d. Proceed to the next step.
4. Enter demographic information. Student is found under the heading "others allied to the field". Do your best with the required fields, and proceed to the next step.
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