2020 IMPACTful Nonprofit Award Presented to Health Current

PHOENIX, Ariz. – Dec. 3, 2020 – Health Current, Arizona's health information exchange (HIE), is pleased to announce that it is the recipient of the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce 2020 IMPACTful Nonprofit Award.

Melissa Kotrys, Health Current CEO, accepted the award on behalf of the organization during the Greater Phoenix Chamber’s IMPACT Awards ceremony held on December 3 in a socially-distanced setting at the Musical Instrument Museum in Scottsdale. Read more

Become an Early Adopter of the New HIE 3.0 Platform Today

Last month we shared an important update about our new platform – HIE 3.0, the third major platform technology change in our organization's history.

In response to the announcement, hundreds of leading organizations in Arizona’s healthcare community started their migration – including approximately 130 migrating Patient Alerts, and roughly 40 migrating Document Query to the new HIE 3.0 platform. Congratulations to those early adopters.

If your organization has not made the switch, we encourage you to start the process today.

The new HIE 3.0 platform is already making a difference in Arizona. It not only delivers Health Current’s valuable COVID-19 Alerts, it delivers greater HIE efficiency and uptime for Arizona’s healthcare community.
Migrating the above services to HIE 3.0 is a simple process – and it begins with you contacting HIESupport@healthcurrent.org or your designated Health Current account manager.

**Summit Archive Spotlight: Arizona’s SDOH Closed-Loop Referral System**

The video archive is now available for ACHIEVE 2020 the 13th Annual Virtual Health Current Summit & Trade Show held last month. All sessions are posted on the Health Current YouTube channel.

In this month's Update, we spotlight the engaging presentation featuring Jami Snyder, Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), and Mike Mote, Chief Strategy Officer, Health Current.

In the presentation, Director Snyder said, “One of the efforts we feel is foundational to our work around whole person care is the establishment of a closed-loop referral system through Health Current. The HIE has been a tremendous partner as we look to implement a closed-loop referral system in Arizona.” [Click here to watch the video.](#)

Also, congrats to the three vendors selected as finalists for the new SDOH platform. They are: (listed in alpha order)

- Aunt Bertha
- Healthify
- NowPow

The preferred vendor will be selected in early January 2021. Stay tuned for more updates in early 2021.

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**Information Blocking – Resources for Healthcare Providers**
The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) published the Information Blocking Final Rule on May 1, 2020. The Information Blocking Rule (45 C.F.R. Part 171) went into effect on June 30, 2020. The compliance deadline, originally scheduled for November 2, 2020, has been extended to April 5, 2021.

The Information Blocking Rule implements a requirement of the 21st Century Cures Act, which prohibits healthcare providers, health information technology (IT) developers, health information networks (HINs) and health information exchanges (HIEs) from impermissibly interfering with the access, exchange or use of electronic health information (EHI).

Health Current, Arizona’s HIE is providing the following documents to assist organizations to comply with the new rule. Learn More

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Health Current COVID-19 Alerts Continue to Support the Arizona Healthcare Community

In our effort to support the Arizona healthcare community response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Health Current, Arizona’s Health Information Exchange (HIE), now offers COVID-19 Alerts, real-time and batch alerts on all COVID-19 lab results received by the HIE.

The community response has been positive, and interest strong with over 200 Participants currently receiving COVID-19 Alerts and support. Here’s just one example of how Participants are using the alerts to be better prepared during the pandemic:

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HIE Testimonial | COVID-19 Alerts

“We have developed a new workflow related to COVID-19 Alerts that is supportive of our staff and clients. The new process makes sure we are aware when a client has been tested for COVID-19 so that we can take action to keep everyone safe. It has brought our staff some peace of mind and confidence during this time. THANK YOU! We appreciate the collaboration with Health Current.”

- Megan Lipman, JFCS, VP of Compliance & Quality Management

Click here to learn how to get started with COVID-19 Alerts.
Health Current Offices will be Closed on the following dates:

- December 24, 2020 – Christmas Eve
- December 25, 2020 – Christmas Day
- December 31, 2020 – New Year’s Eve
- January 1, 2021 – New Year’s Day

If you are an HIE Participant and need assistance, email HIESupport@healthcurrent.org.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday season.

Stay Covered, Stay Healthy, #MaskUpAZ

Click this link for outreach materials you can share to remind everyone to #MaskUpAZ.

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