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Update

June 2020

Health Current Board of Directors Welcomes Six New Members

Health Current, Arizona's Health Information Exchange (HIE), is pleased to announce the appointment of six new members to its Board of Directors. Joining the Health Current Board are (in alphabetical order):

- Roy Jedeikin, MD, Medical Director, Phoenix Children's Care Network (PCCN)
- Heidi Kemmer, COO, UHC Community Plan, UnitedHealthcare
- April Rhodes, CEO, Spectrum Healthcare
- Jesus Rivera, Battalion Chief, Medical Services Division, Surprise Fire-Medical Department
- Ginny Rountree, Deputy Director, Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES)
- Martha Smith, CEO, Arizona Complete Health

ROY JEDEIKIN, MD   HEIDI KEMMER   APRIL RHODES   JESUS RIVERA   GINNY ROUNTREE   MARTHA SMITH

"Our Board of Directors is comprised of Arizona's leading healthcare executives and community leaders, with representation from hospitals, laboratories, health plans, employers and other key healthcare stakeholders," said Melissa Kotrys, Health Current CEO. "Through their expertise and guidance, we've been fortunate to become Arizona's trusted partner in sharing comprehensive patient health data to help providers make better clinical decisions and keep people healthy."

Click here to learn more about our new Board Members.

Health Current Now Receiving LabCorp Test Results

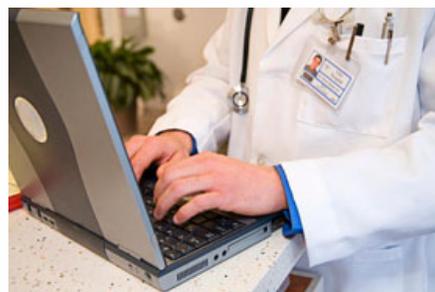Health Current is pleased to announce a new

agreement with LabCorp to direct their test results, including COVID-19 results, to the Arizona HIE. This new collaboration brings a vastly expanded number of LabCorp test results into Health Current, including COVID-19 results for positive and negative tests. We anticipate that new data from LabCorp will help create a more complete picture of COVID-19 testing throughout the state and help keep Arizona's healthcare workforce safe.

For current HIE Participants, the new service requires healthcare providers to give prior authorization for their lab data to flow to the HIE. There are no costs to establish the data feed from LabCorp to the HIE, however providers must complete a LabCorp Provider Authorization Form to allow LabCorp test results to flow on their behalf. This form is available to download at **healthcurrent.org/COVID19**.

Learn more about the Health Current-LabCorp agreement. If you are not a Health Current Participant and would like to learn more, please contact our Recruitment Department at **recruitment@healthcurrent.org** or complete an **HIE Interest Form here.**

Health Current Providing Critical Real-Time Data for Arizona Surge Line's Bed Capacity Tracking

Health Current is committed to working throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to support the Arizona healthcare community in their collective response. Leveraging existing admission, discharge and transfer (ADT) data from the majority of hospitals and health systems in Arizona, Health Current is pleased to collaborate with Arizona's hospitals in supplying critical real-time bed capacity data to the Arizona Surge Line.

Learn more about Health Current's role in providing real-time bed capacity data to the Arizona Surge Line.

HIE Testimonial | COVID-19 Alerts

ARIZONA'S HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE

"Of the **COVID-19 Alerts** we receive from Health Current, we've found that **roughly 6 percent of them are positives**. Working with the HIE, we configured the results in a way to **trigger alerting and infectious status with our EHR**. This allows our healthcare providers to be better prepared with the necessary PPE, in turn **minimizing exposure and potential infection of our staff**."

- **Craig Norquist, MD**, HonorHealth, Chief Medical Information Officer

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AHCCCS DAP Program CYE 2021 Final Public Notice Now Available

On behalf of Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), Health Current is pleased to announce that the Differential Adjusted Payment (DAP) program

Final Public Notice is now available. General trends and program changes reflected in the DAP Final Public Notice include:

- AHCCCS' goal was to lighten the load where possible on milestone dates for DAP participating agencies
  - Many milestone due dates are extended by 30 days or more
  - Flexibility is provided for integrated clinics in the process of implementing a new Electronic Medical Record (EMR)/Electronic Health Record (EHR)

- Certain COVID-19 clinical lab result data milestones were added for all provider types (except IHS/638 providers) if the provider conducts COVID-19 testing, antibody testing or performs immunizations

- All providers (including IHS/638) that utilize external reference labs for any lab result processing must submit necessary provider authorization forms to the qualifying HIE, if required by the external reference lab, to have all outsourced lab test results flow to the qualifying HIE on their behalf.

Click here to review the DAP Final Public Notice in greater detail. To learn more about the DAP program, visit **healthcurrent.org/DAP**.

Attention DAP Participants - LabCorp Authorization Forms Due July 1

Per the AHCCCS DAP CYE 2021 Final Notice, qualified DAP participants who use LabCorp as their external reference lab are required to complete and submit a LabCorp Provider Authorization Form by July 1, 2020. **Click here to access the form.**

Final Federal Rules Prohibit Information Blocking and Encourage Interoperability

The Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC) and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently published final rules around the sharing of information among healthcare stakeholders. A few highlights of the extensive rules are noted here:

ONC Information Blocking Final Rule

- Prohibits "actors," including health information exchanges and networks (HIEs/HINs), health IT developers, and health care providers from engaging in a practice that, except as required by law or covered by an exception (listed below), is likely to interfere with access, exchange, or use of electronic health information.

- Exceptions to the prohibition against information blocking include: (1) preventing harm, (2) privacy, (3) security, (4) infeasibility, (5) health IT performance, (6) content and manner, (7) fees, (8) licensing.

CMS Patient Access & Interoperability Final Rule

- For health plans, requires patient access and provider directory application programming interface (API) meeting ONC standards by Jan. 1, 2021, and payer-to-payer exchanges by January 1, 2022.

- Conditions of participation (COPs) for hospitals with electronic health record (EHR) systems that conform with the content exchange standard include sending admission-discharge-transfer (ADT) alerts by May 2, 2021.

In the coming months, prior to the first compliance date of the rules (ONC's Information Blocking Rule goes into effect November 1, 2020), Health Current will continue to provide summary updates and webinars to assist the healthcare community in complying with the rules. Stay tuned for more information.

Health Current Named Winner of the 2020 Nonprofit IMPACTful Award!

Thanks to you and your vote, Health Current has been named THE WINNER of the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce 2020 IMPACTful Nonprofit Award. The award honors nonprofits that exhibit success in the following areas:

Community Impact: An organization that is measurably improving the community through volunteer efforts, community focused initiatives, education projects or other methods. This organization's mission adds great value to the Greater Phoenix community.

Innovation: An innovative organization that exemplifies the spirit of entrepreneurialism within the nonprofit sector. An organization that has identified opportunities or unmet needs and, as a result, has initiated changes or developed innovative solutions.

Adversity: An organization that faced significant challenges and was able to rebound in order to build a stronger, more sustainable organization.

Health Current was one of four finalists chosen from a list of 12 nominees. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the award ceremony is postponed until a future date.

Upcoming Events

Learn about events hosted by Health Current and other community healthcare professional organizations. To register for an event below, click "Register Here" to be taken to the registration page. To see other future events, visit: **healthcurrent.org/events**.

July 16, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Health Current - A Deeper Dive into HB 2075 EPCS Mandates Webinar: Board Certified Physician Assistant Limits and Requirements

Register Here

July 23, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Register Here

Health Current & AHCCCS - PI Program Webinar: PY 2020 Objective 1: Protect Patient Health Information (Security Risk Analysis)

August 13, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Health Current & AHCCCS - PI Program Webinar: PY 2020 Stage 3 Requirements

August 20, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Health Current - A Deeper Dive into HB 2075 EPCS Mandates Webinar: Controlled Substance Prescription Monitoring Program (CSPMP) Requirements and Benefits

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Nominations Now Open for 2020 Health IT Innovation & Health IT Leader Awards

Nominate a Health IT Leader or Health IT Innovator for the 2020 Health IT Awards. These prestigious awards recognize a Health IT leader who demonstrates leadership in the use of health information technology as well as an organization that develops or demonstrates innovative uses of health information technology, both to achieve the Triple Aim of better care, better outcomes and lower costs.

The Health IT Innovation and Health IT Leader of the Year Awards will be presented at the 2020 Health Current Summit & Trade Show on October 14, 2020. To learn more and nominate someone today, **click here**.

2019 Health IT Award Recipients
- Leadership Award - Heather Carter, State Senator, Arizona Senate District 15
- Innovation Award - Pendleton Pediatrics

Click **here** to see prior year Health IT Award Recipients.

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS!

Take the 2020 Health Current Summit & Trade Show Participant & Presenter Survey

Health Current is in the planning stages for our annual Summit & Trade Show, scheduled to take place **October 13 & 14, 2020**.

At this time, the event is tentatively scheduled to be a **hybrid experience of both in-person attendance, and virtual attendance** for those based on their comfort level based on the changing factors surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

With that, **we would like your feedback** on several items, including your preferred participation format (live or virtual), possible presentation topics, and your interest level in presenting at the event. Deadline to complete the survey is **Friday, July 10, 2020.**

Click here to take the survey.

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