



## CONFERENCE AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Sessions Subject to Change  
All times Eastern

### Monday, November 6, 2023

#### **WEDI Workgroup Meeting**

Open to members AND non-members. WEDI workgroups provide thoughtful leadership and common-sense approaches that enhance the exchange of clinical and administrative healthcare information. Join the meetings as we collect input, exchange ideas, and make recommendations that inspire impactful and far-reaching change in our industry.

#### **Rooms YT14 and YT15, Terrace Level**

##### **YT14**

**9:00am – 10:00am**, Eligibility & Benefits

**10:00am – 11:00am**, Provider Information

**11:00am – 12:00pm**, Genomics

##### **YT15**

**9:00am – 10:00am**, Payment Models

**10:00am – 11:00am**, Claims

**11:00am – 12:00pm**, Remittance Advice and Payment

12:00pm – 1:30pm, YT17, **CMS Office of Burden**

#### **Reduction and Health Informatics Presentation and Listening Session**

**Stella Mandl**, Acting Director, Office of Burden Reduction & Health Informatics, CMS

**Kathleen McGinty**, Acting Deputy Director, Investigations and Fraud Prevention Partnerships Group, Center for Program Integrity, CMS

**Paul Anderson**, Health Insurance Specialist, CMS

**Beth Karpiak**, Policy Advisor, CMS

1:30pm – 3:00pm, YT17, **275 Adoption: Success Stories and ROI Discussion**

**Sherry Wilson**, Executive VP, Chief Compliance Officer, Jopari

**Mary Lynn Bushman**, Senior Business Analyst, NGS, an Elevance Health Company

## Tuesday, November 7, 2023

7:45am, Founder's Lobby

*Breakfast, Sponsored by*



8:30am – 8:45am, Grossman Hall

**WEDI Coffee Kickoff, No Surprises Act Task Group**

8:45am – 9:30am, Grossman Hall

*Developing Strategies for AI Governance, the VA and Beyond*

**Gil Alterovitz, PhD**, VA Chief AI Officer, Director, National Artificial Intelligence Institute, US Department of Veterans Affairs.

9:45am – 10:30am, Grossman Hall

*Artificial Intelligence: The Next Revolution in Information Technology*

**John Glaser, PhD**, Executive in Residence, Harvard Medical School

10:30am – 11:00am, Founders Lobby

**Morning Networking Break**

11:00am – 12:30pm, Grossman Hall

*Healthcare Standard Development Organization (SDO) Updates*

**Charles Jaffe, MD, PhD**, Chief Executive Officer, HL7

**Cathy Sheppard**, Chief Executive Officer, X12

**Robert Bowman**, Principal, Interoperability and Standards, CAQH

**John Hill**, Chief Operating Officer and **Margaret Weiker**, Vice President, Standards Development, NCPDP

12:30pm – 1:15pm, Grossman Hall, Founders Lobby

**Conference Luncheon**

## 1:15pm – 2:00pm Breakouts

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### Grossman Hall

*The Growing Need to Alleviate Burden and Achieve Compliance: A Massachusetts Effort to Automate Prior Authorization*

**David Delano**, Senior Director of Services, Massachusetts Health Data Consortium  
**Wendy Warring, JD**, President and CEO, Network for Excellence in Health Innovation  
**Lauren Bedel**, Senior Health Policy and Program Associate, Network for Excellence in Health Innovation

### NT01, Ceremonial Classroom

*ICD-11 Presentation and Conversation: Updates, Important Changes, and Future Decisions*

**Jamie Ferguson**, Co-Chair, ICD-11 Policy Workgroups, National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS). Vice President, Health IT Strategy & Policy, Kaiser Permanente

## 2:15pm – 3:00pm Breakouts

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### Grossman Hall

*Maximizing Value Through AI: Excelling in Episodes of Care.* presented by **edifecs**  
**Summer Kahlon, MD**, Chief Medical Officer, Edifecs

### NT01, Ceremonial Classroom

*Amplifying Health Equity: Unleashing the Power of AI and Data for Patient-Centric Transformation*

**Nawar Shara, PhD**, Chief Research Data Scientist, Director, Center of Biostatistics, Informatics and Data Science (CBIDS), MedStar Health Research Institute

3:00pm – 3:30pm, Founder's Lobby  
Afternoon Networking Break

3:30pm – 4:30pm, Grossman Hall  
*TBA Presentation and Listening Session from HHS Office of Civil Rights*  
**Melanie Fontes Rainer**, Director, Office of Civil Rights, US Department of Health & Human Services

5:00pm – 6:30pm, Grossman Hall, Founders Lobby  
*WEDI Welcome Reception*

## Wednesday, November 8, 2023

7:45am, Founders Lobby  
*Conference Breakfast*

8:30am – 8:45am, Grossman Hall  
**WEDI Coffee Kickoff, Claims Sub workgroup**

8:45am – 9:30am, Grossman Hall  
*Updates from the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology*  
**Micky Tripathi, PhD**, National Coordinator for Health Information Technology

9:45am – 10:30am, Grossman Hall  
*CARIN Alliance and Department of HHS Digital Identity Proof of Concept*  
**Ryan Howells**, CARIN Alliance, Principal, Levitt Partners  
**Kyle Neuman**, Director of Trust Framework Development, DirectTrust  
**Adam McBride**, IT Program Manager, Department of Health & Human Services

10:30am – 11:00am, Founder's Lobby  
*Morning Networking Break*

11:00am – 11:45am Breakouts

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### **Grossman Hall**

*"Model" Behavior: Updates from the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI).* **Arrah Tabe-Bedward**, Deputy Director, Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation, CMS

### **NT01, Ceremonial Classroom**

*Transforming the Process: HCSC's AI-Enabled Prior Authorization Tool Speeding Up Healthcare*  
**Sid Raina, PhD**, Health Care Management Technology Delivery Leader, Health Care Services Corporation  
**Derrick Higgins**, Head of Enterprise Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, Health Care Services Corporation

12:00pm – 12:45pm, Grossman Hall  
*Updates from NCVHS Subcommittee on Standards*  
**Tammy Feenstra Banks**, NCVHS Co-Chair, Subcommittee on Standards, Principal/Consultant, ImpactQue, LLC  
**Rich Landen**, BCVHS Co-Chair, Subcommittee on Standards

12:45pm – 1:30pm, Grossman Hall, Founder’s Lobby  
*Conference Luncheon and Networking*

1:30pm – 2:15pm Breakouts

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**Grossman Hall**



*AI & Evidence-Based Guidelines:  
Streamlining Prior Auth for Medical  
Necessity Presented by MCG, part of the  
Hearst Health Network*

**Rajesh “Raj” Godavarthi**, Associate Vice  
President, Technology & Interoperability,  
MCG Health

**Danny Cawood**, Manager, Product  
Management, MCG Health

**NT01, Ceremonial Classroom**

*Finding Balance Between the Intersection of  
Data Interoperability, Privacy, Cybersecurity,  
and Improved Health Care; Updates from the  
Health Sector Coordinating Council’s  
Cybersecurity Working Group*

**Greg Garcia**, Executive Director, Cyber Security  
Health Sector Coordinating Council (HSCC)

2:30pm – 3:15pm Breakouts

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**Grossman Hall**

*Building your Organization’s AI Strategy;  
Look Before You Leap*

**Kevin Larsen, MD**, Senior Vice President,  
Clinical Innovation, Optum

**Derrick Higgins**, Head of Enterprise Data  
Science and Artificial Intelligence, HCSC

**Jared Staal**, Senior Director, Advanced  
Analytics and AI, Mayo Clinic

**NT01, Ceremonial Classroom**

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3:15pm – 3:45pm, Founder’s Hall

*Afternoon Networking Break*

## 3:45pm Breakout Sessions

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3:45pm – 4:45pm, **Grossman Hall**

Surveying the Health Equity Landscape:  
Current and Future Data-Centric Efforts  
and Initiatives to Address Health  
Disparities

**Meagan Khau**, Director, Data and Policy  
Analytics Group, Office of Minority  
Health, CMS

**Rachel Harrington, PhD**, Senior Research  
Scientist, NCQA

**Vanessa Candelora**, Project Manager, HL7  
Gravity Project

*Additional panelists TBA*

3:45pm – 4:30pm, **NT01 Ceremonial  
Classroom**

Educational Session presented by IBM

## Thursday, November 9, 2023

8:00am, Founder's Lobby

*Conference Breakfast and Networking*

8:45am – 9:15am, Grossman Hall

*Seeking Trust and Transparency in AI Tools: The Blueprint for Trustworthy AI*

**Brian Anderson, MD**, Chief Digital Health Physician, MITRE, Co-Founder, Coalition for Health AI (CHAI)

9:30am – 10:15am, Grossman Hall

*TBA General Session*

**Peter Clardy, MD**, Senior Clinical Specialist, Google

10:15am – 10:45am, Founder's Lobby

*Morning Networking Break*

10:45am – 11:30am, Grossman Hall

*Sequoia Project: Progress Towards Nationwide Interoperability*

**Mariann Yeager**, Chief Executive Officer, The Sequoia Project

11:45am – 12:30pm, Grossman Hall

*Applying AI and Data Science to Accelerate Learning and Improve Outcomes*

**Vindell Washington, MD**, Chief Clinical Officer, Verily Health Platforms

12:30pm – 1:15pm, Grossman Hall, Founder's Hall

*Conference Luncheon*

## 1:15pm Breakouts

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### 1:15pm – 1:45pm, Grossman Hall

*From Thin Air to Precision Data: The Power of Generative AI in Electronic Data Interchange and Medical Records.*

Presented by **edifecs**

**Niraj Katwala**, Vice President, Core Technology, Edifecs

### 1:15pm – 2:00pm, YT116

*CISO Panel: Maintaining Security and Privacy as Patient Data and Technology Evolves*

**Paul Curylo**, Vice President and Chief Information Security Officer, Inova Health Systems

**Bezawit Sumner**, Director of Security & Compliance, CRISP

**Beth Creed**, Supervisory Special Agent, Major Cyber Criminal Squad, Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Greg Garcia**, Executive Director, Cyber Security (moderator)

### 2:00pm – 2:45pm, Grossman Hall

*Promises, Challenges, Updates, and the Future (of Data Exchange): Update on the Gravity Project's Affinity Pilot Project*

**Kathy Miller**, Chief Operating Officer, Bronx Regional Health Information

**Vanessa Candelora**, Program Manager, Gravity Project. Senior Consultant, Point of Care Partners

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