

Dear Colleagues and Stakeholders,

It is a great pleasure to invite you to the **BC Health Organization Information Governance (IG) Summit 2017**, organized by the Lower Mainland Health Information Management, in partnership with Ministry of Health and BC Health Organizations, which will take place in Vancouver, BC on Monday, **September 25th, 2017** (All day).

There is a growing consensus amongst BC Health Care leadership that our Health System lacks a comprehensive Information Governance program; one with a common framework and a structure that incorporates and clarifies roles for various stakeholder groups (MOH, Health Authorities, Clinical/Business/IT, Care levels, Vendors, etc). This current state can create barriers to fully leveraging our health system data assets, adds complexity to implementing IMIT projects and impacts the work of a number of Ministry of Health Standing committees as well as various initiatives.

Towards a longer term goal of maturing Information Governance in BC's Health System, we have created an opportunity for a day of learning, level setting, discussion and direction setting for invited leaders. The day will provide participants with a better understanding of the value of an IG strategy, an examination of approaches taken by Alberta Health Services, the emerging American IG standards and a review of strengths and gaps in BC. We will work together towards a consensus on an approach and creation of a coherent IG framework that could maximize the benefits derived from our fast-growing information assets, makes the most out of our EHR and EMR solutions and enables research and IT initiatives.

With participating experts and guest speakers from many different facets of Information Governance, the presentations will cover a range of IG topics, such as IG Framework Development Scope and Approach, AHIMA IG Framework, Principles & Adoption Model for Healthcare, Alberta Health Services Enterprise Information Governance and a Broader IG perspectives on cybersecurity and privacy, to name a few. We will also hear BC MoH Standing Committees updates on the progress to date on Interoperability, Standards, Privacy and Security, Streamlining Data Access projects and initiatives. **The draft agenda is attached for your review.** The final agenda and any additional material will be provided at a later date.

The IG Summit is a by-invitation-only event for senior leaders in information management, law, privacy, data analytics, records management, research, compliance, IT, cybersecurity and other IG-related disciplines, from all of BC's health organizations and Ministry of Health. We have confirmed guests from BC Ministry of Health (MoH) and regional BC Health Authority members of BC MoH IMITSC and SCPMAE Standing Committees, CIHI and a few industry experts in this field. There will be no registration costs for participants. Due to limited seating, we can only accommodate 184 guests. **Seating is Limited and available on a first come first serve basis.** Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

*A very special thanks to our current Sponsors: **Agfa HealthCare, Cerner, Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), Colibra, Deloitte, Gevity, Iron Mountain, Symantec Corporation and TELUS Health.***

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Kind Regards,

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