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## **Provider-led Groups Announce Collaboration to Improve Data Flow to Clinical Applications**

*Healthcare Services Platform Consortium and the Center for Medical Interoperability aim to advance development of innovative clinical applications and services to improve patient care*

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. and NASHVILLE, Tenn. (February 29, 2016) – The Healthcare Services Platform Consortium (HSPC) and the Center for Medical Interoperability are collaborating on technical initiatives to enable clinical applications to easily and securely access health information. The two provider-led, nonprofit organizations will leverage complementary strengths to develop compatible architectures and platforms to facilitate the flow of data from the patient to clinical applications and services that can enhance care.

Stan Huff, MD, chief medical information officer of Intermountain Healthcare and chairman of the HSPC Board, said, “HSPC and the Center are aligned in their goal to help people live the healthiest lives possible. Combining resources to create a consistent technical platform solution will benefit the entire industry and accelerate the availability of interoperable clinical applications and services.”

“There is a natural handoff between our work at the medical device and enterprise service levels, and HSPC’s platform for interoperable clinical applications. We look forward to working with HSPC to ensure we both get it right,” said Ed Cantwell, executive director of the Center for Medical Interoperability.

The Center serves as a cooperative R&D arm for health systems, guiding innovation and providing a vendor-neutral focal point to work with solution providers. It is enabling health systems with a platform that makes it easier and less expensive to share clinically rich data across medical devices and IT systems. HSPC is focused on developing a Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) platform for healthcare utilizing current cross-industry standards, healthcare-centric knowledge coupled terminology models based on the Clinical Element and HL7/CIMI models. Together, HSPC and the Center will leverage the unified voice of healthcare organizations to drive industry alignment and accelerate innovation and time to market.

“From the beginning, HSPC recognized the importance of provider leadership. The membership of HSPC, combined with that of the Center, represents a strong market force to achieve cross healthcare interoperability. Working closely with the Center, we will focus on addressing

clinical and business needs that positively impact patient outcomes and the experience for all care providers,” said Oscar Diaz, chief executive officer of HSPC.

The HSPC will be demonstrating open SOA architecture applications during HIMSS’16 in the Interoperability Showcase (Booth #11954) and at the Intermountain Healthcare exhibit (Booth #1632). For a schedule of HSPC events at HIMSS’16, see [www.HSPConsortium/HIMSS2016](http://www.HSPConsortium/HIMSS2016).

### **About the Center for Medical Interoperability**

The Center for Medical Interoperability is a 501(c)(3) organization led by health systems to change how medical technologies work together. We aim to improve real-time information flow and make technology function seamlessly in the background so we can achieve the best possible outcomes for patients. Our members are committed to compelling change and improving patient safety, care quality and outcomes, and reducing clinician burden and waste. Learn more at [www.center4mi.org](http://www.center4mi.org).

### **About the Healthcare Services Platform Consortium**

HSPC is a provider led, not-for-profit, multi-stakeholder, membership organization that is fostering an industry-wide collaborative for the development of an open Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) and an ecosystem of interoperable applications, knowledge, content and services. As part of the development of the healthcare SOA, HSPC is creating a federated model for multi-vendor RESTful web services, leveraging HL7™, FHIR™ resources and HSPC specified profiles.

Similar to iOS and Android, HSPC supports a marketplace model for plug-and-play healthcare applications leveraging the work at Intermountain Healthcare, LSU Health, the VA Vista Evolution initiative and others. The HSPC marketplace will support common services and models that providers and vendors can use to shorten development and implementation life cycles.

The Healthcare SOA will enable multiple collaborators to deliver different parts of a solution set that address workflow gaps within and between systems. This platform supports high-fidelity workflow models that support acute, ambulatory and patient-centered medical home needs. More information can be found at [www.HSPConsortium.org](http://www.HSPConsortium.org).

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