

Electronic Health Record Association Announces FY23 Leadership and Priorities

CHICAGO – **January 3, 2023** – The <u>Electronic Health Record (EHR) Association</u> announced the results of its annual Executive Committee elections for terms beginning Jan. 1, 2023. The EHR Association is a trade association of 30 companies that serve most of the nation's hospitals and ambulatory care organizations using electronic health records (EHRs) and other health information and technology to deliver high-quality, efficient care to their patients.

David Bucciferro, Senior Advisor at Foothold Technology-Radicle Health, was elected Chair of the Executive Committee, which establishes the Association's guiding principles and develops and implements strategic plans. William Hayes, MD, Chief Medical Officer at CPSI, was elected Vice Chair.

Newly appointed members of the Executive Committee include Leigh Burchell, Vice President of Government Affairs and Public Policy at Altera Digital Health, who previously served from 2011-2017, and Kayla Thomas, Senior Regulatory Strategist with Oracle Cerner. Continuing members are:

- Pamela Chapman, Director of Solutions Management at Experity
- Barbara Hobbs, Senior Government Affairs Manager at MEDITECH
- Cherie Holmes-Henry, Vice President, Government and Industry Affairs at Nextgen Healthcare
- Stephanie Jamison, Director of Regulatory Affairs at Greenway Health

Serving as *ex-officio* members of the Executive Committee are Past Chairs Hans Buitendijk, Director of Interoperability Strategy with Oracle Cerner, and Sasha TerMaat, Director at Epic.

The EHR Association is committed to working toward a healthcare ecosystem that leverages the capabilities of EHR and other health IT to efficiently deliver higher-quality care to patients in a productive and sustainable way. This commitment can be seen through the work underway within its issue-specific workgroups and task forces, which evolve in tandem with the critical issues impacting healthcare. This is reflected in the recent establishment of the Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Workgroup, and the elevation of Information Blocking and Public Health from time-limited task forces to permanent workgroups.

"As the healthcare landscape continues to evolve, we remain focused on advancing interoperability and using our collective voice to educate policymakers as to how EHRs and other health IT can best be leveraged to ensure health data is used to improve the patient experience, ease provider burden, achieve health equity, and reduce inefficiency within the healthcare system," said Bucciferro.

For example, the EHR Association continues to collaborate closely with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General (OIG) on issues related to policy and regulatory compliance. It has also joined with other professional organizations, including AHIMA and AMIA, to work toward consensus on issues related to information sharing and electronic health information (EHI).

"In addition to our ongoing collaborations with key agencies, including CMS and ONC, and other stakeholders on efforts to make progress toward shared goals, the Association will continue providing

proactive perspectives and guidance to the industry and using our members' expertise to raise critical questions on issues that are important to our health IT community and the healthcare providers we support," said Hayes.

About the EHR Association

The EHR Association's 30 member companies serve the vast majority of hospitals, post-acute, specialty-specific, and ambulatory healthcare providers using EHRs across the United States. Our focus is on collaborative efforts to accelerate health information and technology adoption, assist member companies with regulatory compliance, advance information exchange between interoperable systems, and improve the quality and efficiency of patient care through the use of technology.

The EHR Association is a partner of HIMSS. For more information, visit www.ehra.org.

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