Electronic Health Record Association Announces FY24 Leadership and Priorities

CHICAGO – January 2, 2024 – The Electronic Health Record (EHR) Association announced the results of its annual Executive Committee elections for terms beginning Jan. 1, 2024. The EHR Association is a trade association of 29 companies that serve most of the nation's hospitals and ambulatory care organizations using EHRs and other health information and technology to deliver high-quality, efficient care to their patients.

Stephanie Jamison, Senior Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs with Greenway Health, was elected Chair of the Executive Committee and William Hayes, MD, Chief Medical Officer at CPSI, was re-elected Vice Chair. The Executive Committee establishes the EHR Association's guiding principles and develops and implements strategic plans.

Newly elected to the Executive Committee was Danielle Friend, Director of Integrations at Epic. Re-elected were the Past Chair David Bucciferro, Senior Advisor at Foothold Technology-Radicle Health, and Ida Mantashi, Assistant Vice President of Software Regulatory Compliance with Modernizing Medicine.

Continuing Executive Committee members are Leigh Burchell, Vice President of Government Affairs and Public Policy at Altera Digital Health; Kayla Thomas, Senior Regulatory Strategist with Oracle Cerner; and Cherie Holmes-Henry, Vice President, Government and Industry Affairs at Nextgen Healthcare. Past Chairs Hans Buitendijk, Director of Interoperability Strategy with Oracle Cerner, and Sasha TerMaat, Director at Epic, continue as *ex-officio* Executive Committee members.

The health IT regulatory environment will remain in a state of flux in 2024 as the industry – including the EHR Association – evaluates the impact of the Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: Certification Program Updates, Algorithm Transparency, and Information Sharing (HTI-1) Final Rule, released December 13, 2023, by the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) for Health IT. ONC is also expected to release its HTI-2 proposed rule at some point in 2024, which along with HTI-1 has the potential to upend certification and significantly increase the compliance burden for both developers and their healthcare provider customers.

"The federal and state-based rulemaking cycle, which often conflict with each other, along with continued policy discussion around AI could potentially reshape the health IT certification landscape," said Jamison. "The EHR Association will work to ensure our members' voices are heard by regulators and policymakers as we continue to focus on serving the interests of health IT developers and providers while supporting the advancement of interoperability and standards."

Adds Hayes: "It is a pivotal time in health IT as regulatory agencies race to keep pace with transformational advances in technology. The EHR Association will continue to collaborate with CMS, ONC and other key regulatory agencies and stakeholders to provide the developer perspective and guidance on shared goals, and to raise critical questions and concerns on issues impacting our members and the healthcare providers we support."

About the EHR Association
The EHR Association's 29 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.

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