

Spring Symposium

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Upcoming Events

The Summer Symposium/Golf Tournament will be held on **September 14, 2016** at the Ranch Golf and Country Club at Acheson.

The ANHIX-COACH Conference is in the early planning stages and is tentively scheduled for **February 2017** in Calgary. More information will be published as it becomes available.

The Spring Symposium was held at the Holiday Inn Conf. Centre South on May 12, 2016.

The morning began with Dr. Allen Ausford describing a "Day in the Life of an IT enabled Alberta physician". Allen described key components of an automated care setting and how they fit within his practice. He explained the differences between an EMR and an EHR and underscored the "pain v gain" of local EMRs versus enterprise EMRs. He then discussed specific tools such as Netcare and eCLINICIAN.

Next up was Tracy Wasylak, Senior Program Officer at AHS. Tracy gave an update on the development of Strategic Clinical Networks (SCNs) in the province. She gave an overview of the clinical areas covered by the networks since their inception in 2012. She also identified those areas identified for future implementation as well as describing the prioritization process for future areas. She finished by describing the impacts the SCNs had made and the benefits they had delivered.

The morning was completed by Jeremy Webster, a Partner with Deloitte, giving a presentation on the impact the health and life sciences industries could have on the Alberta economy and how they could strongly support economic diversification.

His presentation, based on a Deloitte/BioAlberta Life Science Industry Survey outlined many of the opportunities that exist today in Alberta and how similar opportunities have been exploited in other jurisdictions in Canada and around the world.

In the afternoon, Dr. Peter Silverstone talked about the EMPATHY Program, a suicide intervention program that analyzed and

identified at risk students in an overall student population of 4,500 grade 6 – 12 students in Red Deer.

He described the program design and the way in which IT supported its implementation and then went on to give an assessment of its results.

The program was concluded by Brian Eckhardt, IMT Corp., giving an overview of Master Data Management (MDM) in healthcare.

He discussed why MDM was important, best practices in Canada and the USA and some of the trends and innovations using MDM in healthcare.

The full presentations are available to members at anhix.com/Spring-Symposium-May-2016



Jeremy Webster speaks to Life Sciences and Health Care Innovation

AGM 2016/17



Randy Duguay has now taken over from Mike Spelliscy as President of ANHIX for the 2016/17 year.

Congratulations to Randy and many thanks to Mike for all his efforts.

The Annual General Meeting was held as part of the Spring Symposium.

Operational and financial reports were presented and a new Board for 2016/17 was established.

New President Randy Duguay replaces Mike Spelliscy who now becomes Past President, and current Board member, Peter Smith, was elected as the new Vice-President.

The AGM also heard that the Board nomination process had attracted a full slate of candidates. Nominations were invited from the floor but none were forthcoming so the slate of candidates was approved by acclamation.

Wendy Dupree, Sherry Nicholaichuk, Bob Silversides and Malcolm Steele were all re-elected to new two-year terms.

Don McIntosh was the only newly-elected

member and his credentials are detailed below.

Heidi Bronson, Raj Dhaliwal, Brett Duncan, Kathy Ervin, Steve McMahon and Mike Miller have twelve months left on their existing term.

Spotlight on Board Changes



Dennis Hulme

Dennis has retired from the Board after completing his term as Past President. Dennis joined the Board in 2012 and served as President in 2014.

ANHIX thanks him for his service, wishes him all the best for the future and hopes to see him at many future ANHIX events.



Peter Smith

Peter is the new Vice President and will also serve the following year as President and in 2018 as Past President.

Peter is Executive Vice President, Canada at Strata Health, and is based in Calgary. He joined the ANHIX Board in 2014 and has made significant contributions particularly with respect to the establishment and growth of our Winter event in Calgary.

Congratulations Peter and good luck in your new position.



Don McIntosh

Don McIntosh has been elected to the Board for the first time.

Don is a Lead Consultant with Sierra Systems with 28+ years of experience in healthcare, of which 6+ have been in IT. He is also a Certified Management Consultant (CMC).

He is a former clinician with comprehensive experience in the requirements and impacts of healthcare delivery and clinical information system development and deployment.

The Board comprises fourteen individuals, President, Past President, Vice-President and eleven directors, including the Secretary and Treasurer.

In the News



ANHIX Summer Symposium and Golf Tournament

The Summer Symposium and Golf tournament will take place on September 14, 2016 at the Ranch Golf and Country Club at Acheson.

The day will comprise three main parts; a speaker program in the morning followed by lunch, a shot-gun Texas Scramble golf tournament in the afternoon, and a BBQ supper and prize giving in the evening.

The speaker program is currently under development and is expected to be published by the end of July.

Registration will open to all ANHIX members on August 1. The cost for the full day is \$110 with a reduced rate of \$60 for the speaker program* including lunch. Early birds will also be in effect.

It's always a great day so put it in your calendar now!

* Please note that the number of "Speaker program only" registrations available will be limited due to space

ANHIX Membership

Although non-members are now entitled to attend ANHIX events, the cost of entry is considerably reduced for ANHIX members. This applies to the upcoming Summer Symposium and Golf Tournament as well as the Winter Conference put on jointly with COACH in Calgary. If you want to take advantage of these discounts, please go to www.anhix.com/join to join. As well as enjoying discounted rates, it will give you access to the presentation materials after the event.



Our membership works on a rotating year basis so you will get the full twelve months of value whenever you join. The membership fee is still only \$25.

Patron Sponsor Update

Spring is the time of the year when ANHIX looks to its patron sponsors to renew their commitment. ANHIX is only able to provide the quality events it does because of the generous support of its patron sponsors, and we are pleased to announce that they have come up trumps again.

Last year, we had a record number of patron sponsors (12) and this year we've managed to match that number. Cisco, CGI, Deloitte, IBM, Meditech, Online Business Systems, Orion Health, The SAS Institute, Sierra Systems and Solvera have all renewed their commitments for this current fiscal year and they are joined by brand new patrons – E&Y and Oracle.

Healthtech Consultants and Hybrid Forge were unable to renew their support this year. ANHIX thanks them for their support over the past two years and hopes they may resume their support again in the future.

It's a testament to ANHIX and its members that we continue to be able to attract such a prestigious group of organizations as patron sponsors.

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