New Member Reception

New members are invited to join us prior to the Communities Open House for an exclusive reception. This is your opportunity to mingle with the HIMSS Board of Directors, Fellows, and committee members. Take advantage of this exclusive opportunity to network with peers, establish life-long industry connections, and learn about HIMSS member benefits.

- **Date:** Tuesday, February 21
- **Time:** 4:30-5:00 PM
- **Place:** The Venetian Hotel

To RSVP, register here: [http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevaid=227351](http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevaid=227351) For more information, please contact membership@himss.org.

Communities Open House

Step up to the plate and take this opportunity to see true value in HIMSS membership. Mix and mingle with volunteers and leaders from HIMSS communities. Join this reception and learn about HIMSS Chapters, Special Interest Groups (SIGs), Fellows, Committees, Task Forces, Users Group and more. Mix and mingle with volunteers and leaders from HIMSS communities. Light afternoon refreshments will be served. Attend and be eligible for fabulous HIMSS prizes.

- **Date:** Tuesday, February 21
- **Time:** 5:00 - 6:30 PM
- **Place:** The Venetian, Bellini 2001A, Las Vegas, Nevada

New York State Reception

- **Date:** Wednesday, February 22, 2012
- **Time:** 6pm – 7:30pm
- **Place:** The Venetian, Bellini 2001A, Las Vegas, Nevada

Usability 101: Applied Methods and Insights

- **Date:** Monday, February 20, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- **Description:** This is a hands-on, interactive workshop that will focus on real-world scenarios in measuring the effectiveness, efficiency and satisfaction of the user experience with an EHR. This workshop will cover usability research methods across the software design and development spectrum that can be adapted to any organization's EHR development, customization or implementation process. Attention will be given to
matching the appropriate usability research method to the associated phase of software development. Participants will plan and discuss several usability methods for use in their own environment.

- **Level**: Intermediate
- **Location**: Venetian Sands Expo Convention Center, Room Casanova 504

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**New York and New Jersey Chapter Member Wins January Spirit of HIMSS Award**

Tony Ferrante, Director of Business Development for Computer Design & Integration LLC, Teterboro, NJ, is the recipient of the January Spirit of HIMSS Award. Ferrante has been an invaluable member on the New Jersey HIMSS and New York HIMSS Chapter boards. He is an integral part of the educational programming, as well the promotion of the CPHIMS credential, and the CPHIMS review course. Ferrante is invaluable to both chapters and is known as the engine that moves them down the track. Established in 2003, the Spirit of HIMSS Award recognizes members who exemplify the mission of HIMSS through their recent volunteer efforts within the society. HIMSS utilizes awards to recognize the special contributions of individuals, groups and organizations to the advancement of the healthcare profession as encompassed by the HIMSS mission. These special contributions may vary widely due to the diverse membership of HIMSS and the broad definition of the healthcare professions represented in our mission.

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**Staten Island Heart Society Honors Dr. Salvatore Volpe**

On Tuesday, February 28, 2012 the Staten Island Heart Society will host its 9th Annual Chefs' Extravaganza, at the Hilton Garden Inn. from 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM.

Dr. Salvatore Volpe, M.D., is a past president of the HIMSS NYS chapter and will receive the Excellence in Medicine Award.

[Click here for more information.](#)

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- **Sponsors**: New York Academy of Medicine, maxIT, HIMSS NYS, Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health, & Columbia's Center for Advanced Information Management
- **Date**: Wednesday, March 21, 2012
- **Time**: 5:30PM: Check-in and Refreshments, 6:00-7:00PM: Presentation, 7:00-7:30 PM Networking
- **Location**: The New York Academy of Medicine, 1216 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street, New York, NY 10029
- **Speaker(s)**:
  - Ken Ong, MD, MPH, CMIO of New York Hospital Queens
  - Abha Agrawal, MD, FACP, Medical Director of Kings County Hospital Center in Brooklyn, NY
  - Rachel Block, Deputy Commissioner for Health
Information Technology Transformation in the New York State Department of Health

- Curtis Cole, MD, Chief Information Officer for Weill Cornell Medical College in New York City
- Deborah Johnson-Ingram, Senior Program Manager on the Performance Improvement Team with Primary Care Development Corporation (PCDC) in New York City
- Joseph Kannry, MD, Lead Technical Informaticist on the EMR Clinical Transformation Group at Mount Sinai
- Glenn Martin, MD, Director of Medical Informatics for the Queens Health Network (QHN) in New York, a winner of the Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence
- Amanda Parsons, MD, Deputy Commissioner for the Division of Health Care Access & Improvement, NYC DOHMH
- Jason Shapiro, MD, MA, Associate Professor and Chief of the Division of Informatics in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Mytri Pritam Singh, MPH, Executive Director of Implementation at the Primary Care Information Project (PCIP), a Bureau within the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (NYC DOHMH)
- Alan Silver, MD, MPH, Medical Director at IPRO, a non-profit health care assessment and quality improvement company
- Salvatore Volpe, MD, FAAP, FACP, CHCQM, Physician Liaison and Clinical Champion for the NYC DOH Primary Care Information Project and NYC REACH (Regional Extension Center)

Click here for more details.

Registration Information
Cost: Free, but advance registration required
Register now

Save the Date 3/2/2012: NY State HIMSS Advocacy 2012 – The Road Ahead

We would like to invite chapter members interested in advocacy to a webinar on March 2, 2012, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM EST entitled “NY State HIMSS Advocacy 2012 – The Road Ahead.” The webinar will be hosted by Chris Harris, the NY State Advocacy Committee Co-Chair, and will cover:

1. The 2012 HIMSS Advocacy Plan, including timeline and goals
2. How to contribute
3. Upcoming dates

The link to the registration page is here: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/673564745
We are looking forward to a collaborative meeting and to discussing the 2012 Advocacy Plan
with chapter members interested in this topic.

We have aggressive outreach targets but together we will be able to achieve them.

For more information, contact Chris Harris (chriharris@deloitte.com).

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**Save the Date 4/27/2012: New York State Mini-HIMSS Conference**

- Friday, April 27, 2012; 8:00am – 4:00pm; Cocktail Reception to Follow
- Location: Lighthouse International, 111 E 59th Street, New York, NY
- Registration information to follow

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