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From Fragmented Data to Intelligent Care: Building Trusted, Connected, and AI-Enabled Healthcare



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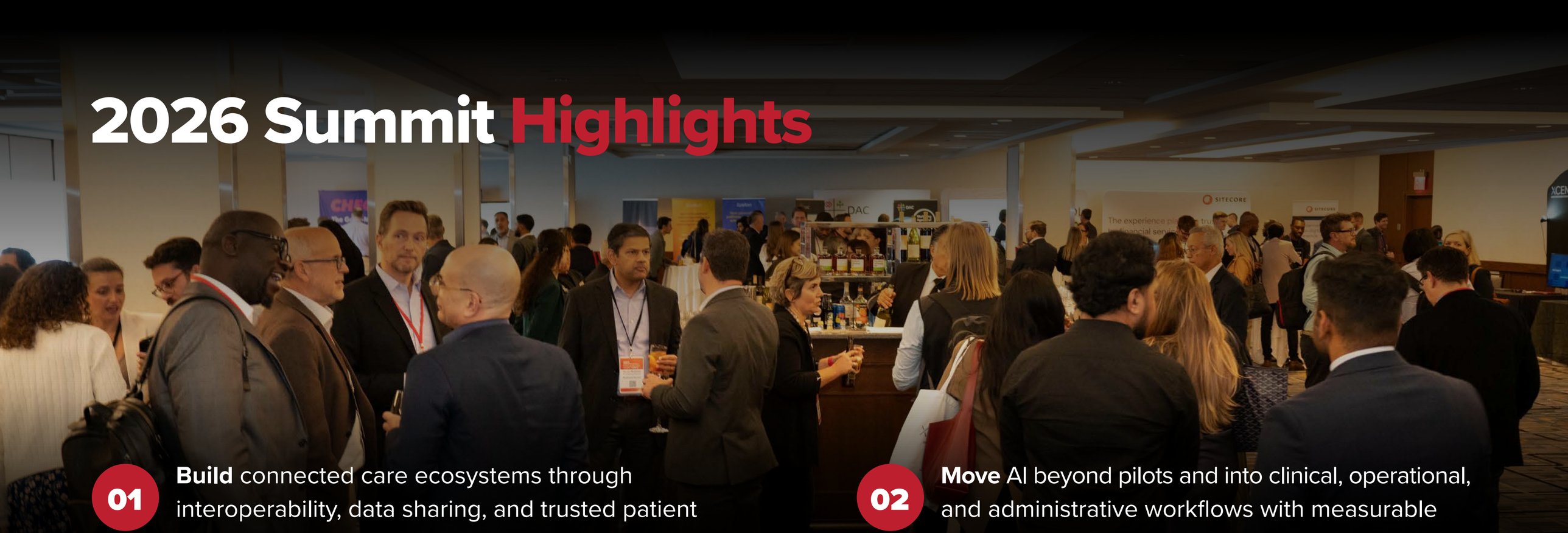
The working summit for Canadian healthcare leaders balancing innovation, connectivity, and transformation in the age of AI



Healthcare is entering a new era of intelligent care. As organizations face growing demand, workforce constraints, rising costs, and increasing expectations for personalized care, leaders must connect data, operationalize AI, and embed intelligence directly into clinical and operational workflows. This summit brings together healthcare innovators and decision-makers to share practical strategies for building trusted, connected, and AI-enabled health systems.

The program is built around peer-led case studies, panels, roundtables, and working sessions designed for implementation. You will exchange approaches with healthcare executives, clinical leaders, digital health innovators, and data professionals while leaving with practical frameworks for connected care, responsible AI, healthcare interoperability, operational intelligence, and scalable healthcare transformation.

2026 Summit Highlights



01 **Build** connected care ecosystems through interoperability, data sharing, and trusted patient data foundations.

02 **Move** AI beyond pilots and into clinical, operational, and administrative workflows with measurable impact.

03 **Improve** workforce productivity through intelligent automation, decision support, and AI-enabled ways of working.

04 **Develop** real-time operational intelligence to improve patient flow, capacity management, and resource allocation.

05 **Strengthen** governance, privacy, security, and responsible AI practices to maintain trust in high-stakes healthcare environments.

06 **Unlock** the value of unstructured clinical data using NLP, Generative AI, and emerging healthcare AI capabilities.

07 **Modernize** healthcare data platforms and infrastructure while reducing fragmentation, technical debt, and complexity.

08 **Connect** with Canada's healthcare data, analytics, digital health, and AI community to share lessons, strategies, and practical solutions.

Is Your Role Here?

If you work in any of the functions below, you'll take away practical strategies, frameworks, and peer-led insights you can apply immediately.

Data Leadership & Strategy

Chief Data Officers (CDOs), Chief Analytics Officers, Chief Digital Health Officers, VP of Data & Analytics, VP of Digital Health, Heads of Data & Analytics, Data Strategy, Enterprise Data, Information Management, Health System Transformation, Director of Data, Director of Analytics, and Decision Support Leaders

Analytics & Insights

Business Intelligence, Clinical Analytics, Population Health Analytics, Advanced Analytics, Data Science, Decision Support, Performance Measurement, Health System Planning, Reporting & Insights, Predictive Analytics, Operational Analytics, Quality Improvement Analytics, and Healthcare Research & Evaluation

AI, Governance, & Data Management

Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Clinical AI, Responsible AI, AI Governance, Data Governance, Data Quality, Data Privacy, Information Governance, Health Information Management, Master Data Management, Interoperability, Risk Management, Cybersecurity, and Digital Trust

Technology & Transformation

Digital Health, Health Informatics, IT Leadership, Enterprise Architecture, Data Engineering, Data Platform Engineering, Cloud Architecture, Interoperability & Integration, Clinical Systems, Digital Transformation, Innovation, Program Delivery, Healthcare Technology, and Operational Excellence



Who Attends?

Senior healthcare data, analytics, AI, digital health, technology, and governance leaders from practitioner to executive level across Canada. This is a peer community focused on improving patient outcomes, enabling connected care, scaling trusted AI, strengthening governance, and turning data into measurable clinical, operational, and system-wide improvements.

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Testimonials Trusted by Canada's Healthcare Data, Analytics, & AI Community

Don't just take our word for it! Here's what past delegates say about the takeaways, connections, and ROI.

"Very well organized, educational, with many opportunities to network. I'll be back next year!"

UNITY HEALTH TORONTO

"A fantastic line-up of speakers — very knowledgeable and future-thinking, with outside-the-box innovation in AI and healthcare."

VANCOUVER ISLAND health authority

"The speakers were super insightful — it was refreshing to see we are all experiencing the same barriers."

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA HEART INSTITUTE

"Now in my third year attending. A great forum for networking, sharing experiences, challenges, and lessons learned."

VANCOUVER ISLAND health authority

"The summit is not only for senior analysts and directors — it's also incredibly valuable for beginners. I appreciate the inclusion it provides."

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

"This summit is my must-attend event — I learn so much that I can take back to my organization and implement."

NORTH YORK GENERAL Here for life.

"A great event with lots of insightful presentations. There are so many use cases our organization and the system at large can benefit from."

Sinai Health

"Excellent and informative conference — I would definitely recommend this to colleagues."

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Agenda at a Glance

Eastern Std. Time	DAY 1 - Tuesday, December 8, 2026
7:45 AM	**Networking Breakfast**
8:45 AM	**Opening Comments from Your Host**
9:00 AM	**Opening C-Suite Panel:** From Fragmented Data to Intelligent Care
9:30 AM	**Industry Expert:** Connected Data Strategy
10:00 AM	**Speed Networking**
10:30 AM	**Keynote:** Leading Healthcare Transformation at Scale
11:00 AM	**Exhibitor Loung**
11:30 AM	**Industry Expert:** Measuring Healthcare AI Roi
12:00 PM	**Panel:** Modernizing Healthcare Without Disrupting Care
12:30 PM	**Networking Lunch**
1:30 PM	**Exhibitor Lounge**
1:45 PM	**Track 1 –** Connected Data **/ Track 2 –** Predictive Analytics
2:20 PM	**Track 1 – Presentation:** Building Canada's Connected Health Data Ecosystem **/** **Track 2– Presentation -** AI-Driven Insights
2:45 PM	**Track 1–** Use Case: Responsible AI / **Track 2 –** Data Products
3:15 PM	**Exhibitor Lounge**
3:45 PM	**Presentation:** From Fragmented Research To National Capability
4:15 PM	**Case Study:** Leading the Intelligent Health System
4:45 PM	**Closing Comments from Your Host**
5:00 PM	**Networking Reception**
6:00 PM	**Conference Adjourns to Day 2**

Eastern Std. Time	DAY 2 – Wednesday, December 9, 2026
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9:30 AM	Use Case: **Digital**
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10:45 AM	Exhibitor Lounge
11:00 AM	**Track 1: Fireside Chat:** Ai Adoption/ **Track 2: Panel:** Collaboration Models
11:30 AM	**Track 1: Panel:** Ai Innovation And Roi / **Track 2: Case Study:** Data Driven Innovation In Pharma
12:00 PM	Networking Lunch & Exhibitor Lounge
12:30 PM	Exhibitor Lounge
1:15 PM	**Track 1– AI in Healthcare:** Eight Myths That Could Derail Your Strategy/ **Track 2** – Building The Data Foundations For Integrated Care
1:45 PM	**Track 1** – **Use Case:** Governance / **Track 2** – **Presentation:** Operationalizing Phisa
2:15 PM	**Track 1** – **Case Study:** Implementing Clinical Genai Safely/ **Track 2**– **Interactive Workshop:** From Data Stewardship To Execution
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3:30 PM	**Use Case:** Predictive Analytics
4:00 PM	Case Study
4:30 PM	Closing Comments from Your Host
4:45 PM	Conference Concludes

Featured Speakers

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Hear directly from senior marketing and growth leaders shaping digital strategy across banking, insurance, credit unions, wealth, and fintech with practical perspectives you can apply immediately.



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Dr. Cheryl Williams

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DAY 01 Tuesday
December 8, 2026

Detailed Agenda

7:45–8:45 AM

Networking Breakfast: Build Relationships Across The Healthcare Data Community

- Start your day by connecting with **healthcare leaders** responsible for data, analytics, AI, digital health, clinical operations, and transformation.
- Discuss **common challenges** around interoperability, governance, workforce pressures, AI adoption, and system modernization.
- **Meet peers** working to improve patient outcomes, operational performance, and health system sustainability through better use of data and intelligence.

8:45–9:00 AM

Opening Comments From Your Host

Gain insight into today's sessions so you can maximize your conference experience and identify the conversations most relevant to your healthcare organization's priorities.



Simon Hagens
Adjunct Professor, Telfer School of Management
The University of Ottawa

9:00–9:30 AM

Opening C-Suite Panel: From Fragmented Data to Intelligent Care

How to Build the Trusted Foundations for AI-Powered Healthcare

- Align data, analytics, and AI investments directly to patient outcomes, workforce priorities, and organizational objectives.
- Improve interoperability across providers, care settings, and healthcare ecosystems.
- Strengthen governance, trust, privacy, and accountability while enabling innovation.
- Achieve operating models capable of scaling intelligence across the organization.



Stafford Dean
CDO
Alberta Health Services



Patrick Lagioia
Director, Policy & Partnerships
Public Health Agency of Canada

9:30–10:00 AM

Industry Expert: Connected Data Strategy

More Than the Sum of Your Silos- Connecting Your Data to Power Analytics, Enable AI and Advance Clinical Research

- Move beyond fragmented, custom-built systems by establishing connected data foundations that support interoperability, advanced analytics and enterprise-wide AI adoption.
- Explore how Oracle's Learning Health Network, data intelligence and generative AI can connect clinical research with care delivery, accelerate discovery and support evidence-based recommendations.
- Build a continuously learning healthcare organization that translates research findings and AI-generated insights into clinical practice, population health strategies and measurable improvements in care.



Jeremy Young
Director, Strategic Development Executive
Oracle

10:00–10:30 AM

Speed Networking: Build Meaningful Healthcare Connections

- Participate in structured networking **designed to connect healthcare leaders** facing similar transformation challenges.
- **Exchange practical experiences**, discuss implementation lessons, and source new ideas.
- **Build relationships with peers** responsible for advancing healthcare data, analytics, AI, and digital transformation initiatives.

10:30–11:00 AM

Keynote: Leading Healthcare Transformation At Scale

The Healthcare Data Leader's Dilemma: How to Balance Innovation, Operational Pressures and System-Wide Change

- Prioritize investments and transformation initiatives by balancing immediate operational pressures, long-term data modernization and emerging AI opportunities.
- Align clinical, operational and technology leadership around shared objectives, clear accountability and the governance structures required to execute change across a complex health system.
- Build organizational capabilities for sustainable transformation by strengthening data literacy, cross-functional collaboration and the adoption of analytics in frontline decision-making.



Stafford Dean
CDO
Alberta Health Services

11:00–11:30 AM

Exhibitor Lounge: Visit Booths & Source Expertise

- **Explore innovative technologies** supporting healthcare data, AI, interoperability, governance, cybersecurity, and digital transformation.
- **Discuss organizational priorities** with healthcare technology providers and solution specialists.
- Schedule one-to-one consultations and **source practical advice** for upcoming initiatives.

11:30–12:00 PM

Industry Expert:measuring Healthcare AI Roi

From Contact Centre to Connected Care: How AI Can Transform Patient Access and Engagement

- Improve patient access and navigation by using conversational AI and intelligent routing to help patients find appropriate services, manage appointments and receive timely support across communication channels.
- Reduce administrative workloads and operational costs by automating routine enquiries, streamlining scheduling workflows and providing healthcare staff with relevant patient information at the point of interaction.
- Connect patient engagement data with operational intelligence to identify service bottlenecks, understand patient needs and continuously improve access, responsiveness and care coordination.

12:00–12:30 PM

Panel: Modernizing Healthcare Without Disrupting Care

How to Transform Data Platforms While Maintaining Operational Stability

- Perfect healthcare data platforms without disrupting frontline care delivery.
- Improve scalability, resilience, and long-term operational flexibility.
- Reduce technical debt while supporting future innovation requirements.
- Align modernization investments to organizational and patient outcomes.



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Simon Hagens
Adjunct Professor, Telfer School of Management
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12:30–1:30 PM

Networking Lunch: Delve into Healthcare Transformation Conversations

- **Meet speakers and peers** working through similar healthcare transformation challenges.
- Discuss interoperability, governance, AI adoption, workforce pressures, and **digital health strategies**.
- **Expand your professional network** while continuing conversations from the morning sessions.

1:30–1:45 PM

Exhibitor Lounge: Visit Booths & Win Prizes

- Explore sponsor demonstrations and **healthcare technology innovations.**
- **Discuss implementation challenges** with healthcare solution providers.
- Enter prize draws and **access exclusive conference** resources and content.

1:45–2:15 PM

TRACK 1: HEALTHCARE STRATEGY & TRANSFORMATION

CASE STUDY: CONNECTED DATA

From Digital Strategy To Clinical Transformation: How to Build a Connected Health System

- Align digital, data and clinical strategies around the outcomes that matter most to patients, clinicians and the health system.
- Connect fragmented systems and information to give care teams more timely access to the data they need for clinical decision-making.
- Embed digital tools and data-driven insights into clinical workflows so technology supports rather than adds complexity to care delivery.
- Engage clinicians and operational teams throughout transformation to drive adoption, overcome resistance and ensure solutions reflect real-world needs.
- Scale successful initiatives beyond individual departments to create sustainable, organization-wide transformation.



Jonathan Wiersma
Director - Data and Analytics Centre
Johnson & Johnson



Dr. Cheryl Williams
Executive VP, Clinical Operations and Chief Nursing Executive
Halton Healthcare



Siuwin Wang
Director of Digital Health
Halton Healthcare

TRACK 2: APPLIED ANALYTICS & DATA SCIENCE

CASE STUDY: PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS

Predicting The Pressure- How to Use Predictive Analytics to Transform Patient Flow and Capacity Management

- Forecast patient volumes, admissions and capacity pressures before they become operational bottlenecks.
- Connect data across emergency, inpatient, discharge, staffing and other operational systems to create a more complete picture of patient flow.
- Translate predictive models into actionable insights that clinical and operational leaders can use in day-to-day capacity decisions.
- Align expected demand with staffing and resources to support more proactive capacity planning.
- Measure whether predictive insights are translating into improved flow, reduced delays and better experiences for patients and care teams.



El Mostafa Bouattane
Chief Privacy Officer & Director Organizational Performance
Montfort Academic Hospital



Eugene Wong
Chief Data and Analytics Officer
Scarborough Health Network

2:20–2:45 PM

TRACK 1: HEALTHCARE STRATEGY & TRANSFORMATION

PRESENTATION: BUILDING CANADA'S CONNECTED HEALTH DATA ECOSYSTEM

From Fragmentation to Federation: Creating a National Framework for Health Data Collaboration

- Align national and provincial priorities around common data standards, interoperability objectives and shared approaches to health information exchange.
- Strengthen cross-jurisdictional collaboration by establishing partnerships and governance models that enable trusted information sharing between governments, health authorities and healthcare organizations.
- Advance a federated health data ecosystem that enables organizations to access and use information across institutional boundaries while respecting privacy, sovereignty and local accountability.



Juliana Wu
Executive Director, Health Data Advancement
CIHI

TRACK 2: APPLIED ANALYTICS & DATA SCIENCE

PRESENTATION - AI-DRIVEN INSIGHTS

Finding the Missing Signals: How AI Unlocks Insights from Incomplete Patient Data

- Apply ML and AI techniques to identify meaningful patterns and relationships within incomplete longitudinal patient datasets.
- Bring together medical, clinical, analytics and data science expertise to interpret emerging signals, validate findings and distinguish meaningful insights from misleading patterns.
- Translate insights from fragmented longitudinal data into actionable evidence that supports clinical research, treatment strategies and better-informed healthcare decisions.



Gauri Dharkar
Associate Director, Advanced Medical Analytics
AstraZeneca

2:45–3:15 PM

TRACK 1: HEALTHCARE STRATEGY & TRANSFORMATION

USE CASE: RESPONSIBLE AI

Enabling Responsible AI Through Governance, Analytics, and Workflow Transformation

- Build the governance, stewardship, privacy, and risk management foundations required for responsible AI adoption.
- Establish modern analytics and AI infrastructure using trusted data products, semantic layers, knowledge assets, and scalable AI platforms.
- Embed policy, governance, and human oversight directly into operational workflows to maximize adoption, value realization, and risk management.
- Redesign business processes and decision pathways to leverage AI, automation, and advanced analytics at scale.
- Move beyond experimentation to deliver measurable impact across patient care, operations, workforce planning, research, and organizational performance.



Marlene Ross
CIO
Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital



Sri Vijay Bharat Peddi
Director, Decision Support & Data Analytics
Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital

TRACK 2: APPLIED ANALYTICS & DATA SCIENCE

USE CASE: DATA PRODUCTS

How to Build Data Products People Actually Use

- Capture meaningful requirements through indicator methodologies, naming conventions and clearly defined user personas.
- Translate user needs into effective wireframes that validate structure, information hierarchy and functionality before development begins.
- Prototype accessible, intuitive experiences using swatch boards, accessibility principles and practical prototyping tools.
- Validate products through user acceptance testing to identify friction and improve usability before deployment.



Mohamedraza Khaki
Manager, Decision Support
Ontario Health atHome

3:15 – 3:45 PM

Exhibitor Lounge: Attend Vendor Demos & Consult Industry Experts

- **Explore innovative healthcare technologies** and transformation strategies.
- Meet one-on-one with solution providers to **discuss organizational priorities**.
- Source practical advice and implementation guidance from **specialists across the healthcare ecosystem**.

3:45 – 4:15 PM

Presentation: From Fragmented Research To National Capability

Building Canada's Next Generation of Health Data and Clinical Research Infrastructure

- Build sustainable research infrastructure by aligning government, academic health sciences institutions and industry around shared priorities, investment models and long-term operational capabilities.
- Connect health data and clinical research networks to enable multi-site collaboration, more efficient patient recruitment and the delivery of innovative clinical trials across institutions and jurisdictions.
- Translate infrastructure investment into measurable research impact by establishing governance, partnership and performance frameworks that accelerate research delivery and support the adoption of evidence into clinical practice.



Nicole Yada
Director Strategy Partnerships and Operations
VITAL

4:15 – 4:45 PM

Case Study: Leading The Intelligent Health System

The Trust Equation: How To Navigate Bias, Data Shifts And Local Deployment In Healthcare Ai

- Identify algorithmic bias and gaps in training data before they translate into unequal performance across patient populations.
- Recognize domain and data shifts that can cause previously accurate models to deteriorate when introduced into new clinical environments.
- Validate AI against local populations, workflows and datasets rather than assuming performance will transfer between healthcare organizations.
- Calibrate models using rigorous statistical approaches to maintain accuracy, reliability and clinical relevance across different settings.



Pascal Tyrell
Director, Data Science
University of Toronto

4:45 – 5:00 PM

Closing Comments From Your Host

- **Review the key themes**, strategies, and lessons from today's sessions.
- Identify practical actions to **support your healthcare transformation initiatives**.
- **Prepare for a second day** focused on AI governance, clinical intelligence, and operational innovation.

5:00 – 6:00 PM

Networking Reception: Connect, Collaborate, & Continue The Conversation

- **Relax and unwind with peers** after a full day of learning and discussion.
- **Continue conversations** with speakers, sponsors, and fellow healthcare leaders.
- **Build relationships** that support future collaboration across Canada's healthcare ecosystem.

6:00 PM

Conference Adjourns to Day 2

DAY 02 Wednesday
December 9, 2026

Detailed Agenda

7:45–8:45 AM

Networking Breakfast: Reconnect With Your Healthcare Data Community

- Reconnect with peers and **continue conversations** from Day 1.
- **Compare approaches** to AI governance, healthcare analytics, and digital transformation.
- **Prepare for a day** focused on responsible AI, clinical intelligence, and operational innovation.

8:45–9:00 AM

Opening Comments From Your Host

Gain insight into today's sessions and discover the practical strategies shaping the next generation of intelligent healthcare systems.



Bobby Gheorghiu
Past President, Emeritus
Board Member
HIMSS Eastern Canada

9:00–9:30 AM

Opening Panel: Interoperability

Beyond Technical Interoperability: Tackling the Policy- and People-Driven Barriers to Advancing Digital Health and Connected Data in Canada

- Optimize the policy and human factors which are instrumental to a connected data future.
- Connect data governance, data literacy, and policy together more effectively
- Realize a connected, person-centered health data system



Evelyn Pyper
Health Data Strategy Lead
Roche Canada



Ewan Affleck
Senior Medical Advisor – Health Informatics
College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta



Alies Maybee
Co-founder and Co-Chair
Patient Advisors Network



Bobby Gheorghiu
Past President, Emeritus
Board Member
HIMSS Eastern Canada

9:30–10:00 AM

Use Case: Digital

From Clinical Evidence to Patient Choice: Digitizing Goals-of-Care Conversations

- Translate clinical research and evidence into accessible digital tools that support complex, preference-sensitive healthcare decisions.
- Integrate structured goals-of-care conversations into clinical workflows while preserving empathy, professional judgement and patient autonomy.
- Evaluate how digital decision-support tools can improve communication, documentation and alignment between patient preferences and care delivery.



Dr. Giulio DiDiodato
Chief Research Scientist
Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre

10:00–10:45 AM

Roundtables: Discover Thought-Provoking Ideas

- **Topic 1:** Implementing Clinical GenAI Safely: Lessons from Early Deployments.
- **Topic 2:** From AI Pilot to Clinical Workflow: What Actually Scales?
- **Topic 3:** Building Trust in AI Recommendations and Clinical Decision Support.
- **Topic 4:** Predictive Analytics for Patient Flow and Capacity Management.
- **Topic 5:** Balancing Privacy, Consent, and Innovation in Healthcare AI.

10:45–11:15 AM

Exhibitor Lounge: Visit Booths & Source Expertise

- **Meet healthcare technology providers** supporting AI, analytics, interoperability, cybersecurity, governance, and digital transformation.
- Discuss practical implementation challenges and **source expert guidance**.
- Schedule one-on-one consultations **tailored to your organization's priorities**.

11:00–11:30 AM

TRACK 1 – HOSPITAL SYSTEM FUNDAMENTALS FOR THE AI ERA

FIRESIDE CHAT: AI ADOPTION

Turning Data into Trust: How AI Is Redefining the Patient Experience

- Connect how strong data governance frameworks enable high-quality, interoperable data that powers predictive insights, operational excellence, and patient-centered innovation.
- Implement key considerations for AI adoption, including transparency, privacy, ethical use, and governance controls, while demonstrating how healthcare leaders can balance innovation with trust.
- Adopt actionable strategies for building a data-driven culture that improves patient outcomes and experiences while ensuring compliance, accountability, and sustainable value from AI investments.



Justin Saindon
Director, Digital Transformation & Analytics
Niagara Health



Kimberley Hill
Director, Data Governance
North York General Hospital

TRACK 2- THE FUTURE OF DATA IN HOLISTIC HEALTHCARE

PANEL: COLLABORATION MODELS

Beyond the Hospital - How to Break Down the Data Barriers to a Truly Connected Healthcare Ecosystem

- Identify the technical, regulatory and organizational barriers preventing valuable health data from flowing safely across the wider ecosystem.
- Establish trusted governance, consent and data-sharing frameworks that enable collaboration without compromising privacy, security or accountability.
- Connect clinical data with pharmaceutical, MedTech, diagnostic and real-world data to develop a more holistic understanding of patients and their journeys.
- Align standards, architectures and interoperability approaches so insights can move between organizations and become usable within clinical workflows.



Jonathan Wiersma
Director - Data and Analytics Centre
Johnson and Johnson

11:30–12:00 PM

TRACK 1 – HOSPITAL SYSTEM FUNDAMENTALS FOR THE AI ERA

PANEL: AI INNOVATION AND ROI FROM DATA SCIENCE TO CARE DELIVERY

How to Turn AI Innovation Into Measurable Healthcare Impact

- Prioritize data science and AI opportunities around clearly defined clinical and operational challenges rather than technology-led experimentation.
- Translate complex healthcare data into models and insights that clinicians and operational leaders can confidently use.
- Integrate analytics and AI into existing workflows so insights reach the right people at the right point in decision-making.
- Validate solutions for accuracy, safety, usability and real-world impact before moving from experimentation into broader deployment.
- Measure whether data science initiatives are improving outcomes, efficiency and decision-making — and use that evidence to determine what should scale.



El Mostafa Bouattane
Chief Privacy Officer & Director Organizational Performance
Montfort Academic Hospital

TRACK 2- THE FUTURE OF DATA IN HOLISTIC HEALTHCARE

CASE STUDY: DATA DRIVEN INNOVATION IN PHARMA

Beyond the drug: How Data Can Connect Pharma and Health Systems Across the Patient Journey

- Connect clinical, pharmaceutical and real-world data to generate a more complete view of patient pathways and outcomes.
- Break down organizational and technical data silos through stronger interoperability, standards and information-sharing frameworks.
- Establish governance, privacy and consent models that enable valuable collaboration while maintaining appropriate controls over sensitive health data.
- Apply analytics and AI to combined datasets to identify risk earlier, understand treatment effectiveness and uncover opportunities for better intervention.
- Operationalize shared insights so that data collaboration translates into measurable improvements in clinical decisions, patient outcomes and system performance.



Alexander Henderson
VP Medical Affair
Johnson and Johnson Innovative Medicine Canada



Joel Beauchamp-Guay
Sr Ldr Market Engagement Excellence & SO
Johnson and Johnson Innovative Medicine Canada

12:00–12:30 PM

Networking Lunch: Continue The Ai Conversation

- Meet speakers, reconnect with peers, and **continue conversations** around AI governance, healthcare innovation, and operational intelligence.
- **Share lessons** learned and discuss practical implementation strategies.
- Build relationships with leaders **shaping the future of healthcare AI**.

12:30–1:15 PM

Exhibitor Lounge: Visit Booths & Win Prizes

- **Explore healthcare AI demonstrations** and emerging analytics technologies.
- Meet with solution providers and **discuss implementation priorities**.
- Enter prize draws and **access exclusive conference resources**.

1:15–2:15 PM

TRACK 1: AI STRATEGY, TRUST & CLINICAL INNOVATION TRACK

AI in Healthcare: Eight Myths That Could Derail Your Strategy

- Separate hype from reality: Examine whether AI will genuinely reduce healthcare costs, replace clinicians or lower malpractice risks, and understand where new challenges may emerge.
- Overcome the real barriers to adoption: Explore why clinician trust, workflow integration, workforce incentives and health equity may matter more than technological sophistication in determining AI success.
- Rethink healthcare's competitive landscape: Understand why established healthcare organizations may hold significant advantages over AI startups and what this means for innovation, partnerships and investment.



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Richard Siegrist
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TRACK 2: INNOVATION CONNECTED CARE & HEALTH DATA ECOSYSTEMS

Building The Data Foundations For Integrated Care- Lessons from East Toronto's Chronic Disease Pathways

- Connect fragmented data across hospitals, primary care, home care and community partners to support a more coordinated patient journey.
- Standardize referrals, data capture and reporting so information can move more consistently between organizations and care settings.
- Integrate tools such as REDCap, dashboards and reporting capabilities into operational workflows rather than creating additional layers of complexity.
- Govern data across organizational boundaries to improve quality, consistency, accountability and trust.



Simon Hagens
Adjunct Professor, Telfer School of Management
University of Ottawa



Rishma Pradhan
Manager, OHT Development and Care Integration
East Toronto Health Partners

1:45–2:15 PM

TRACK 1: AI STRATEGY, TRUST & CLINICAL INNOVATION

USE CASE: GOVERNANCE

From Trusted Data To Trusted Healthcare Intelligence: How to Build the Governance and Standards Foundation for Analytics and AI

- Establish clear business accountability and standards-enabled governance for critical data assets, moving from reactive data-quality fixes towards proactive management of trusted information.
- Connect product, location, organization and event data using standards such as GTINs and GLNs to strengthen interoperability, supply-chain visibility, traceability and regulatory readiness.
- Build sufficiently consistent and trusted data across suppliers, distributors, hospitals and care environments to support operational intelligence today and scale automation and AI tomorrow.



George Craigie
Senior Director, Data Management & Analytics
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Anjan Sidhu
Vice President, Healthcare
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TRACK 2: INNOVATION CONNECTED CARE & HEALTH DATA ECOSYSTEMS

PRESENTATION: OPERATIONALIZING PHISA

Beyond the Agreement: Turning National Health Data Policy into Accountable Information Sharing

- Translate PHISA's information-sharing principles into governance requirements by clarifying responsibilities for data collection, access, use, disclosure and stewardship across jurisdictions.
- Navigate privacy, Indigenous data sovereignty and accountability obligations when developing policies and controls for trusted public health information exchange.
- Establish organizational readiness for national information sharing by identifying the policy, governance and stakeholder coordination changes required to participate effectively.



Patrick Lagioia
Director, Policy & Partnerships
Public Health Agency of Canada

2:15–3:00 PM

TRACK 1: AI STRATEGY, TRUST & CLINICAL INNOVATION

CASE STUDY: IMPLEMENTING CLINICAL GENAI SAFELY

How to Learn Lessons from Early Healthcare Deployments

- Perfect appropriate use cases for clinical generative AI.
- Adapt validation and monitoring practices.
- Reduce safety and compliance risks.
- Strengthen clinician confidence and adoption.

TRACK 2: INNOVATION CONNECTED CARE & HEALTH DATA ECOSYSTEMS

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP: FROM DATA STEWARDSHIP TO EXECUTION

Building the Foundations for Canada's Connected Health Data Ecosystem

- Design practical data stewardship structures by defining data ownership, governance roles, access responsibilities and accountability across participating organizations.
- Identify the technical and operational capabilities required to support trusted data exchange, including interoperability standards, data quality, metadata management and secure access.
- Develop a prioritized implementation plan that identifies immediate organizational actions, investment requirements and partnerships needed to align with emerging national health data initiatives.



Anne Forsyth
Director, Hospital Data Transformation
CIHI

3:00–3:30 PM

Exhibitor Lounge: Attend Vendor Demos & Consult Industry Experts

- **Explore innovative healthcare** AI technologies and implementation strategies.
- Meet one-on-one with experts and **discuss practical organizational challenges**.
- Source actionable ideas to **support healthcare transformation initiatives**.

3:30–4:00 PM

USE CASE: PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS

Is There a Doctor in the Room? Where Data Strategy Meets Canada's Healthcare Workforce Crisis

- Overcome fragmented data across 19 medical faculties through standardized collection, ETL processes, probabilistic linkage and cloud-based data infrastructure.
- Connect data across the medical learner's journey to track physician training pathways, identify trends and strengthen workforce planning.
- Translate integrated education data into actionable intelligence, exploring how collaboration with organizations such as CIHI can improve understanding of physician supply and future healthcare workforce needs



Melissa Shahin
Chief Strategy Officer
The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada

Geoff Barnum
Senior Manager, Data
The Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada

4:00–4:30 PM

Case Study

Better is Bigger Than ROI — Better Work. Better Outcomes. Better for You.

- Reframe how you approach technology and innovation by looking beyond individual problems and traditional measures of ROI towards the broader improvements you want to create.
- Apply practical projects, prompts, repositories and ideas that demonstrate how emerging technologies can make work, services and experiences meaningfully better.
- Use a simple "better" framework to evaluate opportunities throughout the summit and bring a more purposeful lens to the technology decisions you make afterwards.



David Parker
Founder
Wishplay

4:30–4:45 PM

Closing Comments From Your Host

- **Review the key themes**, lessons, and implementation strategies discussed throughout the conference.
- **Identify practical next steps** to support your organization's healthcare transformation journey.
- **Leave with a clear understanding** of the priorities shaping the future of healthcare data, analytics, and AI.

4:45 PM

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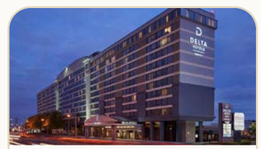

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