

Summer Symposium and Golf Tournament

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Upcoming ANHIX Events

The COACH-ANHIX 2016 Conference will be held on **February 3th** at the Delta Calgary South. For more details see page 3.

The ANHIX Spring Symposium/AGM is in the early planning stages and is scheduled for **May 12** in Edmonton. More information will be published as it becomes available.

The annual ANHIX Summer Symposium and Golf Tournament was held once again at the Ranch Golf and Country Club on September 9.

A combination of an excellent agenda together with a beautiful Fall day attracted a bumper crowd of 70 ANHIX members.

The program comprised two speakers; Tim Murphy, Vice President, Alberta Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research at Alberta Innovates Health Solutions (AIHS) and Verica Jelic, Manager, EHR Deployment, at Alberta Health.

Tim's presentation began with an introduction to AIHS' work on the development of "platforms" to enable the "work" of research and innovation including their strategy for patient-oriented research (SPOR) and their strategic pipeline to accelerate research into care (SPARC). He then went on to describe the key role of the secondary use of health data in driving research and innovation. He described the AIHS vision for secondary data use,

who had been involved and how they were going about achieving the vision. He concluded by describing how all the various pieces fit together.

The second session saw Verica Jelic provide an overview of Alberta Netcare and its evolution from what was essentially a batch-based system to a system now receiving an increasing amount of data in real time. She started by describing Netcare's initial development before going on to discuss a number of real-time integration (RTI) projects that were successfully underway, including pharmacy dispenses, EMR integration and eReferrals. She then

outlined a number of key planned RTI initiatives including ePrescribe, Shared Health Information integration and Immunization integration. She also outlined plans for making Alberta Netcare more widely available to other health care sites e.g. continuing and long term care and other health professionals such as chiropractors, dentists and optometrists.

Full versions of the presentations are available to ANHIX members at:

[Summer-Symposium-September-2015](#)

For information on the Golf Tournament, see page 2.



Tim Murphy giving his presentation "Platforms in Progress"

Golf Tournament Highlights

As opposed to the frigid 5°C temperature last year, this year's tournament teed off at a balmy 16°C with hardly a cloud in the sky. A number of last minute withdrawals reduced the field somewhat but a solid group of forty golfers enjoyed the excellent weather and conditions. The shotgun start got everyone away early so the golfers really got the best of the day.

Once off the course, all the participants enjoyed an excellent steak BBQ before taking part in the golf recognition and prize giving.

Leading the way on the golf front was the threesome of Dev Dhinsa, Bob Silversides and Warren Chunick who carded the low score of the day - an outstanding 6 under par.

Door prizes were distributed and the evening came to a successful conclusion. Thanks go to our patron sponsors for

their financial support and prize donations.

As in previous years, mulligans were sold with the proceeds being donated to the Steven Huesing Scholarship Fund.

Our mulligan seller from last year, Brett Greenlaw, no longer works in the healthcare sector so we managed to convince Brett's long-time predecessor, Jim Cunningham, to step into the breach. We are pleased to report that Jim's excellent work resulted in \$335 being raised.

For more information on the Steven Huesing Scholarship, please visit the following website:

SHuesing-Scholarship.asp

Spotlight on the Board



Sherry Nicholaichuk

Sherry has worked in healthcare her entire adult career. Initially a laboratory technologist, she has spent the last 18 years in healthcare IT.

Her first years in IT were as an application coordinator before learning and then specializing in the integration field in 2007. This blend of business and technical knowledge has been beneficial in understanding clinical priorities and how IT can support the needs of the clinical users.

Currently, she is Director of Integration Services at AHS. She leads the Provincial Health Information Exchange, Regional Integration, the Integration Coordination Centre and EMR Business Integration Services teams. She also works closely with Alberta Health to deliver solutions that support the Electronic Health Record. Her responsibility is to lead the AHS integration strategy and execution of those plans to enable a fully integrated patient record.

Upcoming Healthcare Information Management Events

HIMSS '16
Conference & Exhibition
Las Vegas, Nevada
Feb 29 to Mar 4

himssconference.org

Canadian Reception at
HIMSS '16
March 1

itac.ca/blog/event/5139

BCHIMPS Annual Spring
Education Symposium
Vancouver, BC
March 18

bchimps.org

National Privacy and
Data Governance
Congress
Calgary, Alberta
March 30 to April 1

pacc-ccap.ca/congress-2

e-Health 2016 -
Reimagining Healthcare
Delivery in Canada
Vancouver, BC
June 5 to 8

e-healthconference.com



Dev Dhinsa, Bob Silversides and Warren Chunick glowing with pride at their remarkable low score of the day

Upcoming Events, Patron Sponsor Update and News

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ANHIX-COACH 2016 Conference

ANHIX and COACH (Canada's Health Informatics Association) are once again joining forces to host: *Health IT in Alberta & Beyond – "Community, Social & Consumer Healthcare"* in Calgary at the Delta Calgary South, 135 Southland Drive SE on February 3, 2016. The conference will mark the fourth collaboration between ANHIX and COACH to deliver an event in Calgary. It is expected to attract over 100 of the top leaders, thinkers, senior executives, and individuals from the health industry in Alberta. The conference will consist of a combination of individual speakers and panels throughout the day. The keynote address will be given by Dr. Carl Amrhein, Deputy Minister, Alberta Health. His topic will be MyHealth.Alberta.ca: Helping Albertans Find Their Way to Better Health. To obtain further details on the agenda and speakers or to register for the conference please visit:

[COACH-ANHIX-Conference.asp](#)

ANHIX members will enjoy a discounted rate.

Last year's conference was a sell-out so make sure you register early to avoid disappointment!

ANHIX Spring Symposium and AGM

Our Spring Symposium and AGM will be held on May 12 at the Holiday Inn Conference Centre Edmonton South. Conference planning is actively underway and details will be announced shortly.

Membership Renewal



To attend ANHIX events, you must to be an ANHIX member. This will apply to the Spring Symposium and AGM so if you wish to attend, please go to the ANHIX website – anhix.com/join and enroll as an ANHIX member.

If you are an existing member and your membership expires before the Symposium, you will receive an email inviting

you to renew your membership prior to its expiration. The membership fee is still only \$25.

Board Members Wanted!



ANHIX will shortly be seeking nominees to serve as Board Members. If you are interested in being nominated or have someone else in mind, then look out for the emails that will be coming out sometime in March.

Patron Sponsors

ANHIX is delighted to announce that Orion Health (<https://orionhealth.com/>) has joined ANHIX as a patron sponsor.

By becoming patron sponsors they join a group of progressively-minded companies who see the value that ANHIX provides and who are prepared to financially support its activities.

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ANHIX is always looking for feedback from its members. Whether its recommendations for presentation topics or speakers, ideas for newsletter articles, suggestions you may have for ways we can provide greater value to our members or any other general comments, we want to hear from you. Please let us know what works and what can be improved.

For any other comments you wish to make, we can be reached by email, through the website, by fax or by mail.

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