



DIGITAL HEALTH CANADA ATLANTIC REGION CONFERENCE 2024

8:00am	Networking Breakfast
8:45 am	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Shannon Bott, Executive Director, Digital Health Canada
9:00 am	Nova Scotia: One Person, One Record <p>The OPOP Program brings together IWK Health, Nova Scotia Health, Cyber Security and Digital Solutions, and the Department of Health and Wellness, all working towards improved patient care across the province. This session will reflect on all the work achieved to date and the exciting next steps ahead.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Lindsay Bertrand, Chief Clinical Information Officer, Nova Scotia Health – OPOP Project /IWKDr. Julie Maranda, Chief Medical Information Officer, Nova Scotia Health – OPOP ProjectJamey Martell, MHI, PMP, CPHIMS-CA, Senior Director, One Person, One Record, Nova Scotia Health
10:10 am	Virtual Emergency Care Across the Atlantic Provinces <p>This panel discussion will explore the innovative use of telemedicine and digital health technologies to enhance emergency medical services in rural and urban communities. Experts from various healthcare sectors will discuss the implementation, challenges, and successes of virtual care platforms in delivering timely medical interventions. The panel will also address how these technologies are bridging gaps in healthcare access, improving patient outcomes, and reshaping the future of emergency care in the Atlantic region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Cynthia Clarke, Director of eHealth Clinical Programs for Community & Virtual Care with Digital Health Services, Newfoundland & Labrador Health ServicesDr. Serge Melanson, Executive Clinical/Academic Head, Emergency Care, Horizon Health NetworkDr. Jan Sommers, Medical Director, Virtual Urgent Care and Virtual Emergency Care, Nova Scotia Health
11:00 am	Networking Break
11:20 am	Patients FIRST, Technology Second <p>This session will focus on the current realities facing healthcare providers at the local, provincial, and national levels while providing strategies for organizations to optimize investments made in digital technology through the integration of medical devices. This moderated panel discussion will allow the audience to hear the real life experiences of experts from across Canada as they have embarked on digital journeys keeping the patient first and technology second.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Lyn Baluyot, BScN, MHA, President and CEO, Transform Shared Services OrganizationMargie Kennedy, Director of Transformation & Adoption/Education & Learning, OPOP ProjectDr. Gillian Strudwick, Chief Clinical Informatics Officer and Scientist, CAMH,and Scientific Director (interim) of the Digital Innovation Hub, CAMH
11:20 am	Leveraging AI to Empower Clinicians, Improve Outcomes, and Create a Sustainable Workforce for Healthcare Practitioners <p>AI has remarkable potential in healthcare, from improving care for individuals and populations to alleviating the daily burdens of our clinical workforce for greater sustainability. In this session, Dr. Jigar Patel will discuss how AI will help clinicians reinforce safe medical practices, improve patient outcomes, and create more personalized experiences for all. He will explore how AI-powered clinical automation, including voice recognition technology, is alleviating the administrative burden on physicians. Attendees will learn how these innovations are helping physicians focus more on patient care, improving both their work-life balance and patient satisfaction. Learning Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Understand the high level technical requirements for AI powered applications;Understand the advantages of AI-powered Oracle Health Clinical Digital Assistant in healthcare settings;Examine strategies for using AI to restore and enhance the physician-patient relationship throughnovel application prototyping and development. <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Erin O'Halloran, Vice President, Canada, Oracle HealthDr. Jigar Patel, Senior Director in Product Management for Healthcare, OracleSuzie Schmitz, Strategic Sales Executive, Oracle Health AI
12:05 pm	Networking Lunch
1:05 pm	Canada's First Province-wide Care Coordination Centre (C3) <p>Nova Scotia is at the forefront of health care innovation with the launch of Canada's first province-wide Care Coordination Centre (C3), a transformative initiative designed to improve patient access to health services, improve provider experience, and achieve greater system efficiency. C3 leverages real-time data to facilitate collaboration among healthcare providers across the province. By integrating real-time information, C3 ensures timely coordination of patient care and flow through the system. This collaborative approach not only streamlines communication but also supports healthcare professionals with actionable insights and a unified platform, ultimately fostering a more effective and patient-centered experience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Jane Cooke, Interim Director – IMIT Core & PIEM, Nova Scotia HealthHolly Monk, Patient Flow Manager, Nova Scotia Health
2:05 pm	Collaborating Towards One Health Authority, One Patient, One Medical Record <p>Newfoundland and Labrador is transforming their digital health environment. We have big plans to transform patient care through a single patient record in all care centers the Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services. Join us for a discussion on data sharing, interoperability and transformation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Amy Henderson, Senior Advisor, Health Information System transformation, Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services
2:55 pm	Networking Break
3:15 pm	Sustaining Atlantic Collaboration <p>An exciting approach that aims to foster regional cooperation in developing and implementing digital health strategies across the Atlantic provinces. This group will serve as a platform for healthcare leaders, policymakers, and digital experts to share insights, best practices, and lessons learned from their respective digital health initiatives. By working together, the collaborative will drive innovation, harmonize digital health policies, and make informed decisions that enhance patient care and system efficiency across the region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Christie Lutsiak, Executive Director, Digital Health, Department of Health and WellnessColleen Rogers, Senior Director, Regional Engagement, Atlantic, Canada Health InfowayModerator: Ryan MacNeil, Director, Digital Strategy & Governance System Integration Department of Health and Wellness, Nova Scotia Health
4:15 pm	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Shannon Bott, Executive Director, Digital Health Canada