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HealthlinkNY Celebrates 10 Years of Service



The combined HealthlinkNY (THINC and STHL) Board at their annual board retreat. Please note that some members of the board are missing. To view a comprehensive board list [click here](#).

HealthlinkNY has spent the last ten years working to strengthen and grow its Health Information Exchange (HIE) to improve the continuity of care for patients and workflow

efficiency at its participating providers.

- Most recently, Southern Tier HealthLink (STHL) became affiliated with Taconic Health Information Network and Community (THINC) to operate as HealthlinkNY in anticipation of an official merger in 2015. HealthlinkNY now has two locations (Binghamton and Fishkill) that serve an 11-county region spanning the Hudson Valley, Catskills, and Southern Tier.
- Over this last decade, more than 25 new hospitals, 250 practices and over 50 other healthcare organizations have connected to the HealthlinkNY Health Information Exchange (HIE).
- More than a dozen new staff members have been hired and trained to support the organization's growth and both locations have been expanded to accommodate continued development.
- HealthlinkNY has been developing and implementing a strong community plan for population health across 12 counties, as well as developing a sophisticated analytic service to support PHIP and DSRIP projects.
- HealthlinkNY is working to create brand awareness in its participating communities to help support its movement to encourage patients to permit consent.
- By the end of 2015 HealthlinkNY will have the health information exchange deployed in every county we cover and are looking forward to being the beta site for the Statewide Patient Portal.

HealthlinkNY looks forward to serving its communities for many years to come through its continued support from staff and board members.

Read the full story [here](#). To learn more about the current HealthlinkNY Board and Staff please visit our [About Us page](#).

HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley Goes Live with Medical Document Management

HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley is an integrated health care system focused on providing quality care to its patients, their families and the community. The health care system includes the Mary's Ave Campus, Broadway Campus, Margaretville Hospital, Mountainside Residential Care Center, a skilled nursing facility; and Woodland Pond at New Paltz, a continuing-care retirement community.



The multi-campus health system is currently live at its Broadway Campus with the Medical Document Management (MDM) connection. This allows the Broadway Campus to send transcribed reports to the HealthlinkNY Health Information Exchange (HIE).

Click [here](#) to read the full news story.

Two Long-Term Care Hospitals Go Live with a Bi-Directional Connection to the HealthlinkNY HIE



St. John's Riverside Hospital and Blythedale Children's Hospital have gone live with a Bi-Directional C-CDA Connection to the HealthlinkNY HIE.

The bi-directional C-CDA connection means that there's a collaboration between the HealthlinkNY team, the participants and the EHR vendors to have the ability to both send and receive medical data through the HealthlinkNY HIE. This connection allows the participant to receive patient records from all participating

providers with HealthlinkNY. The connection saves time for participating providers, improves the continuity of care patients receive, and allows for a more complete picture of the patients medical history.

Click [here](#) to read the full story.

HealthlinkNY's Western Office Moves into a New Location in Downtown Binghamton, NY

HealthlinkNY's western office located in Binghamton, NY is moving from its location at 45 Lewis Street to a larger building located on 49 Court Street.

HealthlinkNY's Binghamton office has 20 members on its team. The move will take place on July 30-31st and the staff's first day in the new office will be on August 3rd. The lobby of the new office will be open to the public for various events throughout the year. There will also be opportunities for participating organizations to host community outreach campaigns out of the new office.



Read the full story [here](#).

Around the HealthlinkNY HIE...

"As we serve more and more patients, the Health Information Exchange (HIE) will help our staff work more efficiently and accurately. It will also give our patients more control of their health by giving them simplified and secure access to their

medical records."

-Virna Little

Senior VP Psychosocial Services & Community Affairs
Institute for Family Health

"The Health Information Exchange (HIE) has been invaluable in many ways, particularly when I was practicing in urgent care...In terms of college students coming into the area, their primary care physician is probably in another area..."

-Dr. Wayne Teris

Physician Advisor
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital

HealthlinkNY Attends July Fest in Binghamton

HealthlinkNY spent the weekend of July 10-12 at JulyFest in downtown Binghamton. The street festival was a great opportunity for the HealthlinkNY team to reach members of the community and explain the importance of giving consent at their next visit with their doctor.

We really enjoyed being able to talk to those who can truly benefit from the HealthlinkNY Health Information Exchange.

To stay updated with HealthlinkNY in your community follow us on [Facebook](#).



Upcoming HealthlinkNY Events

HealthlinkNY will be showcasing the Health Information Exchange at booths at the following events throughout the summer. Make sure to mark your calendars to stop in to visit us!

Hudson Valley Events

- **Insane Inflatable 5K**, Dutchess County Fairgrounds 8/1
- **Yonkers Riverfest**, Yonkers Waterfront, 9/12
- **Walk to End Alzheimer's 5K**, White Plains, 10/4

Southern Tier Events

- **Spiedie Fest**, Booth with Broome County Health Department, Otsiningo Park, 7/31-8/2
- **Chris Thater Memorial Race**, Downtown Binghamton, 8/22-8/23
- **Dick's Sporting Goods Open**, Endicott, NY, 8/24-8/30



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