



# One Voice, One Vision: Transforming Health

## Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of National Health IT Week

Many of us may have encountered a medical situation where a family member or loved one's life was saved by early detection, new drugs, or a new procedure. Contrary to these more obvious technological medical advances, health IT is quietly advancing medicine. Health IT—specifically electronic health records (EHRs)—improve the quality of healthcare delivery, increase patient safety, decrease medical errors, and strengthen the interaction between patients and healthcare providers.

National Health IT Week is a collaborative forum and virtual awareness week that assembles key healthcare constituents dedicated to working together to elevate the necessity of advancing health through the best use of information technology.

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Sharing your voice with Congress will help shape health IT policy. Join HIMSS in supporting congressional actions to synchronize national efforts to advance secure, widespread health information exchange and to encourage use of broader types of technologies to improve access and quality, and reduce cost.

HIMSS Congressional asks for 2015 will garner support for:

- Robust interoperability and health information exchange
- Healthcare's efforts to combat cyber threats
- Expanded access to telehealth services for Medicare beneficiaries

The HIMSS Legislative Action Center offers an easy way to contact our Congressional delegation and ask for their support: <http://cqrcengage.com/himss/app/write-a-letter?3&engagementId=134673>