

Workshop Overview:

This workshop kicks off with selected vendor presentations as a part of the Alaska EHR Alliance's vendor selection process. The ensuing two-days consist of practical, vendor-neutral presentations by experts who will share their perspectives on EHR system evaluation, selection, budgeting, and implementation. As well, invited HIT / EHR exhibitors will be available throughout the workshop.

Workshop Objectives:

This workshop will help participants to:

- Identify key activities during the vendor search and selection process and learn key negotiation techniques;
- Understand the full spectrum of costs associated with EHR implementation;
- Understand various implementation approaches, workflow design, and training methodologies, including process mapping and readiness evaluations;
- Discover key characteristics of a physician champion and the importance of clinical leadership for EHR success;
- Determine HIPAA security, privacy and compliance implications of EHRs and proactive ways to address them;
- Be familiar with the implications of the ARRA and HITECH federal legislation with respect to EHR adoption;
- Learn from the valuable experiences of physicians, hospitals, and clinics in Alaska who have blazed the EHR trail ahead of you

Workshop Target Audience:

Health care facilities meeting the following criteria are invited:

- HRSA-funded grantees from Region X
- Hospitals, clinics, or physicians' offices in Alaska planning to implement an EHR system in the next 6-12 months
- Those facilities that are a part of a new or existing EHR network, or planning to join a network

Hotel Information:

A small block of rooms has been reserved for attendees at the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel. Prices range from \$99 - \$129/night, plus tax for double occupancy. Reservations can be made by calling the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel at: 800-325-3535 and referencing "HRSA." The room block will be held **ONLY** until September 11, 2009.

Registration:

Registration for this workshop will be limited because workshop sponsors are focused on assisting those health care facilities committed to meeting the federal 2011 provisions of the ARRA.

To view the full workshop agenda and register, see the information posted on-line at the following websites:

- Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association: <http://www.ashnha.com> and <http://www.ashpin.org>
- Alaska State Medical Association: <http://www.aksma.org/>
- Alaska Primary Care Association: <http://www.alaskapca.org>
- State of Alaska, DHSS: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/healthplanning/ruralhealth/default.htm>
- Alaska EHR Alliance: <http://www.aehra.org/>
- Alaska e-Health Network: <http://www.ak-ehealth.com/>