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Healthcare's Leading Marketing & Physician Strategies Summit

HMPS builds on a 30-year legacy of identifying the ever-evolving opportunities and challenges in healthcare. As expectations rise and resources tighten, the Summit brings together a community of senior-level executives to connect with peers and share actionable strategies and solutions that drive results.

Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to invite you to the 31st Annual Healthcare Marketing & Physician Strategies Summit (HMPS26).

HMPS26 will bring together marketing, communications, digital, experience, strategy, and physician relations executives to share real-world examples and candid lessons on timely topics such as trust, growth, access, data, and organizational alignment.

We'll take a deep dive into the complexities you face every day, from soaring expectations, shrinking resources, and unmatched challenges caused by constant change.

Importantly, we will move beyond tactics and tools to address leadership priorities and internal and external stressors including cross-functional alignment, measurement and accountability, governance, and the organizational choices that enable teams to deliver consistent, credible results.

Beyond the content and case studies, you'll have the opportunity to interact with executives from across the country who are navigating similar challenges. We are confident you will leave with fresh perspectives and ideas you can apply immediately.

We hope to see you there.

Summit Co-Chairs



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Who Should Attend

HMPS26 is designed for healthcare leaders responsible for marketing, communications, digital strategy, experience, physician relations, and growth across hospitals, health systems, academic medical centers, integrated networks, and medical groups, including:

- Marketing and Brand Executives
- Communications and Public Relations Executives
- Digital, Web, and Experience Executives
- Strategy and Business Development Executives
- Physician Relations and Referral Executives
- Data, Insights, and Performance Executives
- Agency and Industry Executives



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Special Strategy Sessions

Sunday, May 3 | 3:00 – 5:00p

Open to all attendees; no additional fee.

From Proving Value to Driving Strategy: The New Mandate for Healthcare Marketing Executives

Sponsored by Digital Health Strategies

Healthcare marketing executives face pressure to prove financial impact and influence strategy and growth. Strategy executives confront access constraints, margin pressure, and rising expectations around data and AI. Are marketing and strategy aligned on what growth now requires? Drawing on National Benchmarking Research, Jim Blazar and David A. Feinberg explore the forces reshaping marketing and strategy. Then, join your colleagues for a candid discussion on what it will take to move marketing from defending value to shaping growth in the Intelligent Age.



Jim Blazar, Advisory Board, Digital Health Strategies
David A. Feinberg, Mount Sinai Health System



Andrew Chang, UChicago Medicine
Suzanne Hendery, Renown Health
Hernando Ruiz-Jimenez, Geisinger
Don Stanziano, Banner Health
Chris Boyer, @chrisboyer LLC

Monday, May 4 | 8:00 – 9:30a

Pre-Summit Strategy Workshops

Separate conference registration fees apply to the Pre-Summit Strategy Workshops. Please check the Registration Form for details.

Building Smarter Content: Hands-on Strategy for Healthcare Marketers

Marketers face relentless content demands, making reuse and snackable formats essential. Learn how to move from static content to a modular approach using structured content, AI, and automation to streamline production, scale messaging, boost consistency, and create a clear road map.



Ahava Leibtag, Founder & CEO, Aha Media Group

Fix Your Framework: Strategic Brand Architecture

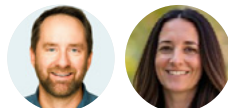
Brand portfolios can get messy fast. Learn how to assess your brand architecture and apply practical tools to make clear, defensible decisions. Work through real scenarios, templates, and modeling tools to align brand structure with growth, operations, and culture.



Heather Baillie, Senior Director, Strategy and
Dave Middendorf, Executive Director, Health, Care & Wellness, Monigle

AI as Infrastructure: Scaling What Works

Many teams are experimenting with AI, but experimentation and systemization are two very different things. This hands-on workshop bridges that gap. After a brief look at how AI is evolving across platforms like Epic, CRM, and marketing automation, you'll get to work—running a real experiment and taking the first steps toward scaling it. Leave with something built, a roadmap started, and clarity for the Summit ahead.



Matt Cyr, Founder & President, LoopAI Consulting
Teri Sun, Chief Strategy Officer, White Rhino

Winning in the Age of AI Search

AI answer engines are reshaping how patients find care. Learn how to structure and govern healthcare content for visibility and trust across classic search and AI interfaces, apply schema markup and credibility signals, and connect visibility metrics to appointments and conversions.



Martha van Berkel, CEO, Schema App

Elevate the Referral Journey

What if you could see the entire referral journey—every touchpoint, handoff, or breakdown that shapes repeat referrals? Learn how to map clinical, operational, and communication pathways to uncover gaps and co-design solutions that build trust, reduce loss, and accelerate growth.




Ann De Los Santos, VP, Strategic Growth, Access & Physician Relationships, Trinity Health

Anamika Desai, Network Director, Provider Relations & Network Integrity, Hackensack Meridian Health

Susan Boydell, Partner, Barlow/McCarthy



Let's Talk Sessions

Look for the  that identifies facilitated sessions designed for interactive dialogue!

STRATEGIC MARKETING

Sponsored by Huron

9:45 – 10:35a

From Marketer to Enterprise Leader

Today's CMOs must master new skills to stay relevant, including spotting gaps, building trust, and driving system-wide change. Hear how senior executives are expanding their influence across the enterprise, building credibility with the C-suite, and shaping system-wide strategy.

Andrew Snyder, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
Orlando Health

Karen Wish, Chief Marketing Officer, Strategic Communications
Mount Sinai Health System

Jhaymee Tynan, Principal, Healthcare Services
Korn Ferry

10:50 – 11:40a

Lean Teams. Tight Budgets. Big Impact.

Healthcare marketers are under pressure to deliver results with fewer resources. Hear from leaders who are rethinking priorities, streamlining efforts, and building cross-functional partnerships to maximize impact and ROI in a time of constraints.

Mark Bohan, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer, Mass General Brigham

Alan Shoebridge, Associate VP, National Communication, Providence

Kathy Smith SVP, Chief Marketing Officer, Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center

Rose Glenn (Facilitator), President, Rose Glenn & Associates



COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

Sponsored by Jarrard

From Communications Audit to Action

Internal communications play a growing role in organizational alignment, engagement, and performance. Examine a strategic roadmap for elevating internal communications, moving from an external audit to a best-in-class framework. Learn how data, benchmarking, and creativity combined to strengthen practices, engage employees, and support organizational performance.

Wendy Piñero-DePencier, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer and

Alison Zurcher, Director, Internal Communications
Seattle Children's Hospital

Marketing, Cultural Insight & Your Brand

Patients and families share care experiences across digital spaces, often revealing concerns surveys miss. Learn how Roper St. Francis uses digital ethnography and cultural insight to identify emerging themes, build trust in diverse communities, and apply insights to brand strategy and experience improvement.

Krista Robertson, Executive Director of Digital Strategy
Roper St. Francis Healthcare

Dean Browell, Chief Behavioral Officer
Feedback

DIGITAL STRATEGIES

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New Rules of Privacy-First Marketing

In 2022, new HHS guidance triggered a "HIPAA-calyse," forcing health systems to strip pixels and operate with limited analytics. Today, privacy-first tracking, CDPs, and consent-based architectures are restoring visibility and enabling compliant attribution. Learn how organizations are rebuilding performance insight and redefining digital growth strategy.

Vanessa Hill
VP, Marketing, Brand & Digital Strategy
Beth Israel Lahey Health

Jessica Holton
Co-Founder
Ours Privacy

From Call Center to Access Engine

When access falters, reputation and growth suffer. Data-driven redesign of workforce, workflows, and tech turns the contact center into a growth channel—lower cost per contact, fewer abandons, higher first-contact resolution, and more leads converted to booked appointments—earning the executive support to scale what works. Hear how.

Pamela Landis, SVP, Digital Engagement
Hackensack Meridian Health

Kelly Faley, Principal
Kelly Faley Consulting

A.J. Melaragno, President/Founder
Singola Consulting, LLC

11:40a – 1:00p From Hype to Hard ROI: The Intelligent Health Revolution, One Year Later Tom Lawry **Sponsored by Unlock Health**

1:15 – 2:05p

REAL Marketing ROI: Deliver on True Incremental ROI

Healthcare marketers face growing pressure to prove ROI, yet most attribution models fall short. Learn how UChicago Medicine built a marketing ROI dashboard using control groups to measure true incremental revenue and volume. With Finance and Faculty buy-in, their approach delivers credible, enterprise-level proof of marketing's impact, and sets a new standard for demonstrating value to leadership.

Andrew Chang, Chief Marketing Officer and
Blaze DiStefano, Executive Director,
Performance Marketing
UChicago Medicine

2:55 – 3:45p

AI in the Exam Room: What Patients Expect

As AI becomes more embedded in clinical care, patients are forming opinions about its role in diagnosis, decision support, and the care journey. Drawing on new consumer research exploring perceptions of AI in healthcare, hear what builds trust, transparency, and comfort when communicating about the role of AI in care.

Katie Cunningham
Director, Marketing & Brand Strategy
University of Iowa Health Care

Cori Ahrens
VP, Client Experience
Unlock Health

Beyond Awareness: Building Relevance with Gen Z & Millennials

Gen Z and Millennials expect on-demand access, transparent communication, and brands that reflect their values. Learn how leading systems reframe positioning, modernize their channel mix (creators, communities, search), and design values-based engagement that builds trust, drives utilization, and strengthens long-term loyalty.

Michele Murphy Taber, Director of Brand Management & Marketing
UC Davis Health

Stephanie Barkow, SVP, Research & Brand Strategy and

Camille Strickland, SVP, BVK

Beyond the Digital Front Door: Governing Patient-Facing AI in a Post-Website World

As patients increasingly rely on AI for guidance, health systems face new questions of accountability, influence, and risk. Examine the strategic and governance implications of patient-facing AI, focusing on trust, responsibility, and decision-making rather than the tools themselves.

Alan Shoebridge, Associate VP, National Communication, Providence

John Berndt, SVP, Valtech Health

Chris Boyer, Digital Health Strategist,
@chrisboyer LLC

Teri Sun, Chief Strategy Officer,
White Rhino



Generating Leads Is Working. The Growth Engine Isn't.

Most health systems can prove marketing generates leads. Far fewer can prove it generates margin. The gap between a click and completed care is where profitable growth is lost. Learn how Geisinger aligns marketing and care operations to measure bottom-of-funnel conversion by service line, channel, and audience, and apply a practical framework to close costly leakage.

Daniel Lavelle, VP, System Marketing
Geisinger

Nicole Kurz, SVP, Patient Activation
Digital Health Strategies

4:00 – 5:15p



Patient Experience in the AI Era: Fireside Chat **Sponsored by MERGE**

AI is reshaping how health systems communicate with patients and consumers, raising new opportunities and new risks across the patient journey. Safety, empathy, and human-centered design are essential to responsible AI-enabled communication. Hear perspectives from patient experience guru, **Bridget Duffy, MD**; consumer-focused AI design expert, **Aaron Patzer**; human factors and patient safety scientist, **Raj Ratwani, PhD**; and digital solutions expert, **Keir Bradshaw**.

AI & INTELLIGENT INNOVATION

Sponsored by BPD Healthcare

9:45 – 10:35a

Content, Voice, & Search in the AI Era

AI is reshaping how healthcare content is created, managed, and discovered. Go beyond prompts to see how health systems use GenAI to draft at scale, speed content audits, optimize for AI-driven search, and protect brand voice and trust. Learn how teams are setting governance, redefining roles, and aligning human and AI content for performance.

Nardeep Singh, Marketing Technology Manager
Renown Health

Emilie Ansel, CEO
Private Health News

Diane Hammons, Director of Digital Engagement
WG Content

10:50 – 11:40a

Earning Trust in an Era of Mistrust: Marketing, AI & Brand Transformation

Trust is harder than ever to earn, yet it's essential for healthcare growth. Community Health Network's marketing and brand transformation boosted Google star ratings by 43%, amplified patient voices by 300%, and drove thousands of new appointments. Learn how AI and new listening strategies are redefining trust.

Brian Gresh, VP, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
Community Health Network

Sarah Gilstrap
VP, Solution Strategy,
Qualtrics

ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES

Sponsored by Doximity

Smart Segmentation: Insights That Move Patients to Action

Health systems are shifting from generic outreach to strategies tailored to real patient behavior. See how Loma Linda University Health used segmented insights to refine wellness campaigns and improve response. Learn how targeted messaging, channel strategy, and behavioral understanding can be applied across service lines to drive engagement and ROI.

Jessica Berto, Executive Director, Healthcare Marketing
Loma Linda University Health

Michelle Gray, Senior Account Director
LionShare

Beyond Book Now: The Realities of Online Scheduling

Online scheduling sounds simple, but health systems know it's not. Fragmented provider data, specialty rules, and complex workflows make "book now" hard to deliver. Hear how MUSC addressed data, governance, and provider engagement to launch scheduling at scale and earn clinical trust.

Crystal Broj
Chief Digital Transformation Officer
Medical University of South Carolina

Tim Collins
Head of Customer Strategy
DexCare

STRATEGIC ISSUES

Sponsored by Playbook for Health

Building Strength Together: Partnerships That Deliver

Health systems are increasingly turning to partnerships and affiliations to strengthen resilience, expand reach, and support long-term growth. Learn how to evaluate opportunities, structure agreements, and turn collaborations into measurable gains in access, specialty care, and long-term stability.

Chris Papayannis, VP Advisory
Realty Trust Group

Brett Wares, VP, Strategy & Service Lines
AdventHealth-North Carolina

Judit Tejada (*Facilitator*), Director, Strategic,
Market & Consumer Insights
Moffitt Cancer Center

Co-Branding Lessons from JVs & Affiliations

Without marketing input, health system affiliations can create brand chaos. Learn how to shape co-branding strategy, avoid common pitfalls, and protect brand standards while honoring the right brand promise.

Rebecca Priest, Senior Director of Marketing
Michigan Medicine

Sarah Sanders, EVP, Chief Marketing Officer
Baptist Health Jacksonville

David Simpkins, EVP, Chief Marketing,
Communications & Community Affairs Officer
Rochester Regional Health

Christine Woolsey (*Facilitator*), Chief
Communications & Marketing Officer
Michigan Medicine

PHYSICIAN RELATIONS

Sponsored by Wolters Kluwer

From Broadcast to Intent: Rethinking Physician Engagement for Referral Growth

UF Health Shands is evolving its approach to physician engagement, shifting from broad outreach to more targeted, intent-based strategies. Learn how service lines are prioritized, how data informs engagement, and how trust and clinical credibility shape outreach. Gain practical insight into building more focused, scalable physician marketing programs aligned with growth strategy.

John Berg, Assistant VP, Marketing
UF Health

Stacy Compy, Sr. Director, Strategy & Operations
IQVIA

Measuring Physician Relations Impact & ROI

Leaders want more than relationship updates. They want evidence. Learn practical ways to capture liaison impact across the full referral journey, quantify contributions to growth and access, and design reports that clearly demonstrate results. See how to position physician relations as an essential driver of organizational performance and investment.

Karen Insignares-Garcia
Associate VP, Physician & Provider Relations **and**

Lindsay Konz
Director, Business Operations
University of Miami/UHealth

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AI-Ready Patient Search: Beyond SEO

The search experience is often the first step in a patient's care journey, and AI is changing how results appear. Learn what drives visibility now: trusted provider, location, and service data; scalable listings; AI-ready content; and a friction-free find-care flow. Hear how zero-click experiences reshape success.

Chris Pace, VP of Healthcare Industry Search
Stax

Sujal Raju, CEO, Enqbar

Martha van Berkel, CEO, Schema App

Daniel Fell (*Facilitator*)
Health Systems Practice Lead
Unlock Health

Digital Connective Tissue: Suturing the Digital Experience

Piedmont Healthcare reimaged Piedmont.org from a traditional website into a personalized health hub. Grounded in patient research, the team connected the public site and MyChart using single sign-on to surface relevant health information while preserving secure workflows. Learn how a headless CMS and shared design system power a unified digital front door.

Liz Dinnsen, Director, Digital Patient Experience
Piedmont Healthcare

Keir Bradshaw, EVP, Solutions
MERGE

Metrics That Matter: Connecting Brand, Experience, Trust & Loyalty

Brand sets expectations. Experience delivers on the promise. When marketing, experience, and operations are not aligned, trust erodes. With growing pressure to prove value, measurement matters more than ever. Learn how INTEGRIS Health links brand and experience metrics to trust, loyalty, and growth—and which measures move executive leaders to act.

Tania Warnock, Director of Marketing
INTEGRIS Health

Michelle Silva, Strategic Advisor, Consumer Experience
NRC Health

Talent as Strategy: Building High-Performing Teams

High-performing physician relations programs don't happen by chance. They are built intentionally. In today's demanding environment, even top talent can struggle without clear expectations, the right structure, and consistent support. Learn how to build high-performing teams that deliver sustained results and long-term impact.

Josie Aguirre, Sr. Administrative Director, Office of Physician Relations & Outreach
Michigan Medicine

Laurel Hopkins, Region VP, Market Development & Sales, Northwest Region
CommonSpirit Health

2:55 – 3:45p

AI in Action: Product Strategy Lessons

AI is shifting from experimentation to execution. Join your colleagues as they share practical lessons from applying AI across marketing, operations, and patient engagement, with insights on alignment, scale, and measurable results.

John Davey, VP, Marketing Technology
Mount Sinai Health System

Travis Waters, Director, Digital Experience & Analytics
Vanderbilt Health

Aaron Watkins, AVP Digital Strategy
NorthBay Health

Bryce Cannon (*Facilitator*), President, Modea

Reaching Communities: Access, Equity & Connection

Healthcare organizations are rethinking how to reach rural and underserved communities and support access for vulnerable populations. Learn how to partner locally, modernize outreach, and apply community insights to improve access, equity, and engagement while supporting population health goals.

Kathryn Barker, Community Health Manager
Intermountain Health

Molly Luton, Chief Strategic Communications Officer,
Ballad Health

Larissa Town, Strategic Account Director
Reason One

From Data to Decisions

Predictive modeling is evolving from targeting to shaping growth strategy. Learn how to use predictive insights to prioritize service lines, focus resources, and guide investment decisions. Explore how to connect analytics to business objectives and translate data into action that drives measurable results.

Mike Julian, Director, Consumer Data & Audience Partnerships
Definitive Healthcare

Gary Stubblefield, SVP, Healthcare Practice Lead
Amsive Health

Blair Primis, Chief Growth Officer
OrthoCarolina

AI in Physician Relations: From Workflows to Growth

AI is reshaping how physician relations teams work, streamlining liaison workflows while enabling smarter strategies to anticipate referral shifts, strengthen engagement, and align outreach with growth goals. Examine where AI delivers real value today, where limitations remain, and how to apply it responsibly in physician engagement.

Brad Jones, Executive Director, Physician & EMS Relations
AdventHealth

Samar Shakoor, Director, Physician Relations
Stanford Medicine Children's Health

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STRATEGIC MARKETING
Sponsored by Huron

10:15 – 11:15a

An Innovation Framework for Future-Proofing Marketing

Mass General Brigham is reimagining marketing through an Innovation Framework that balances today's needs with future opportunity. Learn how the team tested GenAI search, creative development, and AI agents while improving workflows and resource management. Examine how to apply the three-box model, measure ROI, and build an AI-powered roadmap.

Mark Bohan, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer **and**
Julia Sorensen, VP, Marketing
Mass General Brigham

11:30a – 12:30p

Data-Enabled Growth

Powers Health and OU Health, at different stages of CRM maturity, show how data and AI strengthen patient engagement, streamline campaigns, and prove ROI. Examine the building blocks, the accelerators (AI for targeting and ops), and the scorecard that scales from starter to advanced programs. Learn how to take the next step in digital transformation.

Mary Fetsch, Director, Marketing & Corporate Communications, Powers Health
Heather Linder, VP, Brand & Growth Marketing
OU Health
Leah McCanna, Principal, Huron

2:00 – 3:00p

Brand as a Systemwide Strategy

Leading healthcare systems use brand as the framework for organizational strategy. Explore how brand promise and brand architecture guide decisions across service lines, digital, access, and workforce culture. Learn practical models for governance and alignment that reduce fragmentation, strengthen experience, and support enterprise growth.

Don Stanziano, SVP/Chief Marketing Officer
Banner Health
Ryan Younger, VP, Marketing
Virtua Health
Ryan Donohue, CEO
Golden Advisory

3:45 – 4:45p

True Confessions of Marketing Fails & Fixes

Every marketer has a cringe-worthy story. Your colleagues share major campaign missteps, what went wrong, and how smart recoveries turned failure into sharper thinking, better strategy, and stronger ideas.

David A. Feinberg, SVP, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
Mount Sinai Health System
Dorian Harriston, SVP, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
Morehouse School of Medicine
Chris Scott, SVP & Chief Marketing Officer
Virtua Health
Alexa Warner, VP, Marketing & Brand Strategy
Bon Secours Mercy Health

COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES
Sponsored by Jarrard

Issue Readiness & Response

Amid fast-moving misinformation, leaders must separate emerging issues from true crises and maintain a steady, credible voice. Explore frameworks for readiness, guardrails, leadership alignment, message discipline, and team resilience to sustain trust through prolonged challenges.

David A. Feinberg, SVP, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer
Mount Sinai Health System
Joni James, VP, System Communications
BayCare Health System
Christine Woolsey, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer, Michigan Medicine
James Cervantes (*Facilitator*), Partner, Jarrard

Reputation as a Strategic Asset

UNC Health applied advanced research and modeling to understand how reputation influences consumer choice, talent, and trust. Learn how key drivers informed communications, brand, and workforce strategy, positioning reputation as a business differentiator.

Sam Hofstetter, Director, MarComm Strategic Initiatives & Consumer Insights **and**
Victor Reiss, Interim Chief Communications & Marketing Officer
UNC Health
Katie Sprehe, Senior Director
APCO Worldwide

The CEO Communications Playbook

Today's CEOs must communicate with clarity, credibility, and trust. This off-the-record conversation explores how CEOs find their voice, navigate tough issues, and build confidence across internal and external audiences.

Jennifer Gilkie, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer, Dartmouth Health
Beth Toal, SVP, Chief Communications Officer
St. Luke's Health System
Charmaine Weis, System VP, Marketing & Communications, Hospital Sisters Health System
Susan Alcorn (*Facilitator*), Partner
ALCORN+DEAN Strategic Communications

Confronting Violence in Healthcare Settings

Violence against healthcare workers is rising nationwide. Hear how a community-facing approach sets expectations for behavior, elevates frontline staff, and reinforces a clear message of respect and safety, with practical lessons health systems of any size can apply.

Elizabeth Baker, Executive Director, System Marketing, Indiana University Health
William "Skip" Hidlay, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer, The Ohio State University
Wexner Medical Center
Jane Winslow, Executive Director, Communications & Philanthropy, Astria Health
Jeanette Geer (*Facilitator*), Sr. Director, Healthcare Partnerships & Strategy, Spectrum Reach

DIGITAL STRATEGIES
Sponsored by Digital Health Strategies

Unified Data to Full-Funnel Growth

Healthcare organizations often struggle to connect data investments to measurable growth. Examine a crawl-walk-run roadmap for unifying marketing, EHR, CRM, and operational data and how that foundation enables full-funnel conversion tracking, from awareness through scheduled care. Learn how to prioritize quick wins and translate data into actionable insight, attribution, and ROI.

Eric Steinberger, Chief Marketing Officer
Atlantic Health
Ben Seyden, VP, Healthcare Strategy
Salesforce
Chris Widmayer, CEO
Penrod Destinations

From Core Systems to Measurable Growth

Epic now sits at the center of healthcare data, access, and engagement, with growing implications for marketing. Learn how Bayhealth is using Epic to support marketing automation, improve measurement, and connect campaigns to service-line growth. Hear what's possible, what's not, and how close marketing-IT collaboration enabled meaningful progress.

Amanda Bowie, VP, Marketing, Communications & Community Outreach
Bayhealth
Jenny Bristow, CEO
Hedy & Hopp

Solving the Health System Capacity Problem

Access problems aren't just about supply, but also mis-booked demand. Using multi-year outpatient data, see how patient-friendly qualification and self-triage can redirect intent, protect provider calendars, and recover revenue. Learn what drives wrong-slot bookings, how to reroute patients effectively and how to align medical groups around the model.

Jeremy Rogers, VP, Digital Marketing & Experience
Indiana University Health
Bilal Naved, Chief Product Officer, Clearstep

The Modern Digital Team: Organization, Skills & Operating Model

With AI reshaping capabilities and expectations, health systems are rethinking where Digital belongs, which skills matter most, and how leadership roles are evolving. Explore operating models and partnerships driving success.

Mona Baset, VP, Digital Engagement
Intermountain Health
Jeremy Harrison, AVP, Consumer Engagement & Experience
MultiCare Health System
Adrienne Woods, VP, Digital Engagement
Hackensack Meridian Health
Ben Texter, Co-Founder & Co-CEO
Digital Health Strategies

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AI & INTELLIGENT INNOVATION**Sponsored by BPD Healthcare****The AI Dream: Building the Future of Healthcare Marketing & Experience**

AI is redefining how healthcare organizations work, decide, and communicate. Explore how marketing, digital, and communications leaders are moving from experimentation to impact through governance, change management, and cross-functional collaboration.

Kalee Hildreth, Executive Director, Marketing Operations, UChicago Medicine

Jeremy Rogers, VP, Digital Marketing & Experience, Indiana University Health

Stephanie Wierwille, EVP, Strategy & Innovation, BPD Healthcare

ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES**Sponsored by Doximity****Engagement Strategies for Women's Health & Beyond**

Facing declining birth rates and rising competition, Roper St. Francis used women's health to pilot a digital-first service-line strategy that attracts younger consumers and drives volume. See how segmentation, journey insights, and connected campaigns increased appointments and deliveries. Hear how the model can scale across service lines.

Ashley Boggs, Marketing Director, Roper St. Francis Healthcare

Elise Horst, Associate Director, AI Solutions, Fathom, an IQVIA business

STRATEGIC ISSUES**Sponsored by Playbook for Health****Partnerships that Drive Trust, Access & ROI**

When structured and activated well, partnerships can deliver real value. Learn how health systems evaluate opportunities, negotiate smarter deals, and measure ROI to strengthen trust, expand access, and drive patient volume.

Krista Boyer, Manager, Digital Content Strategy - Social **and**

Ara Telbelian, Director, Marketing, Brand Management & Marketing Operations, Henry Ford Health

Kelly Campbell, Regional VP, Marketing & Communications

Virginia Mason Franciscan Health

Michael LaPorta (*Facilitator*), President, Playbook for Health

PHYSICIAN RELATIONS**Sponsored by Wolters Kluwer****Elevating the Field Strategy & Sales Plan**

Physician relations teams recognize the importance of aligning with enterprise strategy, but turning strategy into clear field action is often a challenge. Explore the leader's role in defining internal stakeholders, driving collaborative planning across the organization, and translating system priorities into focused, actionable direction for liaison teams.

Angela Stoltz, Director of Healthcare Professional Relations & Growth, Children's Minnesota

Angela Valchine, SVP, Sales & Marketing, RAYUS Radiology

10:15 – 11:15a

Scaling Patient Engagement with Voice & Chat AI Agents

Intermountain Health and Sutter Health are using agentic AI to automate patient interactions and appointment management while maintaining trust and accuracy. Explore what's ready for automation now, the safeguards required, and how to measure ROI as AI agents scale across voice and chat channels.

Mona Baset, VP, Digital Engagement, Intermountain Health

Steve Chambers, VP, Enterprise Contact Center, Sutter Health

Israel Krush, CEO, Hyro

Building a Grassroots Movement for Experience Change

At UCI Health, experience transformation didn't start with mandates, but with a coalition of committed leaders. Learn how they balanced bold vision with operational reality, gained traction across fragmented teams, and navigated resistance. Explore practical strategies for leading through influence and sustaining experience improvement.

Tara Nooteboom, Director, Consumer Digital Strategy, UCI Health

Dave Middendorf, Executive Director, Health, Care & Wellness, Monigle

The Legal Lab: Turning Privacy into a Marketing Advantage

Healthcare marketers know that privacy isn't just a compliance requirement. It's a foundation of sustainable, high-performing marketing. Hear how healthcare leaders are turning HIPAA, FTC enforcement, and new state privacy laws into a competitive edge. Learn how privacy-first strategies can strengthen trust, boost ROI, and power smarter, compliant marketing.

Jennifer Everett, Partner, Cybersecurity & Technology **and**

Jennifer Pike, Counsel, Alston & Bird

Dave Twichell, Head of Marketing, Freshpaint

Growth Insights from Claims Data

Claims data uncovers referral patterns, leakage, payer mix, and geographic gaps that shape growth and access. Columbus Regional Health paired these insights with local intelligence to guide business development, expand oncology services, and support value-based care—turning analytics into action through reporting, metrics, and measurable results. Examine the approach.

Scott Roberts, Director, Health System Strategy & Business Development, Columbus Regional Health

Justeen McKittrick, VP, Customer Services, Doctivity Health

11:30a – 12:30p

12:30 – 1:45p **Aligning Brand & Patient Experience** Douwe Bergsma, Elizabeth Daugherty & Ryan Donohue **Sponsored by NRC Health****Reviews, AI Search & Results**

As AI reshapes patient search, reviews and clear service-line content are essential. Learn how to boost visibility across AI, map, and search results; publish content at scale; collaborate with clinicians; and track gains in discovery, trust, and conversion with executive-ready scorecards.

Crystal Broj, Chief Digital Transformation Officer, Medical University of South Carolina

Ron Cox, Director, Patient Experience, Johns Hopkins Medicine

Andrew Ibbotson, CEO, Ratings.MD

Video Storytelling in the AI Era

OSU Wexner uses clinician-led video journalism to build trust and influence patient choice. Learn how the team selects service-line stories, tailors video by channel, incorporates AI, and measures impact beyond views—from discovery to booked appointments.

William "Skip" Hidlay, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer **and**

Holly Roby, Sr. Director, Multimedia Content Planning and Strategy

The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center

Lisa Arledge Powell, CEO & Founder, MediaSource

Building Trust Through Population Health

Population health succeeds when technology and communications align. Learn how to use CRM, EMR, and brand strategy to close care gaps, strengthen collaboration, and bring initiatives to life for patients and clinicians, combining data and narrative to build trust.

Carrie Cardot, VP, Marketing Communications, Rochester Regional Health

Daniel Lavelle, VP, System Marketing, Geisinger

Donna Teach, Chief Marketing & Communications Officer, Nationwide Children's Hospital

Linda MacCracken (*Facilitator*), Advisor/Faculty, Ignite Market Advantage/Harvard University

The Modern Physician Liaison Playbook

Health systems are establishing modern standards for how liaisons build trust with physicians, differentiate their organizations clinically, and drive measurable growth. Learn what effective preparation looks like, how to engage with clinical relevance, and how to connect conversations to system priorities and physician pain points.

Lou Massarelli, Lead Physician Relations Partner – Southern Region, Hackensack Meridian Health

Christy Shoemake, Corporate Senior Director of Provider Relations, Community Health Systems

2:00 – 3:00p

The Impact of AI on Healthcare Search

Patients are turning to both search engines and AI tools to find care, but who are they trusting along the way? Drawing on new national research and Mount Sinai's real-world response, this session reveals how discovery is shifting, what it means for health systems, and how to adapt digital and SEO strategies for an AI-driven future.

John Davey, VP, Marketing Technology, Mount Sinai Health System

Rob Klein, Founder & CEO, Klein & Partners

Lacey Reichwald, Director of Marketing, Aha Media Group

From Leakage to Loyalty: Solving the Referral Intelligence Gap

Health systems generate vast amounts of clinical, claims, and market data, but turning it into actionable referral intelligence has often required weeks of manual analysis. Learn how pairing AI-ready data infrastructure with generative AI delivers real-time insights to accelerate referral strategy and act on opportunities before they go stale.

Don Stanziano, SVP/Chief Marketing Officer, Banner Health

Ryan Leurck, Chief Analytics Officer, Kythera Labs

Smart Scaling: Build vs. Buy in 2026

Shrinking budgets and rising expectations are forcing marketing, communications, and digital teams to rethink what to build internally and what to outsource. Hear how to evaluate capabilities, partners, and AI to find the right mix of talent, automation, and external expertise.

Cristal Woodley, VP, Marketing & Communications, Renown Health

Dean Browell, Chief Behavioral Officer, Feedback

Mindy Grantham, Director of Oncology Marketing, Target Continuum

Laila Waggoner (*Facilitator*), Chief Dot Connector, Strategy for Hire

Find Your Niche, Grow Your Impact

Broad service line messaging often gets overlooked in competitive markets. Niche strategies provide clarity and give physicians concrete reasons to refer. Learn how to identify high value niches, define the opportunity, and prepare liaisons for more targeted, clinically-informed conversations. Gain approaches that help field teams show up with the focus and confidence needed to drive meaningful referral growth.

Ryan Alley, VP, Physician Outreach, Action Behavior Centers

Benton Lyons, Sr. Director of Business Development, University of Utah Health

3:45 – 4:45p

4:45 – 6:00p **RECEPTION IN THE EXHIBIT HALL** **Sponsored by Optimizely**

8:00 – 9:15a



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Jake Poore, President & Chief Experience Officer, Integrated Loyalty Systems

STRATEGIC MARKETING

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9:30 – 10:30a

Fueling the Growth Engine: Turning Referrals & Marketing Intelligence into Patient Access

Nicklaus Children's Health System rebuilt patient volume by combining referral reinvention with a consumer-first, data-driven marketing strategy. Learn how uniting physician engagement with B2C analytics accelerated patient acquisition, strengthened high-value growth, and proved marketing's impact to senior leadership.

Kevin Snyder, SVP, Chief Marketing, Communications & Brand Officer
Nicklaus Children's Health System
Patrick Soto, Managing Partner/COO
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Aligning Brand, Service Lines & Performance

Healthcare marketers face three competing demands: proving performance to leadership, driving service-line growth, and sustaining a strong brand. Learn how an insight-led operating model with centralized performance visibility can accelerate priority service lines while strengthening trust and accountability. Move beyond fragmented reporting to a single source of truth that supports both brand and growth.

Jess O'Brien, Director, Marketing & Communications
Beaufort Memorial Hospital
Jane Crosby, EVP, Strategy & Business Development
True North

DIGITAL STRATEGIES

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Provider Profiles, Access & Conversion

Provider profiles are no longer just marketing content—they are access infrastructure. Learn how Tufts Medical Center rebuilt provider profiles to improve accuracy, integrate scheduling, and reduce friction across the find-care journey. See what operational changes mattered most, how marketing partnered with access and IT teams, and how cleaner provider data improved discovery and appointment conversion.

Susie (Germer) Gilkey, Senior Director, Marketing & Digital Strategy
Tufts Medicine
Kyle Kilpatrick, VP, Enterprise Healthcare
Yext
Marshall Schoenthal, Industry Principal, Healthcare
Phase2

10:45 – 11:45a

Leveraging Intelligence for Smarter Strategic Marketing

Stanford Health Care's insights team unifies business intelligence, campaign performance, and market data to align marketing with enterprise priorities and deliver measurable impact. Learn how they triage requests into clear goals and use competitive analysis, capacity planning, and journey mapping to identify proactive marketing opportunities.

Tracy Ireland, Director, Marketing Performance Reporting
Rosie Reebel, Director, Marketing Insights
Stanford Health Care

Making Brand Trust Measurable & Actionable

Brand trust shapes growth, loyalty, and reputation, yet few organizations measure it in ways leaders can act on. Hear how The University of Kansas Health System is approaching brand trust as a measurable leadership priority and using deeper insight to inform strategy, alignment, and investment.

Laura McCarthy, VP, Public & Community Relations
The University of Kansas Health System
Art Angel, Founder & CEO
E2A Partners

Why Healthcare Martech Fails & How to Fix It

Martech tools can deliver real value for healthcare organizations, but unclear ownership, weak governance, and operating models that don't match day-to-day workflows can create challenges. Examine a framework for aligning Martech with growth, access, and analytics. Learn how to build Epic-aligned environments that reduce complexity and facilitate Martech performance across the enterprise.

Aaron Watkins, AVP Digital Strategy
NorthBay Health
Tom Brand, Founding Partner
HealthStack Partners

Transformative Keynote Sessions

Special Strategy Session

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Sunday, May 3, 3:00 – 5:00

The New Mandate for Healthcare Marketing Leaders

Join a peer-level discussion on how data, analytics, and AI are informing new leadership frameworks, from identifying unmet needs to ensuring recommended care is scheduled and completed, grounded in real-world examples and new bench-marking insights.

Luncheon Keynote

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Monday, May 4, 11:40a – 1:00p

From Hype to Hard ROI: The Intelligent Health Revolution, One Year Later

Given the speed of AI's impact, and following his eye-opening HMPS25 keynote, **Tom Lawry** returns with a 1-year update on what's real. Hear how leading systems are moving from pilots to hard ROI—and what pitfalls to avoid—while transforming how care is delivered, marketed, and communicated.

Luncheon Keynote

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Tuesday, May 5, 12:30 – 1:45p

Promise to Practice: Aligning Brand & Patient Experience

Join **Douwe Bergsma** and **Elizabeth Daugherty** of Piedmont Healthcare in a Fireside Chat moderated by **Ryan Donohue**. Explore how cross-industry insights shaped Piedmont's patient experience strategy—and how aligning experience, operations, and marketing brings the brand promise to life.

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AI & INTELLIGENT INNOVATION

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9:30 – 10:30a

AI-Moderated Patient Studies

Ochsner Health paired AI with advanced interviewing techniques to deliver rich, nuanced consumer perspectives at scale, with outcomes comparable to traditional human-moderated studies. Learn where AI fits in your research mix, how to implement responsibly (sampling, prompts, bias, privacy), and how to integrate results into existing market research workflows.

Christine Lambert

Consumer Insights Manager
Ochsner Health

Kristy Roldan

VP of Growth
MDRG

ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES

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From Coaching to Confidence: Turning Experience into Brand Trust

CommonSpirit Health embedded frontline coaches to strengthen patient experience skills, driving measurable gains in engagement, retention, and satisfaction. Learn how the model reinforced the brand promise and built trust. Explore the coaching approach, change enablers, and scorecards that translate operational wins into compelling stories for patients, staff, and communities.

Aubrey Rockwood

Market Director of Patient Experience
CommonSpirit Health

Kris Baird

President/CEO
Baird Group

PHYSICIAN RELATIONS

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Driving Referral Growth Through Field Excellence & Accountability

Sustained referral growth comes from focused field execution, clear accountability, and reporting that shows impact. Explore proven ways to prioritize visits, conduct high-value conversations, and influence referral behavior. Leave with tools to assess field performance and link liaison activity to growth outcomes leaders value.

Garth Reimann

Manager, Physician Relations
AdventHealth West Florida

Tricia Anderson, Senior Consultant

Barlow/McCarthy

10:45 – 11:45a

Making AI Work in Patient Engagement

AI-powered engagement depends on data that is accurate, connected, and trusted. Learn how to operationalize AI in a real-world environment by aligning marketing and IT, validating data inputs, and establishing governance guardrails. Gain a framework to move from fragmented data and early experimentation to more connected, measurable engagement that supports access and growth.

Nardeep Singh, Manager of Marketing

Technology
Renown Health

Jim Slavo, Senior Director, Healthcare Strategist

Penrod Destinations

Patient-to-Patient Mentoring Programs: Tapping an Underused Asset

Growth doesn't come only from search and paid media. It also comes from trust. Too often, healthcare's most underused asset is grateful patients. Hear how Michigan Medicine activates a patient-to-patient ecosystem that supports decision-making, strengthens trust, reduces provider burden, and turns human experience into loyalty, measurable growth, and fundraising impact across the organization.

Melissa Cunningham

Senior Volunteer Coordinator
Michigan Medicine

Paul Hoffman

CEO
inTandem Health

Innovations & Priorities for Physician Relations: Let's Talk

After 3 days of HMPS, what's next? Let's talk about AI, leadership engagement, market alignment in tightly integrated or VC-influenced environments, and the evolving physician mindset, with practical insights grounded in real-world experience and peer exchange.

Lindsay Carrillo, Director, Business & Network

Development
UCI Health

Michelle Ilitch, VP, Physician Partnerships

Henry Ford Health

Dina Popper, Director, Physician Relations,

Key Account & Network Development
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2:00–5:00p Registration
3:00–5:00p **Special Strategy Session**

MONDAY, MAY 4

7:00a–5:45p Registration
8:00–9:30a **Pre-Summit Strategy Sessions**
9:45–10:35a **Concurrent Sessions**
10:50–11:40a **Concurrent Sessions**
11:40a–1:00p **Luncheon Keynote**
1:15–2:05p **Concurrent Sessions**
2:05–2:55p Break in the Exhibit Hall
2:55–3:45p **Concurrent Sessions**
4:00–5:15p **General Session**
5:15–6:45p Opening Reception in the Exhibit Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 5

7:00a–4:45p Registration
7:00–7:50a **Sunrise Breakfast**
8:00–9:15a **General Session**
9:15–10:15a Break in the Exhibit Hall
10:15–11:15a **Concurrent Sessions**
11:30a–12:30p **Concurrent Sessions**
12:30–1:45p **Luncheon Keynote**
2:00–3:00p **Concurrent Sessions**
3:00–3:45p Break in the Exhibit Hall
3:45–4:45p **Concurrent Sessions**
4:45–6:00p Reception in the Exhibit Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

7:30a–11:45a Registration
8:00–9:15a **General Session**
9:30–10:30a **Concurrent Sessions**
10:45–11:45a **Concurrent Sessions**
11:45a Summit Adjourns

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