ACCE and HIMSS Recognize Contribution to Interoperability and Health Information Exchange

Monroe Pattillo honored as recipient of 2016 ACCE/HIMSS Excellence in Clinical Engineering and Information Technology Synergies Award Winner

CHICAGO (January 10, 2017) – Monroe Pattillo has been named the recipient of the 2016 ACCE-HIMSS Excellence in Clinical Engineering and Information Technology Synergies Award, a joint award sponsored by the American College of Clinical Engineering (ACCE) and HIMSS. The boards of directors of both organizations selected the recipient.

The award recognizes individuals who have best demonstrated leadership in promoting or implementing significant synergies between the clinical engineering and information technology professions. Award recipients also must be members in good standing of both organizations. Nominees for the award are honored for professional or technical contributions to the professions, such as research, development of a new process or product, a paper of significance, and “trailblazing” work in a new application of clinical engineering and IT.

“We are proud to honor Mr. Pattillo with this award. Mr. Pattillo’s many years of work creating and advancing technology for medical device and information systems interoperability exemplify the award’s goal of recognizing leadership in promoting synergies between the clinical engineering and information management disciplines. Mr. Pattillo’s leadership roles in several IHE Patient Care Device Domain areas has contributed significantly to improving interoperability, and his active roles in IHE North America Connectathons and Interoperability Showcases have allowed him to bring to life his work in front of his clinical engineering and IT colleagues. Mr. Pattillo truly is a deserving recipient of the award,” said Petr Kresta, President, ACCE.

“Monroe’s vast experience with health information exchange, including the development of IHE profiles, makes him a valuable resource for the HIMSS community,” said Carla Smith, MA, FHIMSS, CNM, executive vice president, HIMSS North America. “His unique expertise and collaborative efforts with HIMSS, and other governing bodies in the field of interoperability have helped advance interoperability, patient safety, and medical device integration.”

Pattillo is an independent consultant in healthcare interoperability for alarm/event notification, equipment management, and location services using IHE Profiles. He is a planning committee co-chair for the IHE Patient Care Device Domain, a co-lead of the ACM Working Group, and lead of the Medical Equipment Management Device Management Communication and Location Services Working Group.
As noted in his nomination for the award, technical specifications developed with his leadership have, and will have, direct, significant impacts upon patient care and organizational performance. For example, the PCD domain defines and demonstrates standards-based interoperability and makes medical device development, implementation and management less expensive and faster. It improves patient care by providing more data in a timely fashion, improving efficiency and effectiveness, and reducing transcription and use errors among other benefits.

Pattillo’s leadership of the PCD domain and additional efforts to develop three profiles reflects deep technical knowledge, a commitment to improving patient care through medical device and information technologies, and dedicated time to stay current with profile developments in multiple IHE domains along with a variety of relevant standards organizations.

He has participated in multiple IHE North American Connectathons and HIMSS Interoperability Showcases™ and worked with IHE certification programs for IHE USA, IHE International and ICSA Labs.

Pattillo will be honored at the [Awards Gala](https://www.himss.org) on Tuesday, Feb. 21, during the 2017 HIMSS Conference & Exhibition on Sunday, Feb. 19-23 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Fla. Tickets for the HIMSS17 Awards Gala are available on the [HIMSS17 registration page](https://www.himss.org) or by calling 866.710.0769 for more information.

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globe, plus over 640 corporations and 450 not-for-profit partner organizations, that share this
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offices in the United States, Europe, and Asia.

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interests of clinical engineers. It does this through establishing standards of competence and
promoting excellence in clinical engineering practice, promoting safe and effective application of
science and technology in patient care, defining the body of knowledge on which the profession
is based, and serving as an advocate for the profession.

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