eHealth Week 2016 launches in Amsterdam



eHealth Week 2016 has kicked off in Amsterdam with over 2,000 international experts in IT and healthcare, public institutions, professional and patient organisations taking part.

"The diversity of topics and themes that are being covered at eHealth Week this year in Amsterdam will ensure that every single person attending will take many valuable learnings home with them, many of which they can apply the very next day. Our outstanding speakers will provide fruitful and insightful discussions at every level, which will significantly contribute to the betterment of healthcare through IT amongst our countries, "said Christina Roosen, Vice-President of Public Affairs at HIMSS Europe.

The three-day summit is packed with seminars and round table discussions covering the themes of *Empowering People, Trusts and Standard* and *Social Innovation and Transition*. HealthManagement.org is tweeting from the event.

eHealth Week, now in its sixth edition, is addressing key topics around the development of eHealth in Europe during several educational sessions, with a particular focus on the increasingly important role of the patient.

The Keynote Speech features the views of Edith Schippers, Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport (The Netherlands), Vytenis Andriukaitis, (Commissioner Health and Food Safety European Commission) and Stephen Lieber, (President and CEO, HIMSS).

Additionally Martin van Rijn (State Secretary of Health, Welfare and Sport), Jeroen Tas (CEO Connected Care & Health Informatics, Philips) and Daan Dohmen (CEO Focus Cura) are taking the stage as keynote speakers.

Telemedicine and eMental Health Amongst the Most Anticipated Sessions

Mental health is one of the biggest health challenges of the century worldwide. During the eMental Health session at eHealth Week, a focus will be placed on the online prevention and treatment for enhancement of care mental conditions. Speakers for this session include Katherine Martin Albello, Head of Programme I.COM at Trimbos Institute and Isabela Granic, Professor in Psychopathology at the renowned Radboud University Medical Centre.

In addition, speakers taking part in the 'Telemedicine: connecting primary and secondary care' session will be showcasing the major developments and the latest techniques for telemedicine.

Shared Decision Making: Changing the Relationship Between Health Professionals and Patients

eHealth Week will also focus on how Shared decision making (SDM) -a collaborative process that allows

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patients and their providers to make healthcare decisions together- can be supported to empower patients and enhance the relationship between the patient and the provider.

eHealth Week 2016 is taking place in Amsterdam on 8-10 June 2016. The event is organised by the European Commission, the Dutch Ministry of Health and the Dutch Presidency of the Council of the European Union and HIMSS Europe.

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