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## Stanford Children's Health CIO Ed Kopetsky honored with Lifetime Achievement Award



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--[Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and Stanford Children's Health](#) are proud to announce that Chief Information Officer [Ed Kopetsky](#) was recently presented with the 2015 Silicon Valley Business Journal, San Francisco Business Times and PwC CIO of the Year [Lifetime Achievement Award](#). The award recognized his significant contributions to the field of information technology and for his use of IT to advance health care. Throughout his 30-plus year career, Mr. Kopetsky has led, implemented and deployed various IT programs in health care organizations across the country, including Stanford Children's Health, Centura Health and Sharp Healthcare. He also developed and supported numerous healthcare clients across the country as a Partner in Healthlink and IBM Global Services.

Since joining Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and Stanford Children's Health as chief information officer in 2009, Kopetsky has been at the forefront of major changes in healthcare and enterprise IT systems. In 2014, Kopetsky completed an innovative, industry-leading, three-year implementation of state-of-the-art enterprise systems in support of integrated patient care, high-performance business and analytics systems, and the connection of patient and consumer systems through new web technologies. The implementation has resulted in a more streamlined process for handling patient data and implementing patient care at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and Stanford Children's Health.

"Ed's vision plays a major role in every aspect of our success, and is instrumental as we expand access and make health care more convenient to our patients and their families," said [Christopher G. Dawes](#), president and chief executive officer of Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and Stanford Children's Health, the Bay Area's largest network of care exclusively dedicated to children and expectant mothers. "He has proven time and again to be an innovator and visionary in this field, and we're fortunate to have him as our CIO."

Kopetsky's career reflects significant achievement, innovation and transformation in the field of information technology. Prior to joining the Stanford Children's Health in 2009, Kopetsky was a partner at IBM Global Business Services and Healthlink, a consulting firm specialized in healthcare IT and process improvement (Healthlink was acquired by IBM in 2005). In the early 1990s, he implemented one of the first integrated patient care systems supporting a multi-hospital and physician network at Sharp Healthcare. Kopetsky has also contributed nationally and locally to numerous professional organizations, including serving as Board Chair for the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives and the Microsoft Healthcare Users Group. Kopetsky also chairs the industry advisory board for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

"I am honored by this recognition," Kopetsky said. "Over the course of my career I've seen significant changes in the way hospitals and health systems use IT to improve their operations and provide better care to patients. I've been fortunate to be a part of these changes at one of America's top children's hospitals, where I see the positive impact of technology on health care every day. This award is not only a reflection of my work as a CIO, but rather a testament to the support of my colleagues and their dedication to improving healthcare."

Finalists for the Bay Area CIO Awards were selected by a panel of judges through a nomination process. CIOs were nominated based on their use of IT, data and technology in order to help their businesses and organizations grow.

Every year, the Silicon Valley Business Journal, San Francisco Business Times and PwC honor the top chief information officers in the Bay Area. Winners were announced at [an awards dinner and reception on June 18 at the Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos, Calif.](#) The event brings together some of the most highly regarded businesses and organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area and recognizes the CIOs within these companies who are driving change through information technology and innovation.

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