

# Email news bulletin of The University of Melbourne Health Informatics Network

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### CHIRS\* Changing from third Thursdays?

Next CHIRS is on Thursday 12 April, 5-6.30 at University House (NB not 19 April). Upcoming dates are May 17; Jun 21. No need to RSVP, and if a colleague / student / research partner is interested, please bring them along. In 2007 CHIRS is being sponsored by VerSI, the Victorian eResearch Strategic Initiative (<http://versi.edu.au> or contact Gaby Bright [gabrielle.bright@versi.edu.au](mailto:gabrielle.bright@versi.edu.au) 8344 3768).

In the second half of 2007 we are looking at the possibility of changing CHIRS from the third Thursday of each month, as we know that this doesn't work well for everyone. Please let Simon or Kathleen know if you have a strong preference for another evening.

### University Health Informatics August events

The provisional program for August events sponsored by the University's Health Informatics Steering Committee is shaping up: There will be a public forum on the topic of ownership of electronic health records, on the evening of Tuesday 14 August. During the day on Wednesday 15 August there will be a series of four workshops on the following topics: health data linkage and data standards; using health data across the continuum of care; health informatics education; local and global public health informatics. Please spread the word and plan to take part.

### University Health Informatics on the web

The next Health Informatics Steering Committee Reference Group meeting on Monday 16 April will decide how to improve our use of the web for HI knowledge transfer. This will involve some changes from the current wiki, and the production of some new multimedia content.

So that we can include your HI-related research interests and expertise, you are strongly encouraged to do two things (1) update your public research profile in Themis, to include the RFCD code 321203 "Health Information Systems" and the keywords "health informatics"; and (2) make sure that your relevant publications can be accessed online (possibly through ePrints - <http://eprints.unimelb.edu.au/>).

As well, if you are engaged in research that could help to illustrate to non-experts what HI is all about, as part of a series of short videoclips to be produced for the website during the next three months, please ASAP talk to one of the following Reference Group members: Peter Harris, Liz Sonenberg, Teng Liaw, Loane Skene, Jim Black, Simon Milton or Kathleen Gray.

### U21 e-health workshop

The next Universitas 21 Health Sciences Group meeting in Hong Kong will hold an e-health workshop 24-25 September that is open to non-U21 staff. Please contact Lorraine Devitt [ldevitt@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:ldevitt@unimelb.edu.au) for further details.

### Calls for papers

International Journal of Electronic Healthcare publishes original and review papers, technical reports, case studies, conference reports, management reports, book reviews, and notes, commentaries, and news: [www.inderscience.com/ijeh](http://www.inderscience.com/ijeh)

Journal of Biomedical Informatics submissions due 31 July for a special issue on semantic biomed mashup: [http://www.elsevier.com/wps/find/journaldescription.cws\\_home/622857/description-description](http://www.elsevier.com/wps/find/journaldescription.cws_home/622857/description-description)

**News, ideas, need to know?**

Are you a staff member, research student or research partner with news items or needing information about HI? Contact Simon Milton or Kathleen Gray with items for the next HINet bulletin by Monday 7 May.

Regards from HI Network conveners

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