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### **IHE International has announced the launch of its Benefactor Membership Program**

Oak Brook, IL (January 23, 2024) – IHE International announced today the launch of a new Benefactor membership level to operationalize one of its strategic goals of expanding its stakeholder base to support the mission, independence and sustainability of IHE.

Since 1999, IHE has been a leader in developing interoperability specifications, known as IHE Profiles, to improve workflow-based solutions and ultimately patient care. IHE International is a non-profit organization of healthcare professionals and industry dedicated to developing use case-driven technical specifications that enable health IT systems to communicate and interoperate effectively. IHE promotes the coordinated use of established standards such as DICOM and HL7 to address specific clinical needs in support of optimal patient care. Systems developed in conformity with IHE specifications are easier to implement and enable care providers to use information effectively.

To continue this critical work, IHE International is inviting interested organizations of all sizes and interest to enroll as Benefactor members to demonstrate their commitment to health data standards. [Click here to view the full privileges of becoming an IHE International Benefactor.](#)

The Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) and the Health Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) serve as the founding organizations of IHE International and have contributed to IHE's growth and global reach for over 25 years. Canada Health Infoway has announced that it is joining HIMSS and RSNA in the first group of official IHE International benefactor members.

"We are excited to welcome Canada Health Infoway as benefactors of Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise International," says David S. Mendelson, MD, FACR, co-chair of the IHE International Board. "Their recognition of the important work IHE has accomplished to date and their willingness to support and influence the evolving standards work as HIT evolves is greatly appreciated!"

"I am excited to announce Canada Health Infoway's Benefactor membership in IHE International," says Attila Farkas, Senior Director of Interoperability at Canada Health Infoway. "In an era where seamless information exchange is paramount, joining forces with this global consortium reaffirms Canada's commitment to advancing interoperability and acts as an important step toward advancing an interconnected, seamless, and patient-centric healthcare system."

"The Benefactor Program represents a pivotal step in realizing our vision for a brighter and sustainable future," says Michael J. McCoy, MD, FACOG, FHIMSS, co-chair of the IHE International Board. "We are confident that the support garnered through this initiative will significantly amplify our ability to create positive change."

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