

## Digital Health Special Report Forward Features List 2019



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The schedule for 2019 is as follows:

### **Shared care records:** 16<sup>th</sup> January

*The value of the shared care record has been given further endorsement with the creation of Local Health and Care Exemplars (LHCRES), awarded central funding to advance information sharing. In Digital Health's latest special report, we will look in depth at the health and care bodies that are creating a shared understanding of citizens' health and wellbeing.*

### **Cybersecurity:** 13<sup>th</sup> February

*WannaCry ensured cybersecurity topped healthcare IT agendas in 2017. Many observers were surprised, however, by what perhaps felt like a rather limited national focus on the issue in 2018 – despite a widespread acknowledgment that it's a matter of when, not if, the next major cyberattack hits the NHS. In this Digital Health special report, we will review where things now stand on cybersecurity in UK healthcare.*

### **Imaging (PACS):** 27<sup>th</sup> February

*Picture archiving and communications systems (PACS) have been an established feature of NHS IT for over a decade now, but their potential continues to develop. This Digital Health special report will look at how organisations can realise the growing potential of PACS, and on towards likely future developments such as analytics, machine learning and AI.*



### **Remote monitoring and self care: 13<sup>th</sup> March**

*Supported self-care is seen as a crucial part of ensuring the sustainability of the health service as demographics change – and technology as a crucial means of making it easier for more people to take better care of their own health. This special report will provide an in-depth look at the burgeoning digital patient agenda.*

### **Digital Health Rewired Conference Focus 20<sup>th</sup> March**

*As health IT leaders gather in Olympia for Digital Health Rewired – the brand new leadership summit, conference and exhibition dedicated to digital health innovation – our latest special report rounds up some of the event's key themes.*

### **Diagnostic digital pathology: 10<sup>th</sup> April**

*With a digital pathology lead now in place at the Royal College of Pathologists – and the body suggesting the approach offers potential efficiency and quality benefits – the march from microscope to computer continues. In this Digital Health special report, we examine how far that journey has advanced and how much further there might be to go.*

### **Electronic document management: 8<sup>th</sup> May**

*Introducing an electronic patient record (EPR) may make some processes instantly paperfree, but what about all previous hardcopy patient records? And just how can documents generated by a range of electronic systems be appropriately stored and then accessed by the EPR? This Digital Health special report examines these and other questions.*

### **Digital Imaging: 5<sup>th</sup> June**

*Imaging has been at the forefront of digital adoption within healthcare. PACS and RIS have been well established in the market, with more imaging modalities being added all the time. The resulting data opens up new possibilities for both business intelligence and predictive analytics, not to mention improving patient access. This Digital Health special report – brand new for this year – will explore the current and future context.*

### **Medicines management: 19<sup>th</sup> June**

*From lockable drug cupboards which enable better management of stock, to e-prescribing enabling safer and more efficient prescription of medicines, with clinical decision support built in – there is no shortage of applications for technology in the important field of medicines management. This Digital Health special report will examine the current landscape, and explore what is to come.*



## **Observations and vital signs: 10<sup>th</sup> July**

*The potential of early warning scores to speedily identify deteriorating patients is well established, but manual calculation can be complicated and prone to error. Digital can help, and as e-observations systems become more mature their potential grows. Digital Health's latest special report will look at all aspects of electronic observations and vital signs – the difference such systems are already making to patient safety, and the potential they have to help further.*

## **Cloud: 11<sup>th</sup> September**

*Cloud seems to offer enormous potential benefits for healthcare. But what will need to happen for cloud to become business as usual in healthcare? This Digital Health special report will examine this issue, drawing on all aspects of cloud computing – software as a service, infrastructure as a service, and platform as a service alike.*

## **Analytics: 25<sup>th</sup> September**

*As more and more data is collected electronically within the NHS, the opportunities for analysis of that information multiply. This Digital Health advisory series report examines the burgeoning field of predictive analytics, from small apps to major datasets.*

## **VNA and data storage: 16<sup>th</sup> October**

*As imaging modalities become more numerous and more sophisticated, and as more and more documents are stored electronically, the need for suitable data storage grows. In this Digital Health special report, we will look at the growing number of ways in which VNAs can be used.*

## **Mental Health: 30<sup>th</sup> October**

*The promise of digital solutions can seem particularly significant in mental healthcare. This Digital Health special report will consider some of the latest developments in digital solutions in mental healthcare – both patient and clinician facing – as well as explore what the future might hold.*

## **Interoperability: 13<sup>th</sup> November**

*As 2019 draws to a close, we consider what the year has brought for efforts to improve interoperability in healthcare IT. Have FHIR and similar standards finally become fully embedded? Have national bodies presented a clear and united front on the issue? And is a clear approach being adopted at the local level?*

## **Medical devices: 4<sup>th</sup> December**

*Medical devices are a ubiquitous part of modern day healthcare, and increasingly digital rather than analogue. In this Digital Health special report, we consider how the digitisation of devices presents opportunities for better, more efficient, more cost effective care.*

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