Why should you join?

Small Commitment with Big Rewards
⇒ Attend in person or by telephone

Exchange of Information and Ideas
⇒ The Forum offers a place for you to obtain information from your peers and the State support staff.
⇒ The Forum is geared toward IT professionals and the agenda reflects information and ideas that are relevant to Public Health IT professionals in Michigan.
⇒ Since we all have the same programmatic requirements, the Forum allows us to leverage the strengths that each member brings to the table to solve problems we all face.

The Forum is attended by representatives from different State departments
⇒ You will receive information directly from the State staff, allowing you to prepare for changes that are coming.
⇒ You receive the opportunity to provide input on how the State will deal with different programmatic changes.
⇒ You receive Face-to-Face time with State support staff.

The Forum is attended by your peers
⇒ Learn how other Health Departments are tackling the problems you are facing
⇒ Find solutions to problems you didn’t even know you had (Often times, problems one Agency identifies can have ramifications for other Agencies that have not been realized. The Forum speeds up the identification process, providing each of us the ability to react faster and/or with greater coordination.)
⇒ This is a great way to meet and establish rapport with other IT professionals which facilitates mutual sharing and assistance between agencies.

How to Join
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Forum Meetings
The Forum meets on the third Wednesday of every other month at the Interactive Learning Center in Okemos, making it a very minimal time commitment. Attend in person or by telephone.

Meetings are Scheduled for:
• January
• March
• May
• July
• September
• November

Meeting Agenda
The meeting agenda usually includes updates from the following State departments and others:
⇒ MDCH, including
  • Medicaid Provider Relations
⇒ MCIR
⇒ WIC
⇒ OPHP/HAN
⇒ MALPH
⇒ Health Information Exchange
⇒ Premier Public Health Planning Committee

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