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John Blair, III, MD, F.A.C.S., CEO of MedAllies, is a health care and technology executive with broad experience across the health care industry. MedAllies facilitates provider adoption of health information technology and integrates the health care community to facilitate care coordination and patient-provider communication. In 2011, MedAllies was selected by the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) to provide the MedAllies Direct Solution software platform for one of the seven Reference Implementations of Direct. In 2012, the New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC) chose the MedAllies software platform to run the Direct Network portion of the Statewide Health Information Network of New York.

MedAllies went live as a National Direct Health Information Service Provider in 2013; it has achieved full EHNAC/Direct Trust accreditation. Today, MedAllies is a leading national Direct Network.

Blair also serves as president of Taconic IPA (TIPA), a 5,000-member physician group at the forefront of transforming healthcare delivery in New York's Hudson Valley through meaningful use of health IT and value-based purchasing initiatives.

Blair serves on the HIE and Interoperability Subgroup of the ONC HIT Policy Federal Advisory Committee. He is a member of various committees and boards.

Jitin Asnaani, MBA, Executive Director, CommonWell Health Alliance

Mr. Asnaani is on a mission to make nationwide health information exchange a reality. His experience in both the public and private sector has equipped him with the tools and knowledge to effectively collaborate with government, vendors, providers and other interoperability stakeholders across the care continuum. His diverse work history includes product innovation and interoperability at athenahealth, technical standards development at the Office of National Coordinator (ONC), product management at a health IT startup and strategy consulting at Deloitte. Mr. Asnaani has a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science & Engineering from MIT and a Master's in Business Administration from Harvard Business School.

Dave Cassel is the Director of Carequality, an initiative of The Sequoia Project that is bringing together the many health information exchange activities occurring throughout the country, allowing connectivity between data sharing networks much like the banking industry has connected its ATM and ACH networks.

Cassel has worked 18 years in health information technology. He has developed and launched health IT applications and initiatives throughout his career, with a particular focus on interoperability.

Ann O'Malley MD, MPH, Mathematica Policy Research

Ann O'Malley's research focuses on quality of care, care coordination, primary care, and electronic health records. A physician by training, she is board certified in preventive medicine and public health. O'Malley has also held faculty positions at Georgetown University Medical Center, where she worked on research funded by the National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute and foundations examining use of evidence-based preventive services in primary care settings. After her medical training and residency, O'Malley completed a primary care health services research fellowship. She serves as a

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reviewer and has published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Health Affairs*, and *Annals of Internal Medicine*. She is a member of AcademyHealth and a fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine. O'Malley holds an M.D. from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and an M.P.H. in health policy and management from the School of Hygiene and Public Health, the Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Tim Pletcher is the Executive Director of the Michigan Health Information Network Shared Services (MiHIN), a public and private nonprofit collaboration dedicated to improving the healthcare experience, improving quality and decreasing cost for Michigan's people by making valuable data available at the point of care through statewide health information sharing.

Dr. Pletcher also directs the Institute for Health and Business Insight at Central Michigan University (CMU), providing high-end data science services to Fortune 500 companies and large organizations to extract insight and value from their data using business intelligence and predictive modeling.

He received a Doctorate of Health Administration and a Master's Degree in Health Administration from Central Michigan University, and received his Bachelors of Science from the University of Michigan.

Peter DeVault, Epic

Peter DeVault began his career at Epic in 1997 with a background in science and mathematics, working to transition large healthcare delivery organizations from their paper-based processes to the enterprise electronic health system. He played an integral role in the implementation of nearly twenty large-scale EHR and CPOE systems and developed Epic's early implementation methodology.

As EHR systems gained national attention in the early 2000s, DeVault's focus shifted to interoperability, from standards to policy to workflows and governance. He participates in many public standards development, certification, and policy setting initiatives. DeVault served as co-chair of the CCHIT Interoperability Workgroup and HL7's EHR Technical Committee, led the Direct Project's User Stories Workgroup, and was a member of EHRA's executive board. In addition to these leadership positions, he also participated in several S&I Framework initiatives and committees within IHE. He currently sits on the HITPC's Information Exchange Workgroup and serves as Epic's representative to the Care Everywhere Governing Council, which represents over 250 large healthcare delivery organizations exchanging 760,000 patient records a month across different EHR systems.

In addition to his ongoing work with interoperability, DeVault participates in Epic's development and implementation of features to support clinical research, genomics and patient engagement.

Deven McGraw, Deputy Director for Health Information Privacy, OCR

Deven McGraw recently joined the HHS Office for Civil Rights (OCR) as the Deputy Director for Health Information Privacy.

McGraw, a well-respected privacy expert, comes to OCR with a wealth of experience in both the private sector and the non-profit advocacy world. In addition to having written extensively on various issues relating to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), McGraw has been invited to testify before Congress multiple times.

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Most recently, McGraw was a partner at Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, where she co-chaired the firm's Privacy and Data Security practice. She also previously served as the Director of the Health Privacy Project at the Center for Democracy & Technology, which is a leading consumer voice on health privacy and security policy issues, and as the Chief Operating Officer at the National Partnership for Women & Families, where she provided strategic leadership and substantive policy expertise for the Partnership's health policy agenda.