



Editor's Choice Award Winners

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The winners of the first annual Editor's Choice Awards were announced at the 3rd Annual World Healthcare Innovation and Technology Congress (WHIT 3.0). The victors were revealed Sunday, Dec. 9, at the conference's networking gala at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Washington. The awards are co-sponsored by WHIT 3.0 and Health Data Management.

Awards were presented in four categories: large hospitals, medium and small hospitals, group practices, and payers. Nominees were chosen by the *Health Data Management* editorial staff. Editors combed through the hundreds of staff-written stories and identified organizations that are setting new standards of innovation through their use of commercial and homegrown software. The winners are:

Large Hospitals

*Hamot Medical Center, a 343-bed hospital based in Erie, Pa. that used I.T. to help collect, analyze and submit hospital-acquired infection data to state authorities.

Medium and Small Hospitals *Atlantic General Hospital, a 62-bed hospital in Berlin, Md. that enhanced its own medication reconciliation program to include drugs prescribed by community physicians.

Group Practices

*Palo Alto Foundation in California, a 385-physician group practice based in Palo Alto, Calif. that developed a patient portal within its electronic health records system.

Payers

*Hawaii Medical Service Association, a Blue Cross Blue Shield licensee based in Honolulu that allocated \$50 million to help offer I.T. to physicians.

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