

OSCAR Passes Testing in IHE Connectathon 2014!

A team led by McMaster University and Mohawk College in Hamilton recently achieved another and significant first for OSCAR! After extensive development work made possible by the Federal Economic Development Agency of Southern Ontario (FedDev) through the Connected Health and Wellness Project (CHWP), **Jay Gallagher (McMaster) and Mohamed Ibrahim and Garrett Tyler (Mohawk College) put OSCAR's interoperability to the test and passed at the Integrating the Health Enterprise (IHE) North America Connectathon 2014** the week of January 27 - 31 in Chicago, IL. IHE is an initiative created by professionals in the healthcare industry to help improve the way information systems share data in healthcare by promoting the coordinated use of established standards to address specific clinical needs in support of optimal patient care (<http://www.ihe.net/connectathon/>).

The specific IHE profiles that were tested and passed were:

1. ATNA Secure Node
2. Consistent Time
3. PIX Patient Identity Consumer
4. PIX Patient Identity Source
5. XDS.b Document Consumer
6. XDS.b Document Source

OSCAR's verified compliance with these profiles means it is now able to share data easily with other HIS/EHR systems that use the same profiles, taking us one important step



closer to helping a patient's information move with them throughout their encounters with the healthcare system, whether in community or hospital settings, ultimately improving the timeliness, effectiveness and safety of care!

Image: Jay Gallagher, Lead Software Architect with OSCAR EMR at the 2014 IHE Connectathon in Chicago, IL.