



Provider & Nurse Leader Testifies at NCVHS on Meaningful Use

April 28, 2009 - Judy Murphy, RN, FACMI, FHIMSS Vice President, Information Services Aurora Health Care, Milwaukee, WI testified today during a hearing held by the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) as a panelist before the Executive Subcommittee on "Panel 6: The 'Glide Path' to Meaningful Use for 2011 and Beyond for Providers" in support of answering the big question: what path do we follow and how do we know when we've arrived? During her testimony, this nursing leader discussed six key themes regarding the definition for "meaningful use" and the roadmap to achieve it:

- Interoperability
- Accessibility
- Personal Health Records
- Adoption
- Measuring Success
- Education

"Each theme incorporates one of my biases - a very strong patient point of view. Nurses, in general have this partiality. There are 2.9 million practicing Registered Nurses, who comprise 55% of the U.S. health care workforce. As the providers who spend the most time with patients, particularly in hospitals where we are the caregiver and patient advocate 24/7, we have always had a solid focus on seeing things from the patient's vantage point."

Ms. Murphy's experience prepares her to serve as an advocate for the envisioning policies that do not compromise workflow, have a positive impact on healthcare delivery, and represents the voice of nurses as providers and consumers as patients.

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