



DHC 2026 Program Agenda (Day 1)											
Start Time	End Time	Duration	Pre-Function A/B Registration	Ballroom A (Plenary Room)	Room 200 ABC	Room 201 ABC	205 ABC	206 AB	206CD	Ballroom B, Pre-Function C/D Food & Beverage, Networking and Vendor Showcase	
7:00 AM	8:00 AM	1:00									
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	0:30		Sponsored breakfast session							
				The billion dollar blind spot: How much physicians quietly lose to underbilling each year and how to get it back Speaker: Chris Foster , General Manager, Dr.Bill							
8:30 AM	8:45 AM	0:15		Welcome: Robert Fox , CEO, OntarioMD; Rebecca Hicks , MD, President, OMA							
8:45 AM	9:05 AM	0:20		Opening remarks: Honourable Sylvia Jones , Deputy Premier, Minister of Health							
9:05 AM	10:05 AM	1:00		Keynote address: The Outrage Cure: Responding to loss, betrayal and hopelessness in health care							
10:05 AM	10:50 AM	0:45		Speaker: Alika Lafontaine , MD Spotlight panel Accelerating Evidence2Practice: AI-powered clinical decision support to enable primary care transformation in Ontario							
				Panelists: Onil Bhattacharyya , MD, Director, WCH Institute for Health System Solutions and Virtual Care; Rebecca Ataman , PhD, Lead, Digital Implementation and Quality, Ontario Health; Ariane Siegel , General Counsel and Chief Privacy Officer, OntarioMD; Pippy Scott-Meuser , Director, Digital and E2P, Centre for Effective Practice							
				Moderator: Ali N. Damji , MD, Family Physician, Credit Valley Family Medicine							
10:50 AM	11:15 AM	0:25	Morning Break - Vendor Showcase								
11:15 AM	12:00 PM	0:45		AI between us: Redefining the clinician-patient relationship Panelists Iris Gorfinkle , MD, Family Physician and Researcher, PrimeHealth Clinical Research; Sydney Graham , Patient Partner, OntarioMD Moderator: Keith Thompson , MD, Physician Peer Leader, OntarioMD	Modernizing patient encounters in community family practice: Using digital tools and AI to put patients first Speaker: Michelle Greiver , MD, Family Physician, North York Family Health Team, and Professor, Department of Family and Community Medicine, University of Toronto	A clinician's guide to leveraging the AI galaxy while avoiding the legal abyss: Tips from the commissioner, the physician scientist and the lawyer Panelists: Patricia Kosseim , Information and Privacy Commissioner; Ariane Siegel , General Counsel and Chief Privacy Officer, OntarioMD; Amol Verma , MD, Co-Lead, GEMINI and VITAL Data Platforms Adjunct Co-Vice President, Vital Health System and Data Innovation, Unity Health Toronto, Clinician-Scientist, St. Michael's Hospital, Unity Health Toronto Moderator: Will Falk , Canadian Standards Association, Public Policy Fellow	Integrating AI-generated clinical tools into EMRs: A rheumatology case-based experience Speaker: Tahir Kanji , MD, Rheumatologist, Ultimate Diagnostics Inc.				
12:00 AM	12:20 PM	0:20		Lunch							
12:20 PM	1:05 PM	0:45	Sponsored lunch session								
			Beyond the appointment: Reclaiming time through digital workflows Speaker: John O'Mahony , MD, Family Physician; Medical Director, Trillium Villa and Twin Lakes Nursing Homes; Lead Physician, Sarnia FHO, DocNote								
1:05 PM	1:15 PM	0:10	Transition Break								
1:15 PM	2:00 PM	0:45		Embedding culturally responsive specialty care within primary care: Using EMR data and AI to improve access Speaker: Catherine Vu , Executive Director, ACIR	Transforming referrals: eReferral Ontario, central intake and standardized referral forms Panelists: David Urbach , MD; Erin Keely , MD, Endocrinologist; Stephen Pomedli , MD; Nala Sriharan , RN, Ontario Health Moderator: Cynthia MacWilliam , Executive Director, Client Services and Engagement, OntarioMD	AI without anxiety: Overcoming AI adoption fears for people who aren't superusers Speaker: Sam Wallenius , MD, Associate Medical Director, Physician Health Program	Introducing an open-source intelligent physician digital assistant: AI scribe and beyond Speakers: Maheswaran Srivamadevan , MD, Cardiologist, Specialty Peer Leader, OntarioMD; Braedon Hendy , MD, Physician Peer Leader, OntarioMD				
2:00 PM	2:10 PM	0:10	Transition Break								
2:10 PM	2:40 PM	0:30		Sponsored session Choosing the right AI tool for your clinic: What to ask before you buy AI Panelists: Roger Han , Chief Technology Officer, KMH; Darrell Ginsberg , MD, Unified Healthcare Team; Peter Phua , MD, Optimal Health Moderator: Jeff Chan , Co-founder and Chief Revenue Officer, Inference Health	Sponsored session From AI scribe to AI Care Partner: real clinical impact today, augmented clinicians and unlocked capacity tomorrow Speaker: Sameer Shaikh , MD, Emergency and Critical Care Physician, Canadian Clinical Director, Heidi Health	Sponsored session AI agents in primary care: What's real today, what's coming and where to start Speaker: Mahshid Yassaei , CEO and Co-Founder, Tali AI	Sponsored session Building the AI layer for modern health care together Speakers: Joel Moktar , MD, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Associate Professor, NOSM University, Co-Founder, QuickChart Inc.; Paval Antiperovitch , MD, Cardiologist, Associate Pofessor, Western University, Co-Founder, QuickChart Inc.				
2:40 PM	3:05 PM	0:25	Afternoon Break								
3:05 PM	3:35 PM	0:30		Sponsored session The EMR's emerging job description: From system of record to system of action Speaker: Aaron Brady , Director, Product Management, EMRs, TELUS Health	Sponsored session The EMR of the future is here today: Inside WELLSTAR's AI-native approach to care Speaker: Paul Casey , President, Clinical Platform Group, WELLSTAR Technologies	Sponsored session First, do no clicking: What Hippocrates knew about the touchless EMR Speakers: Mike Forseth , MD, Family Physician, Co-Founder and CEO, Ava Industries; Matt Henschke , MD, Co-Founder, President and Chief Visionary Officer, Ava Industries	Sponsored session WAIVE Goodbye to Administrative burden by optimizing your team around AI Speaker: Shreyansh Anand , Co-Founder, Waive and Shane Teper , MD, Chief Medical Officer, Waive Sponsor: Waive Medical				
3:35 PM	3:40 PM	0:05	Transition Break								
3:40 PM	4:10 PM	0:30		AI-enabled patient experience management: Reducing cognitive load and consultation time in community clinics Speaker: Neha Sadhotra , PhD, Independent Consultant	Using AI-enabled remote monitoring to support patients with chronic disease Speaker: Andrea Galindo , CEO and Co-Founder, Baune Ecosystem	Reclaiming 34 hours a year: How a standardized EMR diabetes workflow improves care and reduces administrative burden Speaker: Denis Tsang , Quality and Digital Health Strategist, Woodbridge Medical Centre Family Health Team; Natalie Richards , MD, Woodbridge Medical Centre Family Health Team	From paper to pixels: Transforming perinatal care through a connected digital Ontario perinatal record Speakers: Anna Chavlovski , MD, Medical Director, BORNConnect; Sophie Outar , Project Director, BORNConnect				
4:10 PM	4:15 PM	0:05	Transition Break								
4:15 PM	5:00 PM	0:45	Closing keynote address: Keeping medicine human Speaker: Nandini Gupta , MD, Cardiologist, Founder and CEO, Art in Medicine Closing Remarks: Digital Health Leadership Address								
5:00 PM	5:25 PM	0:25	Speaker: Dafna Carr , Chief Digital Health Officer, Ministry of Health.								

Ballroom B, Pre-Function C/D | Food & Beverage, Networking and Vendor Showcase





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7:00 AM	8:00 AM	1:00	Pre-Function A/B and Ballroom B Registration	Sponsored breakfast session Presentation title: AI-powered tools - necessary but not sufficient? Paving the digitally interoperable road forward for community-based physicians Speaker: Rashaad Bhyat , MD, Senior Physician Leader, Canada Health Infoway							Ballroom B, Pre-Function C/D Food & Beverage, Networking and Vendor Showcase			
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	0:30		Opening remarks: Robert Fox , CEO, OntarioMD; Andrew Park , MD, CEO, OMA										
8:30 AM	8:45 AM	0:15		Keynote address: From exam rooms to iPhones: Lessons from the front lines of health Speaker: Michael Evans , MD										
8:45 AM	9:30 AM	0:45		Spotlight panel The third voice in the room: AI, patients, and the future of trust Panelists: Chandi Chandrasena , MD, Chief Medical Officer, OntarioMD; Tania Tajirian , MD, Chief Health Information Officer and Chief of Hospital Medicine, CAMH; Jennifer Zelmer , PhD, President and CEO, Healthcare Excellence Canada Moderator: Michael Evans , MD										
9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:00												
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	0:30		Morning Break - Vendor Showcase										
11:00 AM	11:15 AM	0:15			Choosing Your Next EMR: Finding the right fit for you and your practice Speakers: Andrew King , Chief Technology Officer, OntarioMD; Leah Feldman , MD, Physician Peer Leader, OntarioMD	2026 Legal and regulatory update: What clinicians need to know Speaker: Ariane Siegel , General Counsel and Chief Privacy Officer, OntarioMD; Andrew Drummond , Director of Health Policy, Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario	Filling the coverage gap: Connecting physicians through a digital locum matching program Speakers: Joyce Cheung , MD; Chief Medical Officer, LOCVM; Angelique Bernab� , PhD, Research Lead, LOCVM	Short Snapper: Closing cardiometabolic care gaps with AI and team-based care Speaker: Janish Raja , VP Operations, Inflective AI						
11:15 AM	11:30 AM	0:15		Short Snapper: Improving home care documentation with voice AI to support primary care Speakers: Tayeb Toufik Dahar , Director of Business Intelligence Innovations; Robin Cheslock , Clinical Director, Integrated Care Services										
11:30 AM	11:45 AM	0:15		Short Snapper: Improving access to care through real-time clinic capacity matching Speaker: James Hong , PhD, Neuroscience and Bioinformatics, CEO, Verismo Health Inc.										
11:45 AM	12:00 PM	0:15		Short Snapper: Reducing front desk workload through AI-powered patient communication Speakers: Ali Qamar , MD, Co-Founder and CEO, Strello Health; Reza Mirza , MD, Co-Founder, Strategy and Partnerships, Strello Health										
12:00 PM	12:15 PM	0:15		Lunch										
12:15 PM	1:00 PM	0:45		Sponsored lunch session "A bicycle for your mind": Can AI tools make us better doctors? Speaker: Mohammed Loubani , MD, Executive Director, Avaros Inc.										
1:00 PM	1:10 PM	0:10		Transition Break										
1:10 PM	1:40 PM	0:30			Optimized Practice: Creating Time in Your Day (roundtable workshop)	Peer Leader AI/EMR roundtable (Collaborative Health Record/PS Suite EMR)	Peer Leader AI/EMR roundtable (Accuro EMR)	Peer Leader AI/EMR roundtable (OSCAR Pro EMR)	From waitlist to attachment: Automating complexity screening for intake in primary care Speaker: Denis Tsang , Independent Digital Health Strategist					
1:40 PM	2:10 PM	0:30		Sponsored session Be insured by those who know you best: Building your financial knowledge Speakers: Sabbir Mahmud , CHS, LLQP, Insurance Advisor, OMA Insurance; Jason Cohen , LLQP, Insurance Advisor, OMA Insurance										
2:10 PM	2:20 PM	0:10		Transition Break										
2:20 PM	3:05 PM	0:45							How AI-assisted research ethics workflows reduce administrative burden and address burnout in community practice Speaker: Matthew Bromwich , MD, Director, CORE Innovation, CHEO Research Institute	Stop the re-fax: Simplifying referral management across disconnected systems Speaker: Sean Kerklaan , Founder and Principal, Smart Clinic Systems		Should we use an AI-receptionist in a community based family physician office Speakers: Sohal Goyal , MD; Beth Perrier , MD; Seth Goyal , Honours Health Sciences	Improving billing literacy with conversational AI Speaker: Haroon Yousuf , MD, OMA	
3:05 PM	3:10 PM	0:05		Afternoon Break – Vendor Showcase										
3:10 PM	3:20 PM	0:10												
3:20 PM	3:35 PM	0:15												
3:35 PM	4:35 PM	1:00	Closing keynote address: Community medicine in the age of AI: The future is digital. The core is human. Speaker: Chandi Chandrasena , MD, Chief Medical Officer, OntarioMD											