

WHAT IS HEALTH INFORMATICS?

Health Informatics connects people, technology, and data to better improve healthcare outcomes and safety by supporting operational, innovation and technological advancements globally.



AREAS OF HEALTH INFORMATICS



CAREER & INDUSTRY OUTLOOK BY THE NUMBERS

39%

Percentage of **primary care doctors switching to electronic health records** has almost doubled from 20% to 39% in the past 3 years



50%

The pace is expected to exceed 50% by end of year

10x

Health Informatics is in the top 10 highest-demand healthcare occupations, and is growing 10x faster than healthcare jobs overall.



60,000

Workforce grew by over 60,000 people/jobs between 2008 and 2011, when the meaningful use program launched, finding a total of **434,282 health IT-related job postings** between 2007-2011.



The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (spearheading the implementation of HITECH) has indicated that, in order to meet HITECH standards, a shortage of 51,000 health IT workers must be overcome.

SALARY POTENTIAL:

MANAGER

\$69,880*



DIRECTOR

\$87,734*



EXECUTIVE

\$132,040*



*median salary, source: 2012 AHIMA salary survey

POPULAR CAREER PROFILES - MEDIAN SALARY - GROWTH OUTLOOK

CONSULTANT \$95,688 +8.4%

SECURITY OFFICER \$81,821 +3.9%

EDUCATOR \$70,281 +14.4%

NURSING INFORMATICS \$70,008 +22%

SYSTEMS ANALYST \$65,978 +5.3%

15%

The expected growth outlook for IT project managers

209,600

The forecasted number of additional nursing informatics positions in the next 10 years

22%

The rate at which occupations are growing year over year

WHO BENEFITS FROM HEALTH IT?

- Primary care practice
- Hospitals
- Healthcare systems
- Patients
- Communities

VALUE PROVIDED:

- Improved quality of care
- Reduced cost and paperwork
- Streamlined processes
- Compliance with "meaningful use" criteria
- Decreased medical errors
- Access to important medical data
- Efficiencies
- Improved patient outcomes
- Enable development of evidence-based protocols
- Improved patient engagement and adherence

Health Informatics drives operational efficiencies that enable streamlined comprehensive care and the protection of patient data



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