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**4th NHIN Forum: Trial Implementations  
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As a key element of the national health information technology strategy, the advancement of the Nationwide Health Information Network initiative will provide the foundation for interoperable, secure and standards-based health information exchange nationally.

The Fourth Nationwide Health Information Network forum will

- Advance discussions and develop clarity on how the trial implementations are addressing key aspects of standards-based, private and secure information exchanges via the Nationwide Health Information Network (NHIN).
- Enlist public input and share experiences from state and regional health information exchanges as they implement and test trial implementations of the NHIN.
- Learn how the work of Health Information Technology Standards Panel (HITSP) and the Certification Commission for Health Information Technology (CCHIT) are being used to inform the NHIN trial implementations.

The forum will include plenary and concurrent presentations with discussion.

The Fourth Nationwide Health Information Network forum will be open to the public and include participants in key processes supported by the Office for the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (including the nine health information exchanges participating in developing Nationwide Health Information Network trial implementations, key representatives from other public, private, and non-profit health information technology stakeholders.)

Online registration for the forum is available at <http://www.blsmmeetings.net/nhinf/>.

Additional information on the forum will be posted shortly at [www.hhs.gov/healthit/healthnetwork/forums/](http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/healthnetwork/forums/)

**HOTEL INFORMATION / RESERVATIONS**

A special rate of \$118 per single/double per night (plus tax) has been arranged for the forum. There are a limited number of rooms available at the special rate. Please make your reservations directly with the Hyatt Regency Long Beach, Long Beach, CA and mention NHIN Forum to receive the reduced rate. Reservations will be accepted from Friday, October 12, 2007 until Friday, November 9, 2007. After that cut-off date, reservations will be accepted on a space-available basis. Please note that online reservations cannot be accepted for the NHIN Forum block—you must call the number below.

***Hyatt Regency Long Beach***  
***200 South Pine Avenue***  
***Long Beach, California, USA 90802***  
***Tel: 1 562 491 1234***

For travel planning purposes, the Hyatt Regency Long Beach is located approximately 22 miles from Los Angeles International Airport or 24 miles from John Wayne/Orange Beach Airport.

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