

# OpenHIE Implementers Network Call

## Call Agendas and Minutes

2024

Call dates to be added as they are confirmed

- **April 3**
  - **Health Financing Deep Dive**  
**1-2 pm UTC / 9-10 am ET**
  - Uwe Wahser, Dragos Dobre & Saurav Bhattarai (openIMIS Initiative professionals & leads of OHIE Health Financing subcommunity) have been championing efforts in the community to build resources in support of country developed financing plans & will be facilitating the next OpenHIE Implementers Network (OHIN) on Wednesday 3 April from 1-2 pm UTC / 9-10 am ET.

This session will focus on the interoperability between health systems and financing approaches. The facilitators will share updates from the landscape of health financing in HIE, including scenarios involving OpenIMIS.

**We want to hear from you!** Come to this session with your health financing workflow questions and ready to learn from real-world use cases! Your knowledge can help influence the direction of health financing resources in support of country HIE implementations.

## Call Information

### OHIN: What is this forum and who is involved?

OpenHIE supports a collaborative space for those leveraging electronic health information by standardizing it in environments with constrained resources.

The [OpenHIE Implementers Network \(OHIN\)](#) provides a peer-learning forum for implementers to engage with one another, interact with the OpenHIE community, and create bridges between networks through OpenHIE hosted events. OHIN events are open to everyone, with special emphasis for the work of **country implementers, domain experts, and developers wanting to adopt and implement OpenHIE standards.**

### What do typical OHIN events look like and how can I participate

OHIN takes place in the form of **open, virtual meetings held throughout the year**, showcasing OpenHIE implementations, technical demonstrations, and other topics of interest to the community. In addition, resources and updates surrounding the community are also shared. Following these main meeting topics, space is also saved for attendees to share insights and challenges they are experiencing.

Community members are encouraged to bring questions, problems, and ideas unique to implementing the OpenHIE Architecture and tools to these meetings to take advantage of the peer-learning network.

### Other Ways to Engage

- Sign up for [the mailing list](#)
- Sign up for the online forum, Discourse and introduce yourself to the community.
  - You can visit the [OHIN Discourse Page](#) to join the conversation and post a new topic to the forum if you have something you would like to see on an upcoming agenda.
- Bookmark the Wiki and review resources already shared.
  - [Archive](#)
- View the [OpenHIE Specification](#) to see information on architecture standards and requirements.
- View the [Getting Started Guide](#) to help establish an eHealth architecture and get started with health information exchange
- Join other upcoming calls - dates and Zoom information can be found [on the Wiki](#).
- If you or your colleagues have an idea for a call topic, please reach out by email to [kaalcumm@egenstrief.org](mailto:kaalcumm@egenstrief.org).

### Connect with us!

Twitter: @OpenHIE

Email: [openhie@gmail.com](mailto:openhie@gmail.com)

Discourse: <https://discourse.ohie.org/>

Website: <https://ohie.org/>

### Previous Calls

- **February 7**
  - **Privacy & Security Deep Dive**

- Michael Markevich  
(Security Lead at  
DHIS2 & OHIE  
Privacy & Security  
sub-community lead)  
champions efforts in  
the community to  
build resources in  
support of country  
developed security  
plans & facilitated  
this OHIN call.

This session focused  
on bringing the  
community together  
to discuss the  
importance of privacy  
and security, the next  
steps we should be  
taking as a  
community and  
hearing real use  
cases from data  
exchange  
implementers. *We  
were joined by  
community members  
with organizations  
like PHIS3 and the  
Palladium Group who  
brought their  
perspective of work  
in supporting digital  
health systems in  
Nigeria and the  
OpenMRS  
distribution system in  
Kenya!*

Implementers came  
to share their  
experiences and  
needs around privacy  
and security. Their  
knowledge can help  
influence the  
direction of privacy  
and security  
resources in support  
of country HIE  
implementations.

During this call we:

1. Discussed  
the  
importance  
of thinking  
about the  
implications  
of P&S as  
part of the  
overall HIE  
framework
2. Reviewed  
shared data  
access  
agreement  
as an  
example of  
a type of  
resource  
that could  
be created.
3. Heard from  
country  
implementati  
ons sharing  
their

technical,  
organization  
al, or  
regulatory  
use cases

- Feb 16

- **Ethiopia: Ayder Comprehensive Specialized Hospital HIE Roadmap**

- March: 29

- **OpenHIE on the Ground with AeHIN:**

*Using the OHIE Academy in the Real-world by the UP Manila Standards and Interoperability Lab (UPM-SILab) - a member of the AeHIN Community of Interoperability Labs*

- The **University of the Philippines Manila Standards and Interoperability Lab, a member of the Asia eHealth Information Network Community of Interoperability Labs**, a [partner organization of OpenHIE](#), shared about how the university is leveraging the OHIE Academy to fast track capacity-building in the Philippines and in Asia.
- In addition to giving an overview of their organization and experiences in Asia, Dr Alvin Marcelo of UPM-SILab and AeHIN, will also share about their plans for 2023 and how OHIE plays a key role in their partnerships with government and the private sector.

- Aug: 3

- **RECAINSA – Health Information Exchange in Latin America: Advances and Challenges**

- Hosted by an OpenHIE partner organization, [RECAINSA](#) who shared about their organization & the Health Information Exchange landscape in Latin America.

- September: 20

- **Community Health Toolkit Interoperability based on the OpenHIE Architecture & FHIR standards**
  - A technical showcase from OpenHIM. Philip Mwago & Njuguna Ndung'u showcased how the Community Health Toolkit (CHT) can exchange data with external systems based on the OpenHIE architecture, briefly introduce [Medic](#), and overview the [CHT-Interoperability](#) reference application. The overview included where it has been deployed and the need for enhancements, including interoperability
- **October: 5**
  - **Considering Gender & Equity in Your HIE Projects**
  - Jaslyn Reader with GIZ shared about Gender Action Planning in HIE Projects.

Jaslyn shared core themes for gender transformative change and training as well as topics around pain points and insights in the digital health systems. This group learned more and discussed how to bring in a feminist lens to this work.
- **November: 20**
  - [Virtual Unconference Sessions](#)

- An event for OpenHIE community members to continue conversations from OHIE23 & allow those who were unable to travel for OHIE23 an opportunity to connect on these ongoing conversations as well as participate with other members on new conversations. These discussion-based sessions will help the community to continue to work on the areas of most interest to them and their work & it will also highlight the topics the community wants to learn more about in the next year.
- **November 27**
  - **Implementers**  
**Network: IOL Deep Dive**
  - Community members from Jembi & Symbionix shared updates from the Interoperability Layer sub-community and IOL designs and implementations. Community members learned about the current state of IOL efforts and saw some new features from OpenHIM!

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## How to join:

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://iu.zoom.us/j/445308572?pwd=ak1XbmprdFBUQnRZO WszWU91VHdyUT09>

Or Telephone:

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Meeting ID: 445 308 572

Passcode: 1

International numbers available: <https://iu.zoom.us/join?m=DLrN5Uy6Bwr1LnFueAth WzRTjX1Ege83>

## **Resources:**



Archive of calls from  
previous years



For links to specific  
subcommunity resources c  
heck out the *Subcommuniti*  
es space [CLICK HERE](#)