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Dr. Theal is the Chief Medical Information Officer and a staff Gastroenterologist at North York General Hospital (NYGH) in Toronto, Canada. Dr. Theal is the physician lead for the *eCare* hospital information system enhancement project at NYGH, which has won six national awards for innovation, quality and safety of patient care since 2010, and enabled NYGH to reach Stage 6 on the HIMSS Analytics EMRAM in 2011. *eCare* also won the prestigious *HIMSS Nicolas E. Davies Enterprise Award of Excellence* in 2016, the pinnacle award in healthcare IT for substantially improving patient outcomes and value.

As a recognized expert in the design and implementation of advanced hospital information systems to improve patient care, Dr. Theal has given invited presentations to clinicians, administrators and policy makers in 11 different countries. He has also served as an advisor to more than 80 hospitals, as well as several public health authorities and private companies in Canada and internationally. He is the physician lead of the newly formed Ontario Hospital Information System Adoption and Benefits Team. In 2015 he was the recipient of the *Minister's Medal Honouring Excellence in Health Quality and Safety*, and in 2010 he received the national COACH *Community-Based Physician Leader/Innovator of the Year* award. Dr. Theal holds an MD from the University of Toronto, with fellowships in Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology, and Therapeutic Endoscopy. He completed an internship in Health Informatics at Harvard University.