

# Canadian Health Informatics Awards 2008

## CHITTA, the Health Division of ITAC Healthcare Transformation Award Application Form

CHITTA has established the **Healthcare Transformation Award** to recognize a for-profit healthcare ICT company that has fundamentally transformed healthcare in Canada through the use of health informatics. This first annual Award will honour a healthcare ICT Company that has demonstrated at least one successful healthcare transformation at a provincial, regional, and/or local level and begun to realize change within the past twelve months.

Key characteristics:

- Transformation is replicable in other Canadian jurisdictions
- Measurable positive impact on patient outcomes and/or delivery of care (process efficiencies, financial, etc)

### The Award

The successful company will be presented with a formal award at the Canadian Health Informatics Awards Gala ceremony, on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 in Toronto

- The top three finalists will be acknowledged prior to the ceremony and the winner will be announced during the evening.
- The company will be invited to attend the Awards Gala Dinner and reception and one Senior Officer will be selected to accept the award.
- The company will have the right to use a "Health Transformation Award" logo on its website and printed material.
- Award recipients will have their achievement acknowledged in perpetuity on the Health Informatics Award website ([www.HealthInformaticsAward.ca](http://www.HealthInformaticsAward.ca))
- The company and its achievement will be featured in the ensuing edition of Healthcare Information Management & Communications Canada.

Travel and accommodation are not included.

### Eligibility and Application

Nominations will be accepted from client organizations or healthcare ICT organizations.

Award applications will be accepted for private sector companies with a focus on transforming Canadian healthcare and achieving results through the use of health informatics. Eligible companies may have a practice entirely or partially dedicated to health-IT.

## Criteria

Successful recipients will have demonstrated excellence in all of, but not limited to, the following:

Criteria	Sub-criteria
<b>Relevance and Replication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Transformation is relevant to the national health agenda</li><li>Transformation approach can be replicated</li></ul>
<b>Impact</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Measurable improvements in patient outcomes and/or the delivery of care (e.g. process efficiencies, financial, programs, services, etc)</li><li>Transformation is sustainable</li><li>Improvements made are scalable and can be expanded upon</li></ul>

## Instructions

The nominating organization is to assess the healthcare ICT Company based on the following two criteria: relevance and replication, and impact.

A short specific description and/or example are to be provided for each sub- criteria statement. There is an area, after each criteria category, to provide highlighted overall details on how this project team has excelled in each category; this description is limited to **300 words maximum**.

Please refrain from using the Nominee's Company Name in all instances, the adjudication panel will be accessing the criteria without knowledge of the Company's identity. This "BLIND" process will eliminate any biases that may exist.

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### **Criteria 1: Relevance and Replication**

- The successful recipient will have demonstrated all of, but not limited to, the following:
  1. **Transformation is relevant to national health agenda**, including but not limited to:
    - a. Transformation affects a healthcare issue seen across Canada
  2. **Transformation approach can be replicated**, including but not limited to:
    - a. Approach can be replicated to transform change in another area/subject matter – provide a detailed yet concise explanation
    - b. Approach can be replicated to transform change in another jurisdictions

***Describe how the healthcare ICT company demonstrated relevance and replication with their healthcare transformation (300 words max):***

## **Criteria 2: Impact**

- The successful recipient will have demonstrated all of, but not limited to, the following:
  1. **Measurable improvements in patient outcomes and/or the delivery of care**, examples:
    - a. Patient safety, such as medication incidents – include specific achievements with quantifiable data
    - b. Process efficiencies – reference details about the process changes and the quantifiable outcome achieved
    - c. Financial benefit – focus on operating expense savings or capital cost savings in relation to quality and process efficiencies introduced
  2. **Transformation is sustainable – focus on sustainable results both in terms of quantifiable data and in terms of financial data**
  3. **Improvements made are scalable and can be expanded upon – Use quantifiable information to prove how the outcomes can be scaled and/or adapted beyond the original intended purpose. Is the Transformational improvement “portable” to other care settings, departments, or processes? Does it have an unlimited capacity for ROI depending on size?**

***Describe the impact the healthcare ICT company’s health transformation has had on the health informatics industry (300 words max):***

**Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov.: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov.: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please download this form, complete the requirements and forward it electronically to CHITTA at [elaine.huesing@shaw.ca](mailto:elaine.huesing@shaw.ca)**

**NOTE: The Deadline for submissions is 5:00PM (EST) September 15, 2008.**

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