



# January Network News

January 18, 2023

# Housekeeping Reminders

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# Agenda

- Welcome and Civitas Updates – *Lisa Bari, Chief Executive Officer and Jolie Ritzo, Senior Director of Network Engagement*
- Update on Implementation and Dissemination of Gravity Project SDOH Standards RWJF Program – *Jessica Little, Senior Director of Business Development and Programs*
- Civitas Member News – *Jolie Ritzo and Lisa Bari*
- Getting the Most Out of Your Membership – *Jolie Ritzo*
- Spotlight Presentation – DirectTrust-EHNAC Update, *Scott Stuewe, DirectTrust*

# Civitas Updates

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# Upcoming Speaking Engagements!

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# Upcoming Events

- Join us for the second in our [Member Roundtable series](#) [focused on Navigating Exchange, Management, and Use of Sensitive Reproductive Health Data](#) on Tuesday, January 24 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. ET.
- We have a lot planned for February! Stay tuned for invites and information.
- Check out our [Civitas Events calendar](#) for more information on upcoming events!

# Civitas and MHCC Release HDU Issue Brief!

The HDU Issue Brief outlines the history, current state, and drivers for the emergence and advancement of HDUs, and intends to solidify and clarify the concept of HDUs in addressing population and public health and advancing health equity.

[View the Brief Here](#)

## Advancing Implementation

## of Health Data Utility Models

### Issue Brief

December 2022

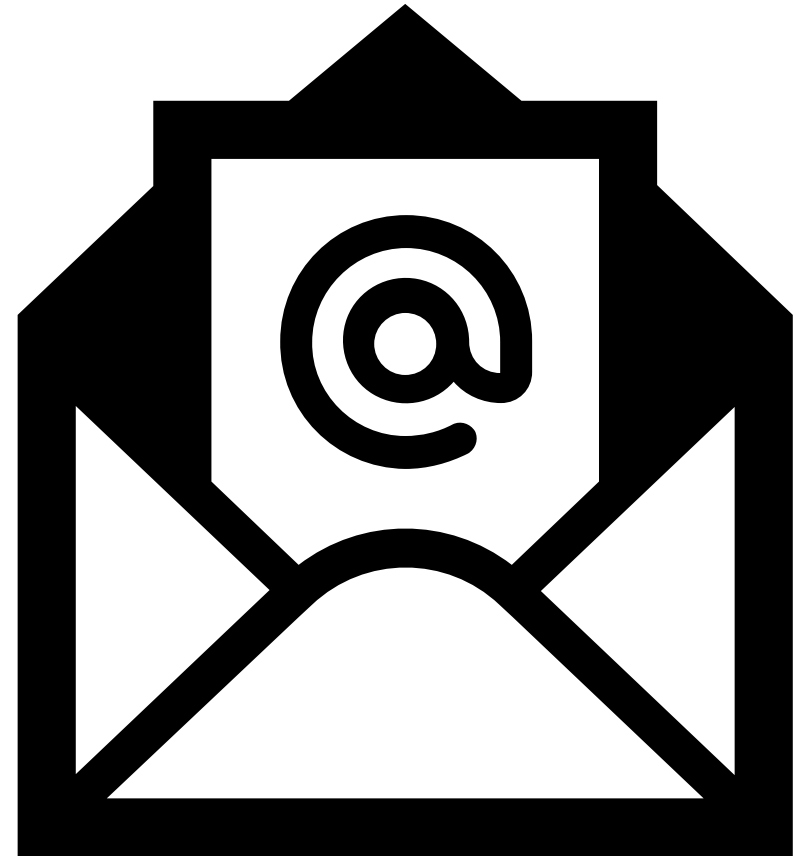
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# All Invoices Have Been Sent Out!

If you have not received your invoice for your 2023 membership dues or have any questions or concerns about your invoice, please reach out to Nikki Lluveras-Hernandez.

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# HIMSS 23

*April 17-21, 2023  
Chicago, IL*

***HIMSS Member rate available! Enter Civitas as referring Collaborator Organization. Early Bird deadline is January 23<sup>rd</sup>.***

<https://www.himss.org/global-conference>



# *HIMSS & Civitas Networks for Health Luncheon*

Wednesday, April 19

This luncheon offers a unique and intimate opportunity to meet and mingle with health information exchange leaders and decision-makers to discuss challenges, best practices and future opportunities via this rapidly changing landscape.

**[See exclusive sponsorship details.](#)**

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**80%** of HIMSS22 attendees said they were extremely likely to recommend attending HIMSS23 to a colleague.

**40k** professionals throughout the global health ecosystem meet to build relationships during lively networking events.

# Gravity Project® and Civitas Update

- Gravity Pilots Affinity Group Monthly Meeting
  - Thursday, January 26th from 2:30 to 4:00 pm ET - join meeting [here](#)
  - All are invited to formally join the group [here](#)
- Stay tuned for Gravity Info. Session on February 2, 2023
  - Gravity Overview
  - Lessons Learned from Gravity Pilots Phase 1
  - What's on the Horizon (Connectathon Takeaways, Industry Synergies)
  - How to Engage in Gravity Standards Implementation in Pilots Phase 2
- Phase 2 of Gravity Pilots and Affinity Group
  - RFA in development for release week of January 26th
  - Opportunity for early-stage pilot projects using Gravity data standards to facilitate the exchange of SDOH data to receive specialized training and technical assistance.
  - Focus on the Tier 2 testing, the public health use cases, and health equity
- More details to come on additional opportunities to participate in Gravity implementation efforts

**New Member Welcome**

The logo for Colorado Community Managed Care Network (CCMCN) is displayed in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters on a dark gray rectangular background.

## Colorado Community Managed Care Network

- Join us in welcoming new Civitas Affiliate member **Colorado Community Managed Care Network (CCMCN)**!
- CCMCN is a safety-net focused data and technology organization that targets community-level improvements with a preference for supporting racial and health equity projects. The Civitas model is directly aligned with the kind of national association and peer group that the organization can benefit from.

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# Civitas Member News

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- [Comagine Health](#) Launches Award for COVID Vigilance in Long-Term Care Facilities.
- [Contexture](#) announces no fees ever for critical access hospitals and rural health clinics in Colorado and Arizona.
- [KONZA National Network](#) announced their QHIN application is complete and has been accepted for review by the Sequoia Project.
- [Lyniate](#) recently launched HealthTerm Version 15.2 which introduces mapset versioning.
- [Manifest MedEx](#) Earns Validated Data Stream Designation in NCQA Data Aggregator Validation Program for Measure Year 2022.

# Member News

- [Midwest Health Initiative](#) released a new report announcing health care spending growth targets for 2023, 2024, and 2025.
- [Telligen](#) introduced their CodeX Quality Measures for Cancer use case in partnership with multiple leading oncology professional societies, clinical leaders, payers, and other partners.
- [Texas Health Services Authority \(THSA\)](#) and PointClickCare expand the Emergency Department Encounter Notification system to improve care outcomes across the State of Texas.
- The [West Virginia Health Information Network \(WVHIN\)](#) was among 22 recipients that received ONC funding via the CARES Act.
- [Zen Healthcare IT](#) compiled helpful meeting highlights from the Carequality and eHealth Exchange Annual Meeting in Dec. of 2022.



# **Civitas Membership: Getting the Most Out Of Your Benefits**

# Committees, Councils, and Workgroups

## Committees

- Refers to Committees of the Board
- Either required in bylaws (Executive, Finance, Audit, and Compliance, or Nominating) or created as directed by the Board for a short or long-term purpose (e.g., PCDH).
- Must be chaired by a Board member
- May have Committee members who are not Board members.
- Governed by a charter with terms outlined in the bylaws.

## Councils

- Function as either short- or long-term advisory councils to the Civitas Board and leadership (e.g., Government Relations and Advocacy, Emerging Leaders, National HDU Advisory).
- Structured, named membership. Generally restricted to Full/Affiliate members.
- Must be chaired by at least one Civitas member, usually a Full Member.
- If Chair/co-chair is not a Board member, should have Board representation on the Council.
- Governed by a charter with terms defined by the Council.

## Workgroups

- Member-lead workgroups on important topics or issues (e.g., SDOH data and interoperability, health data research, marketing and communications).
- Normally may be chaired and attended by members from all categories.
- Should have specific deliverables throughout the year to keep work productive, e.g., the publication of the Civitas SDOH member compendium.
- Governed by a charter with terms defined by the workgroup.

# Civitas Workgroups

Workgroup	Chair	Frequency
Social Determinants of Health Data and Interoperability	Lance Butler, (MyHealth Access Network), Tracy Carver (Comagine Health), Ron Whiting (KC Health Collaborative)	Monthly
Health Data Research	Eliel de Oliveira (UT Austin) Larra Petersen-Lukenda (CyncHealth)	Monthly
Digital Measures and Measurement	Sarah Cotter (HEALTHeLINK) one open seat	Monthly
Standards and Technology	Nance Shatzkin (Bronx RHIO), Alex Vaillancourt (The Health Collaborative)	Monthly
Executive Leaders Forum	Gabrielle Rude (WCHQ) Kyle Russell (VHI)	Quarterly
Marketing and Communications	Tina Feldman (kno2) Sarita Choy (Manifest MedEx)	Quarterly
Annual Conference Host Committee	Kelley Gallagher (CRISP) Phil Beckett (c3HIE)	To be determined
Public Health	TBD	TBD, likely quarterly

# We Are Planning a Public Health Workgroup!



We aim to launch this workgroup in Q1 of 2023.



We are looking for a co-chair. Please email [jritzo@civitasforhealth.org](mailto:jritzo@civitasforhealth.org) if you are interested in this leadership opportunity.

# Visit the Member Area

The [Civitas Member Area](#) is a section of our website with **exclusive member resources, event recordings and materials, programming, toolkits member lists** and more.

Also check out other helpful pages on the website:

[About: Board](#)

[Advocacy](#)

[Resources](#)

Member Area - Civitas Networks x +  
https://www.civitasforhealth.org/memberarea/

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MEMBERS IMPACT ABOUT EVENTS CONTACT

## Member Area

Welcome to the Civitas Member Area. Here you have access to Civitas member-only content, resources, cost saving shared services and collaboration opportunities. Please contact us if you need assistance finding what you are looking for.

[PROGRAMMING](#) [SHARED SERVICES](#) [MEMBER DIRECTORY](#) [TOOLKITS](#)

[COUNCILS AND WORKGROUPS](#) [PARTNERSHIP AND PROCUREMENT GUIDE](#)

### Civitas Programming

Access the recordings, presentations and materials from past Civitas member events.

**November Network News**  
December 2, 2022

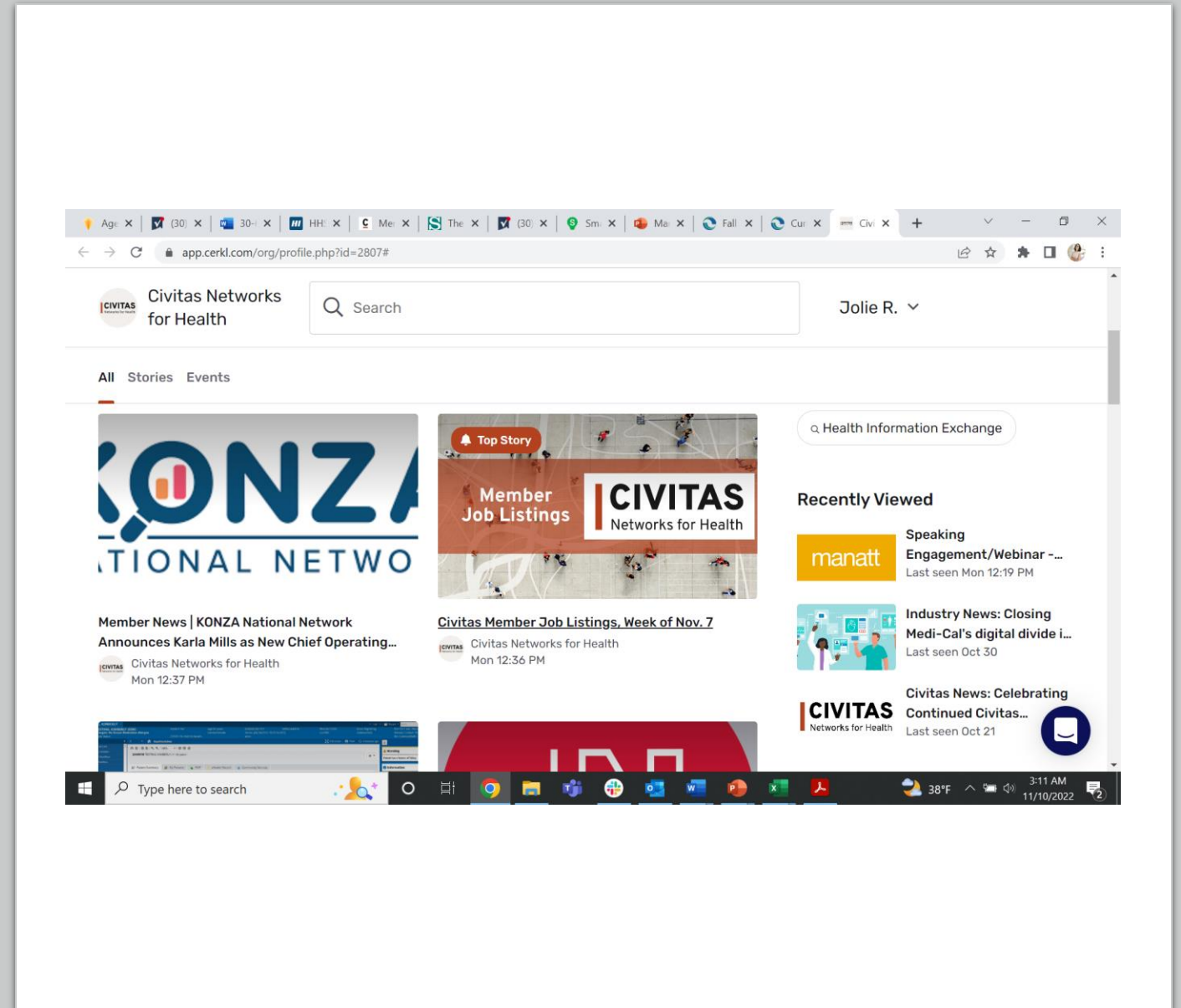
On Wednesday, Nov. 16, Civitas Networks for Health members from across the

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# Reminder!

- **Subscribe to our newsletter!**
- We share member news, relevant industry updates, member job postings, and important Civitas event invitations.
- The national newsletter reaches ~2,200 subscribers. We invite you to share this with others.



# Have Questions About Your Member Benefits?

Please reach out to Nadim Choudhury, Member Services Associate, [nchoudhury@civitasforhealth.org](mailto:nchoudhury@civitasforhealth.org), if you have any questions about your benefits or how to get more engaged in network offerings.



# Spotlight Presentation – DirectTrust Update





# DirectTrust and the EHNAC Merger

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# Agenda

- Our **motivations**
- Impact on **our organization**
- Impact on the **industry**
- A **single** source
- **Consensus** – what sets us apart



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# Our “Why”

## Accreditation is the Foundation of Trust



**Goal:** Improve **health** for all people

Improving **care** experience will improve health

**Interoperability** impacts care experience and costs

Interoperability relies on **standards-based exchange**

The utilization of standards facilitates **information flow**

Information flow requires parties to **trust** one another

*Trust requires confidence in **privacy, security, and identity***

**Confidence** is assured through trustworthy accreditation

**Accreditation** Governance overseen by diverse stakeholders

# Organization Impact

## Our Four Focus Areas

At DirectTrust, we're a non-profit, vendor-neutral community dedicated to instilling trust in health data exchange through four focus areas.



### Membership

Gathering health constituents in community to develop policy and best practices, share knowledge, and advance industry efforts

### Standards

Developing conformity practices for disparate organizations to trust, communicate, and exchange with each other

### Accreditation

Verifying and certifying conformance with established policies and criteria through **EHNAC** (Electronic Healthcare Network Accreditation Commission)

### Trust Services

Supporting industry through trust frameworks, promoting identity proofing/credentials, network facilitation, Directory services, and certificate issuance

# EHNAC is Now part of DirectTrust

As of January 4, 2023

EHNAC is joining the **DirectTrust** family



DirectTrust™



EHNAC



*“Instilling Trust In Exchange”*

*“Trust is Everything in Healthcare”*

# *Why the Merger?*

## Embracing our Similarities

DirectTrust and EHNAC are organizations with complementary missions.

### Both DirectTrust and EHNAC

- are non-profit 501c6 organizations,
- are centered around trust,
- provide accreditation,
- develop and promote standards, and
- operate as a convener.

# Coming Together – Fast Facts

## DirectTrust™

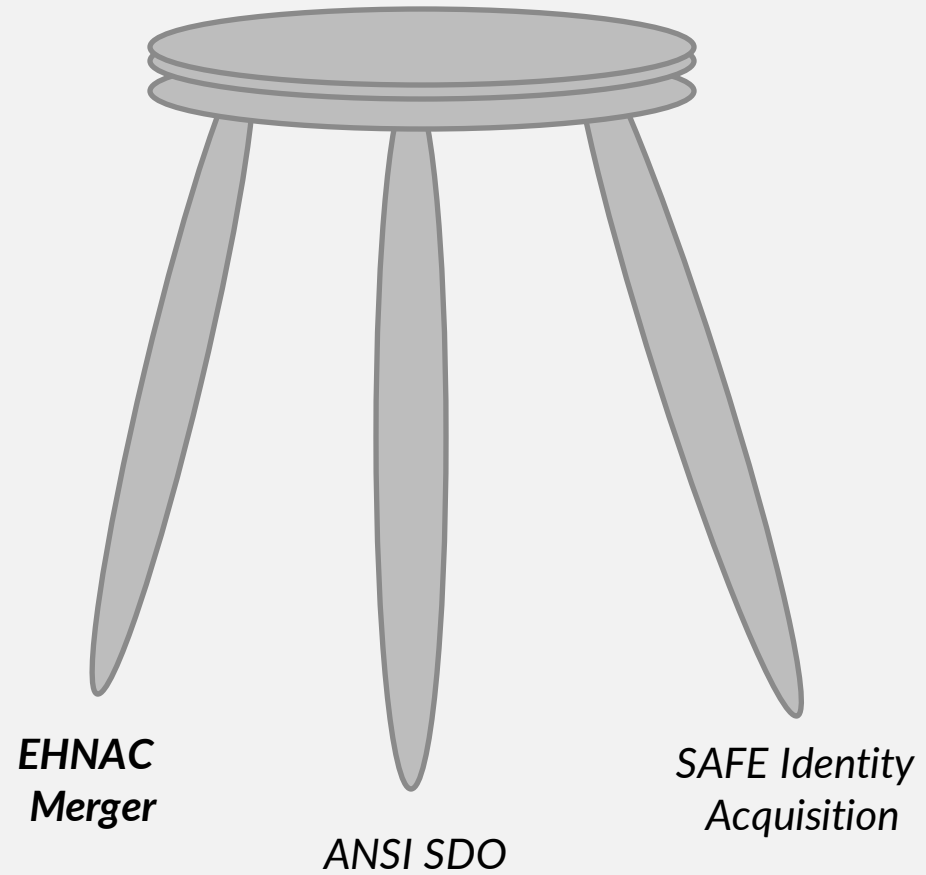
- **Founded in 2012**
  - Mission to create simple, secure, **identity assured**, ubiquitous exchange mechanisms and policies through a consensus-based process
  - Known for Direct Secure Messaging, but since 2018 has worked to generalize the trust framework's capabilities
  - Services for Sequoia and TEFCA Certificate Issuance by accredited parties

## Electronic Healthcare Network Accreditation Commission (EHNAC – “The Commission”)

- **Founded in 1995**
  - Mission to independently establish, measure and enforce standards and policy for **privacy and security** in healthcare networks
  - First program was for healthcare networks carrying administrative transactions: now there are over 20 programs for networks of all kinds
  - Today, a single source as a non-profit, healthcare focused accreditor and HITRUST Assessor

*The two organizations collaborated in 2012 to create the accreditation program for DirectTrust network operators – Health Information Service Providers, Certificate Authorities and Registration Authorities*

# Generalizing Trust





# *After the Merger:*

## Your Single Source

*DirectTrust is the industry's non-profit healthcare focused compliance partner*

- **Convene and contribute** to policies/standards/best practices
  - DirectTrust workgroups and roundtables – beyond Direct Secure Messaging
  - Participation in the Criteria Council under the Commission – Join us!
- **Accreditation/certification** verifying trust obligations are met
  - EHNAC Programs + DirectTrust Programs to be incorporated
  - HITRUST Assessment through a team of seasoned healthcare professionals
- **Technical identity assurance** – knowing and trusting exchange partners
  - Current services – Direct Secure Messaging, and Query based Data exchange
  - New work – Credential Service Provider accreditation

# Consensus in the Trust Framework and the Criteria Council

Through the Lens of a  
Defined Community

Inputs:



Federal Standards – 800-53 – 800-63 Technical Standards Standards and Regulations Pertinent to Community



*Appropriate stakeholders including relying parties to develop policies*

**Output:** Policies that solve identity challenges unique to a constituency



*Appropriate stakeholders develop criteria from standards and policies*

**Output:** Criteria to evaluate compliance with policy and conformance with standards



# Questions?

What questions do you have for us?

Visit [bit.ly/DTEHNAC](https://bit.ly/DTEHNAC) for more information and our FAQs.

# Thank you!

- Make sure you're following us on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#) for the latest news!
- Reach out to [Admin@DirectTrust.org](mailto:Admin@DirectTrust.org) if you have additional questions



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