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Free Health Information Technology Online Course Open for Registration

The New Mexico Health Information Collaborative (NMHIC) is very pleased to introduce **HICATT**, a FREE online informatics training course for healthcare professionals, is now open for registration. HICATT is the Health Informatics Curriculum and Training for Transformation. The curriculum is funded by a grant from the Office of National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), and NMHIC was awarded as a subrecipient under the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston – School of Biomedical Informatics (SBMI).

Any currently employed health care professional working in hospitals, clinics, long-term care facilities, accountable care organizations, and other settings are eligible to participate. Students will upgrade their health informatics knowledge, improve the quality of health care in their communities, and gain new skills to advance in their profession.

The course offers learners a choice of four tracks of the full curriculum, each with recorded lectures and slides, quizzes, optional activities, and required course assessments. The four tracks will take between 12-15 hours to complete and contain material on: population health management, value-based care purchasing, patient-centered care, health care data analytics, and care coordination and interoperability of health IT systems. NMHIC will also offer in-person tutorial workshops covering the data analytics content.

For more information, visit: GO.UTH.EDU/HICATT, e-mail April Salisbury at LCF Research/NMHIC at april@nmhic.org, or call (505) 938-9925 or 1-866-586-7802, ext. 9925.

About LCF Research

LCF Research is a non-profit knowledge and information based organization that has led healthcare improvement initiatives in New Mexico for more than 20 years. Our mission is to improve the quality, access, and cost-effectiveness of health care provided to the US population by conducting research in healthcare delivery and public health, providing continuing professional education, and advancing the meaningful use of health information technology. www.lcfresearch.org

About NMHIC

LCF Research staffs and operates the New Mexico Health Information Collaborative (NMHIC), the state's health information exchange (HIE) network. The HIE allows health care providers to access patient information from health care organizations that participate in NMHIC. LCF Research continues to develop NMHIC in collaboration with stakeholders in the New Mexico health care delivery system. For more information, visit <https://www.nmhc.org/>.

About SBMI

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston – School of Biomedical Informatics (SBMI), formerly known as the School of Health Information Sciences (SHIS), was founded in 1972 as the School of Allied Health

Sciences. The school is the newest of the six UTHealth schools. [UTHealth](#) is located in the world-renowned [Texas Medical Center](#) (TMC), one of the largest medical centers in the world. The mission of The University of Texas School of Biomedical Informatics (SBMI) is to educate future scientists and professionals in biomedical informatics and health information technology, conduct informatics research to improve health care and advance biomedical discovery and develop advanced informatics tools to solve problems in health care.