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South Dakota Health Link Announces 10th Annual Fall Forum

PIERRE, SD – South Dakota's health information exchange, Health Link, will host its 10th Annual Fall Forum on Oct. 10, 2024, at the Sioux Falls Convention Center from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT. This event is designed to bring together healthcare professionals, exhibitors, and stakeholders from across the state to discuss and learn about the latest developments in health information exchange. The goal of the forum is to foster collaboration and innovation, helping participants understand how Health Link's tools and services can improve patient care, enhance healthcare efficiency, and ensure better health outcomes for all South Dakotans.

"The South Dakota Health Link Fall Forum is a cornerstone event that highlights the importance of a health information exchange in improving patient care across South Dakota," said South Dakota Department of Health Secretary Melissa Magstadt. "We look forward to welcoming participants and exhibitors to this year's forum and continuing our work to enhance healthcare delivery."

Event Details:

• Date: October 10, 2024

• Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Sioux Falls Convention Center, 1201 West Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Registration for the Fall Forum is now open. Attendees can register here: Fall Forum Attendee Registration.

Limited sponsorship opportunities and exhibitor spaces are also available. Exhibitors interested in showcasing their organization and services must do so by Sept. 26, 2024, and can register here: Fall Forum Exhibitor Registration.

The forum agenda is available <u>here</u>, providing a detailed overview of the sessions, speakers, and topics that will be covered. For additional information about the event, please visit the official website: <u>SD Health Link Fall Forum</u>.

About South Dakota Health Link: South Dakota Health Link is the state's Health Information Exchange (HIE), connecting healthcare providers to securely share patient information. This exchange enhances care coordination, reduces medical errors, and ensures that vital health data is accessible when needed. By providing comprehensive patient records across different care settings, Health Link helps improve healthcare outcomes and supports public health initiatives.

At the heart of the Department of Health's mission is a simple goal: to protect and improve the health of all South Dakotans. The department is entrusted with the vital task of promoting wellness, preventing disease, and ensuring access to quality healthcare for all South Dakotans.