### **School of Health Information Science Seminar:**

# Health Informatics Education at the University of Toronto: Past, Present, and Future



Speaker:

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In 2006, the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (HPME) and the Faculty of Information at the University of Toronto partnered to develop the first Master's program in Health Informatics in central Canada, for which I was recruited in 2007. The program launched in September 2008, with 7 students. It now has more than 100 students in two streams- regular and executive. In addition, the department- which turned into the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (IHPME) offers research emphases in Health Informatics and Health Artificial Intelligence as part of it's Msc and PhD program in Health Systems Research.

In this presentation I will discuss the evolution of Health Informatics programs at UofT and program orientation and competencies. I will describe on-going efforts to improve and adapt the programs to changes in the field and will offer a look into future directions.

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