

# NURSES IN IS AND INFORMATICS

A Panel Discussion

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# THE COCKTAIL PARTY QUESTION

What do you do?



# I'M A NURSE IN HEALTHCARE IT

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# EDUCATION – THE TEACHER

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Clinical EMR Educator / Instructional Designer

# BOTTOM LINE ON TOP: THE MORAL OF MY STORY

## A JUNGLE GYM – NOT A CAREER LADDER

- Baylor Bear – Industrial Organizational Psychology
- HR Outsourcing – Client Analyst and Project Manager
- Second Career Nurse - Nursing Student with an iPod
- New Nurse Grunt Work = New Career Path
- Ten trips to Madison, WI and 4 Epic Certifications later
- Making my rounds around the TMC to find my home at TCH

# A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING

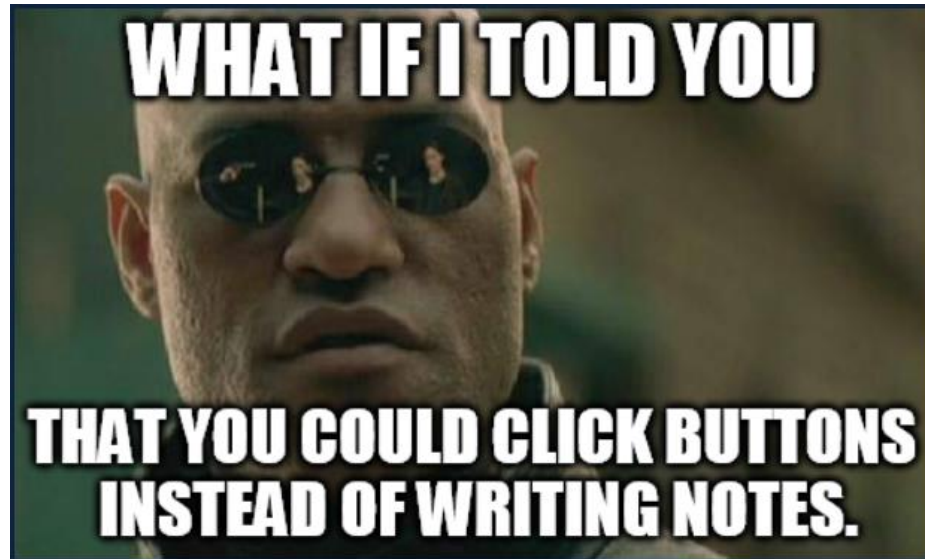
- Did you read your tip sheet?



# DOES TRAINING = NURSING INFORMATICS?



# INNOVATE AND DISRUPT HEALTHCARE



# BUSINESS SYSTEMS ANALYST – THE LIAISON

Bella V. Belleza-Bascon, BSN, RN, MHA

Lead Business Systems Analyst

## BELLA: QUICK FACTS

- Roots – There's a reason why I live in Houston!
- Family – wife, mother, daughter
- Career – diverse nursing experience
- Passion – promoting the best customer experience through engagement, empowerment, technology and training
- Aspirations – interests, balance, professional and personal growth

# JOURNEY TO HEALTH INFORMATICS

## Clinical Research

Patient Enrollment,  
Care

Data Collection, Data  
Entry

## Pedi Surgery, The Fetal Center

Logician -Super User

Care Coordination  
Tools

Databases

Outcomes Research and  
Reporting

## Epic PFW Project

Clinical Subject  
Matter Expert

Ambulatory Build  
Analyst

Epic Implementation

# JOURNEY TO HEALTH INFORMATICS

## Pediatric Subspecialty Services

Sr. Business Systems Analyst  
Epic and Nursing operations  
End User support in transition to new EMR, optimizations, updates and upgrades  
Liaison between users and Epic  
Production Support

## IS Clinical Enterprise Systems

BSA Team Lead – system scope  
EMR  
Other clinical technologies  
Projects impacting patient care and systems integration  
Collaboration/Partnerships

## ROLE AND SCOPE

- System-wide scope
- Collaborate with stakeholders to identify system issues, clinical and business process needs; ensures effective functioning and use of the EMR, clinical technologies, integrating systems and applications
- Serve as liaison for the end users to IS and the Epic Production teams, supporting continued system maintenance and optimization.

## ROLE AND SCOPE

- Customer engagement through integrated IS team rounds; systems health check
- Workflow consultation, analysis, optimization
- Project management/coordination/support
  - projects tied to Meaningful Use, USNWR, HIMSS 7, DSRIP, Quality and Safety, NSI, Magnet, JCAHO, etc.



## ONCE A NURSE...ALWAYS ONE, AT BEDSIDE OR IS

- Focus on the PATIENT and the patient experience.
- Use the Nursing Process.
- Embrace technology; it comes hand in hand with quality and safe patient care
- Explore informatics!
- Become a subject matter expert; volunteer in technology implementation projects; take courses.
- Keep an informatics specialist in your BFF list.

# CLINICAL INFORMATICS - THE TEAM WITHIN

Chantay Johnson, RN BSN, Heather McCarthy, RN, BSN  
Clinical Informaticists

## WHO WE ARE

- Chantay's Story
- Heather's Story

## WHAT IS CLINICAL INFORMATICS AT TCH?

- Role that has been defined along the way
- Improving patient safety
- Influencing the nursing workflow with technology
- Leveraging data to improve outcomes

## REMAINING GROUNDED IN NURSING

- Partner with bedside nurses
- Foster relationships
- Be the advocate for your fellow nurses
- Change is good
- Remember the patients

# SYSTEMS ANALYST – THE MASTER BUILDER

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Senior Systems Analyst

# WHO AM I?

- Valencia Kareem RN, BSN, MBA

## Education:

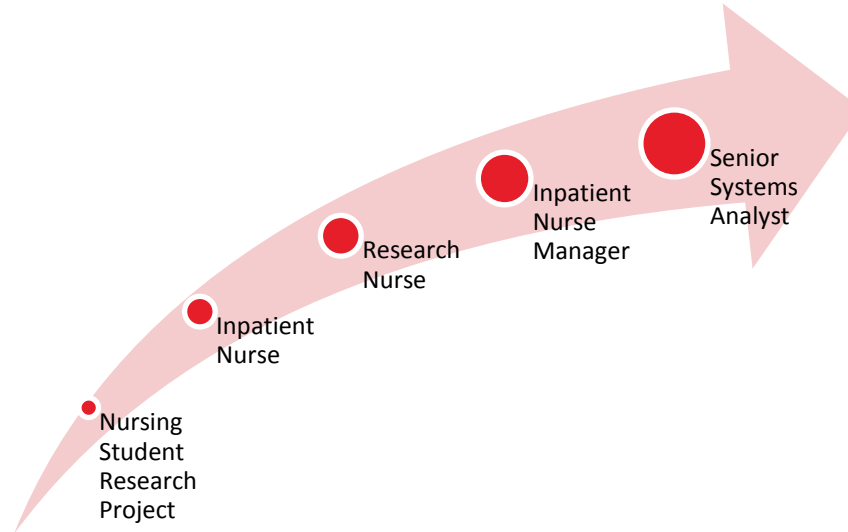
- Prairie View A&M University (BSN)
- Houston Baptist University (MBA)

## Epic Certifications

- Epicare Inpatient Procedure Orders
- Beacon Oncology Information System

## HOW DID I ENTER INFORMATICS?

The Journey from Inpatient Pediatric Nursing to Information Services.





# SENIOR SYSTEMS ANALYST- EPIC PRODUCTION SUPPORT

## My Role:

- Application configuration and End User Support
- Beacon Oncology Information System Implementation Project

## HOW DO YOU RETAIN YOUR NURSE HAT AND ADVICE?

- How do you remain grounded in nursing away from the bedside?
- Advice on how to enter the Informatics market?
  - Seek opportunities to be involved in any special projects in your current facility.
  - Networking

# LEADERSHIP – THE VISIONARY

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Director, Enterprise Systems Clinical

# WHO AM I

- Career History
  - Nursing Student to IT Director



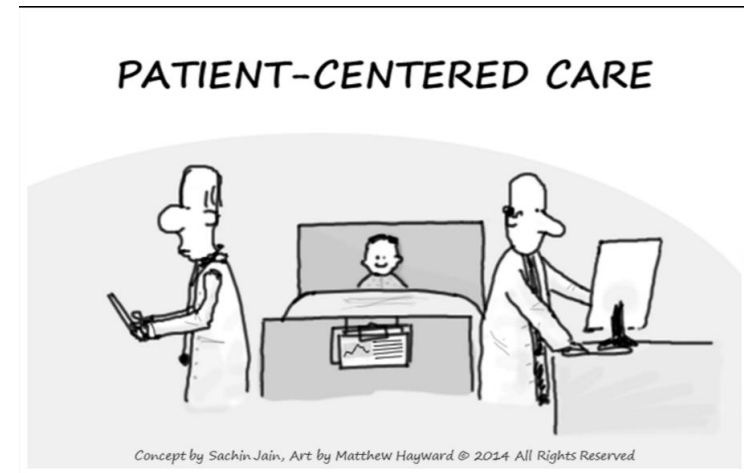
## HOW DID I ENTER INFORMATICS

- Epic, what's an Epic project?



# DIRECTOR ENTERPRISE SYSTEMS CLINICAL

- Clinical Systems implementation, maintenance, and education
  - Safe, Secure, Reliable while advancing technology to improve outcomes



# ONCE A NURSE, ALWAYS A NURSE





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