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The Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT) in coordination with the Arkansas Regional Extension Center will host events observing National Health Information Technology Week, September 12 - 16, 2011. The week's events to be held in Arkansas include the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) for Health Information Technology launch of the Consumer Health IT Program web summit and the National eHealth Collaborative webinar providing an introductory HIT Orientation.

### **Monday, September 12 from 12 pm - 1:30 pm**

The ONC web summit will highlight consumers, providers, and private sector leaders' best practices, and federal efforts to empower consumers to access and use their own health information to become partners in their health. Federal health and technology leaders, including Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and Surgeon General Regina Benjamin will participate and pledge to help consumers engage in their own care through health IT.

Also on **Wednesday, September 14 from 12 pm - 1:30 pm**, the National eHealth Collaborative will host a webinar providing an orientation on Health IT. The webinar will be presented by Gwenn Darlinger, Project Manager, Blue Cross Blue Shield Association and is designed for interested participants new to HIT or those interested in a refresher course on HIT basics.

Attendants are welcome to brown bag these events and participate in the summit and webinar in the OHIT conference room.

To participate in the Consumer Health IT program web summit and/or the HIT Orientation, please RSVP to [shawna.edwards@hit.arkansas.gov](mailto:shawna.edwards@hit.arkansas.gov). For more information on National Health IT week events, please contact Shawna Edwards at 501.410.1990.

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