



## SUMMIT SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY



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Debbie received her Masters in Healthcare Administration from the University of Missouri-Columbia in December 2006. Debbie joined Indiana Health Information Exchange in August 2006. She is the Program Director for Clinical Messaging Services. Debbie's professional and personal experiences with health care have led to her passion for the health information exchange model of health care data delivery to physicians. Debbie works with health care data providers throughout Indiana and is looking to share the benefits of health information exchange to health care providers within and outside of Indiana.

For five years before joining Indiana Health Information Exchange, Debbie was the Director of Information Technology for Allied Physicians in South Bend Indiana, a multispecialty management services organization. During that time, Debbie spent a great deal of her time interacting with the physicians to determine what their clinical and business needs were and then set about matching technology to address those needs. In addition, Debbie worked closely with the central business office staff and implemented technology to streamline their operations for billing and insurance follow-up. Debbie improved the network architecture, upgraded servers, and implemented data reporting applications, a document imaging system, formed an electronic health record committee to move the organization forward towards implementing electronic health records in the eight specialty physician offices. Debbie worked with the hospital systems in South Bend, connecting the physician offices to the hospital systems again for more efficient data delivery. In addition, Debbie worked closely with Michiana Health Information Network, the Health Information Exchange in the Michiana area. She served as co-chairman on the physician deployment project, volunteered to be a member of a care coordination project, and worked closely with the physicians to be sure their data needs were met as efficiently as possible.