

*Tuesday, February 12, 3:30PM-5:00PM  
Concurrent Breakout Session D*

***Electronic Medical Records***

Moderator: Debra Musa, NYS Office of Mental Retardation & Developmental Disabilities, Schenectady, NY

**Dan Rode**, American Health Information Management Association, Washington, DC

**Andrew Barbash**, Neurosciences, Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Springs, MD

**Ann Phelps**, Birth Defects Epidemiology & Surveillance, Texas Department of State Health Services, Austin, TX

Dan Rode will give the background on electronic health records (EHR), including legal aspects, HIPAA, confidentiality issues, what is considered the legal health record, etc.

Andrew Barbash will speak on his experiences with implementing an EHR, how abstractors and auditors gain access, how the record is organized, how a record is determined to be complete, how & who has access to update/revise a record, coding of EHR vs paper.

Ann Phelps will describe the Texas Birth Defects Registry experience with remote access to electronic medical records and the pros/cons for the registry as well as the hospital.