

BLOCKCHAIN HEALTHCARE SITUATION REPORT (BC/HC SITREP)

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WELCOME

Last week the focus was money, this week it's operations and the law.

And there's still some links to awesome free stuff care of BHTY and Hashed Health.

Change Healthcare rolls out its blockchain network. They are out of the gate while others are still registering for the race. Big Pharma is next.

Florida, Nebraska, and Tennessee have pending legislation recognizing blockchain, joining Maine, Hawaii, Illinois, North Dakota and California.

Arizona, Nevada, and Vermont have already passed similar laws.

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BLOCKCHAIN HEALTHCARE NEWS

Change Healthcare launches blockchain platform

Change Healthcare executives this week announced that their Intelligent Healthcare Network blockchain is up and running and already processing more than 50 million claims daily.

<https://www.nashvillepost.com/business/health-care/article/20988283/change-healthcare-launches-blockchain-platform>

Big Pharma Seeks DLT Solution for Drug Costs

Pfizer, Amgen and Sanofi...are now eyeing blockchain as a means of streamlining the process of developing and testing new drugs. Speaking exclusively to CoinDesk, representatives from the companies shed light on how they are combining efforts to develop a blockchain framework that can address current logjams in the clinical trials process.

"The issue that we all struggle with in pharma is ... the fact that data is fragmented. If you see five different physicians, you end up with data stored in five different systems," said Munther Baara (Pfizer). "The beauty with the blockchain is the control is with the individual."

<https://www.coindesk.com/blockchain-day-big-pharma-seeks-dlt-solution-drug-costs/>

Are blockchain and AI the keys to unlocking interoperability in healthcare?

Physicians...spend two-thirds of their time doing paperwork rather than actually caring for patients. For every hour they spend with a patient, physicians have to spend two more completing paperwork and working on

electronic health records, reviewing test results, logging information, writing medication orders and other tasks.

<http://medicaleconomics.modernmedicine.com/medical-economics/news/are-blockchain-and-ai-keys-unlocking-interopability-healthcare>

Healthcare at CES 2018: Blockchain, Blue Button and interoperability among hot topics

Health data sharing, telemedicine, even federal value-based payment plans were all part of the excitement at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

<http://www.healthcareitnews.com/news/healthcare-ces-2018-blockchain-blue-button-and-interopability-among-hot-topics>

BLOCKCHAIN NEWS

Florida Bill Would Legally Recognize Blockchain Signatures, Smart Contracts

A lawmaker in Florida has introduced a bill that, if passed, would create a legal foundation for blockchain data and smart contracts in the U.S. state.

<https://www.coindesk.com/florida-bill-legally-recognize-blockchain-signatures-smart-contracts/>

Nebraska Lawmaker Files 3 Blockchain Bills

A lawmaker in Nebraska has filed a trio of bills focused on blockchain and cryptocurrencies.

<https://www.coindesk.com/nebraska-lawmaker-files-3-blockchain-bills/>

Tennessee Might Also Recognize Blockchain Data Through Proposed Law

A lawmaker in Tennessee has filed a new bill that recognizes blockchain signatures as legal electronic records, marking the latest legislative effort to do so in recent weeks.

<https://www.coindesk.com/tennessee-might-also-recognize-blockchain-data-proposed-law/>

BLOCKCHAIN HEALTHCARE RESOURCES (FREE)

First Issue of Blockchain in Healthcare Today (BHTY) coming in January 2018

BHTY is a free, open access scholarly journal where peer reviewed work is presented on an unbiased and objective forum. To register and receive content:

<https://blockchainhealthcaredtoday.com/index.php/journal/user/register>

Hashed Health introduces Hashed Collective

Hashed Collective is a free, open forum for communication, content, and events related to emerging healthcare blockchain projects and communities. Our mission is to make it easy for individuals to connect, empower themselves (and each other), and become a part of the blockchain conversation in healthcare. With Hashed Collective, you will be a part of the powerful global community forming around us. This community shares an interest in promoting how we account for our greatest asset: our health.

<https://hashedhealth.com/welcome-to-hashed-collective/>