The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Presents

Annual International Health Care Symposium

The 13th International Symposium on Human Factors and Ergonomics in Health Care to Feature Innovations and Best Practices to Transform Training, Safety and Success in Health Care

Washington, D.C.— The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES) will host the 13th International Symposium on Human Factors and Ergonomics in Health Care on March 24-27, 2024, at the Hilton Chicago Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. This event serves as the premier conference at the intersection of human factors and health care and will feature five tracks, including Digital Health, Hospital Environments, Patient Safety Research and Initiatives, Simulation and Education and Medical and Drug Delivery Devices.

"This prestigious event is an opportunity to bring together experts, researchers, practitioners and industry professionals from around the world to discuss and exchange ideas about human factors and ergonomics in the healthcare industry," said Joseph R. Keebler, PhD, HFES's Health Care Symposium Chair. "Attendees will gain exposure and knowledge to diverse topics, cutting-edge research and valuable insights into new methodologies technologies and tools to enhance patient safety, optimize workflows and improve healthcare outcomes. We look forward to providing an open platform to discuss real-world problems and explore practical solutions in the multidimensional sphere of human factors and ergonomics in healthcare."

The keynote address will be given by Rollin J. "Terry" Fairbanks, MD, MS, Senior Vice President and Chief Quality & Safety Officer at MedStar Health and Professor of Emergency Medicine at Georgetown University. His address, "Human Factors Opportunities and Challenges in our Future Healthcare System", will be held on Monday, March 25th from 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. CDT in the Grand Ballroom.

Other sessions will include several topics, including artificial intelligence (AI), digital health, extended reality in human factors, safety investigations, simulations to improve design, training and coordination and much more. The symposium will also announce the winners of the student design competition for Mobile Health Applications for End Users. The entries will showcase the application of human factors/ergonomics (HF/E) methods and design principles for the design of a mobile health application for end users and how an HF/E approach to such an application can lead to a useful, usable and satisfying user experience while simultaneously improving patient outcomes such as knowledge, safety, adherence or health.

For more details and additional information on the symposium, please visit: https://www.hfes.org/Events/Health-Care-Symposium

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Founded in 1957, HFES is the world's largest scientific association for human factors/ergonomics professionals. HFES serves the needs of members and the public by promoting and advancing the discovery and exchange of knowledge concerning the characteristics of human beings that are applicable to the design of systems, products, tools, and environments of all kinds. The society's more than 3,000 members work in educational institutions, companies, government and military research centers, and independent consultancies in 58 countries. For more information, please visit https://www.hfes.org/.