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**2011 Future of Health Technology Award
To be Presented to Dr. Craig F. Feied of Microsoft and Georgetown**



HOPKINTON, Mass., Sept. 12, 2011—Dr. Craig Feied of Microsoft Health Solutions Group and Georgetown University has been named the recipient of the 2011 Future of Health Technology Award for his pioneering work in medical software, it was announced today.

Dr. Feied, a specialist in emergency medicine, is a pioneer in medical informatics, which combines the disciplines of computer science, information science and health care to optimize the use of information in patient services and research.

He conceived and was instrumental in the development of Amalga® software architecture for the real-time integration of medical data. And, through the EROne Institutes for Innovation in Medicine, which he helped found, he has brought hundreds of innovative ideas to life.

“Dr. Feied is a visionary physician who recognized that medical informatics is the key to the success of modern medicine and what he calls ‘absolute diagnosis,’ rather than relying on humans and their clinical judgments,” said Renata Bushko, founder of FHTI. “There is just too much to know and the information grows and changes too quickly for humans to keep up.

She added that Dr. Feied’s strategy for a new era of global wellness derives from medical informatics and its potential to distill massive amounts of data in a systems approach that can yield unambiguous tests to prove or disprove each diagnosis. One outcome of that shift might be new types of medical schools, where students are taught 50 percent traditional medicine and 50 percent informatics and system sciences.

The Future of Health Technology Award is given annually to breakthrough thinkers whose work can help reduce suffering, maximize the potential for self-realization and extend human potential with technology. The award will be presented Sept. 26 during the annual Future of Health Technology Summit™ at the MIT Faculty Club.

The award is in the form of a statue of Pegasus, the winged horse of inspiration. It features crystal eyes and one extra nano-diamond eye in the middle of the forehead to reflect extra insight that future health technologies will provide. Apollo Diamond provided the laboratory-grown diamond crystal.

About The Future of Health Technology Institute

The Future of Health Technology Institute in Hopkinton, Mass., is the leading health technology think tank dedicated to defining the health technology agenda for the 21st century. The institute was established to identify the most promising technologies to improve the quality of health care and to define promising health technology research areas needed to meet future health challenges. Renata Bushko (Bushko@fhti.org) has chaired annual Future of Health Technology summits since founding the institute in 1996. These summits engage creative minds from the technology and health fields in envisioning the future of technology for global healthcare and happier, longer lives. For further information, visit the Web site at www.fhti.org.

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