

Biomedical and Health Informatics Lecture Series

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12:00 - 12:50 p.m., Room RR-134

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"Using an Informatics Tool to Improve Implementation of Recommendations by Consultants: An Example of the Role of Informatics in Care Co-ordination"

Only about half of recommendations by hospital consultants are implemented. In this talk, Dr. Were will describe the creation, implementation, and evaluation of an informatics-based tool to address this deficiency. He will also discuss the challenges involved, and the generalizability of our approach to areas of clinical care which require hand-off between providers.

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