



NIEM National Training Event: Our read out from a great week for standards and info sharing

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Several of us in the PM-ISE office were up in Philadelphia this week for the NIEM National Training Event. [Learn more about NIEM](#)^[1], an organization that supports data standards and information sharing and exchanges. We also enjoyed joining the #NIEMNTE conversation on Twitter from our brand new account [@shareandprotect](#)^[2]. Here are some of our thoughts from the conference:

First, a big round of applause goes to Donna Roy and the NIEM PMO for organizing a great conference.

We enjoyed Doug Frisma's speech about how NIEM advances interoperability in health care because we see a lot of parallels and potential synergy in building the ISE. Additionally, Richard Spires, DHS CIO, gave a great speech about how NIEM reaches across government and is the single best use of taxpayer dollars. Finally, we were pleased to see our joint PM-ISE/NIEM video about the history of NIEM at the awards luncheon. We'll have that posted on our upcoming YouTube page shortly, so stay tuned!

PM-ISE also had a great presence at NIEM NTE, all of which [can be viewed on the NIEM website](#)^[3] (we'll have them posted on our upcoming YouTube page shortly as well):

- Amy Maida and Katie Schemm were lightning round favorites - a fun program where speakers were given only 5 minutes each and their slides advanced automatically - with their presentations about [North America Day](#)^[4] and the building blocks of the ISE;
- [Deputy PM Michael Howell](#)^[5] spoke on the panel, "NIEM Town Hall-International Executive Panel: Implementing NIEM Across National Borders";
- [Dr. David Bray](#)^[6] spoke on the panel, "Open Source Tools: Need We Say More??", about why the ISE needs open source tools and NIEM needs to advance the NIEM UML profile;
- Vijay Mehra gave the presentation: "From UML to IEPDs: A Look at the New NIEM Tool"; and
- Kevin Heald was part of the panel, "National Information Exchange Federation (NIEF)/Global Federated Identity and Privilege Management (GFIPM) Overview."

Looking forward to more collaboration and info sharing!

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