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How Computer Science Research Should Help Improve Healthcare

In addition to many problems of policy, financing, staffing and parochialism of the US healthcare system, we also suffer from poor integrative technologies that could improve health care quality and equity. The Federal government is making a big bet that the adoption of electronic health records will significantly help with all these problems, but an NRC study published in 2009 suggests caution in these expectations. I will review some of the findings of that study, and describe current as well as additionally needed research in computer science and its applications that can make a big difference in achieving the goals of a truly safe, effective, patient-centered, timely, efficient and equitable health care system.

DATE:

Thursday, December 9th

LOCATION:

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TIME:

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Light refreshments will be served

