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The partnership, sealed last summer, is being called the Illinois Michigan Program Alliance for Core Technology (IMPACT) project. Under the agreement, Illinois will share use of the new cloud-based MMIS in Michigan that CNSI designed.

Earlier this month, CNSI President and co-founder Adnan Ahmed authored an article for Bloomberg BNA's Health IT Law and Industry Reports Insights column discussing this breakthrough platform and its implementation. In the article, titled <u>"A Health Care First\_ Cloud -Based Medicaid System Erases Geographic Boundaries,"</u> Ahmed notes that "times are changing.

The public officials in Michigan and Illinois who forged the IMPACT Cloud Enablement agreement, and are now prepared to roll it out, represent a new breed of forward-thinking men and women who understand the extraordinary extent to which technology can facilitate solutions to apparently intractable problems, provided we stop living and thinking in silos."

Read the entire article here\_ http://about.bloomberglaw.com/practitioner-contributions/a-hea lth-care-first-cloud-based-medicaid-system-erases-geographicboundaries/

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