



## Editor's Notes...

The August heat wave across many of our campuses welcomed the beginning of fall semester, but AMCIS 2010 attendees escaped the heat and experienced the Peruvian winter below the equator, enjoying another successful conference in the midst of much cooler temperatures (high 50s and low 60s degree Fahrenheit). The Lima venue attracted around 820 participants from 46 countries who enjoyed Peruvian hospitality in both academic and social activities. The AMCIS 2010 proceedings are available through the AIS eLibrary at <http://aisel.aisnet.org/amcis2010/>. A full listing of the SIGHealth papers accepted for presentation in Lima was in the June/July newsletter. If authors have questions about their papers in the eLibrary, please email AIS Communications Director Maggie Kempken at [communications@aisnet.org](mailto:communications@aisnet.org). Also for the SIGHealth members in attendance, please consider completing the AMCIS 2010 satisfaction survey that was emailed on August 20 as your feedback shapes future conferences.

Our annual SIGHealth meeting was held Friday evening during AMCIS and Chair Rich Klein recapped SIGHealth activities over the past year. In the coming months, please check our Web page and the newsletter for more information on journal special issues and officer nominating committees. Also, please remember to re-designate your membership in SIGHealth when you renew your AIS membership.

This month's newsletter offers an article that many of our membership should find useful in publishing their research. Our featured article highlights an August CAIS paper and we congratulate our SIGHealth colleagues Cindy Le Rouge and Gianluca De Leo on their article entitled "Information Systems and Healthcare XXXV: Health Informatics Forums for Health Information Systems Scholars," which examines peer ranking of dedicated health informatics journals and related conferences in the field.

Bob Folden, our SIGHealth Resource Chair, continues his call to the SIGHealth membership for help in identifying SIGHealth resources. Growing and enhancing our SIGHealth knowledge-base benefits our SIG, our members, and our students.

This month's newsletter also highlights upcoming opportunities for regional and international workshops and conferences. Please make note of the Electronic Markets special issue on Mobile Health that has a submission deadline of October 1.

In closing, please consider sharing your practitioner and research experiences with other SIGHealth members through contributions to your newsletter. Content received by the 20th of each month will appear in that month's issue and content received after the 20th will typically appear in the next month's issue.

Warmest regards,

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**Overview:** This article fills a void in the literature by providing an initial peer ranking of journals specifically designated as health informatics journals for reference to colleagues who are interested in learning more about and/or publishing in this domain. The authors developed an Internet-based survey to gather data and the target audience was composed of professionals actively involved in health information technology (IT) research. The outcome of the survey identified 24 journals among a list of 44 for which 129 respondents expressed a greater familiarity or awareness. Also, seven journals outside the original list of 44 were identified. The survey data also included conference rankings and respondents identified 27 other health informatics conferences beyond the six in the initial survey. The article provides further discussion about the higher ranking journals and conferences.

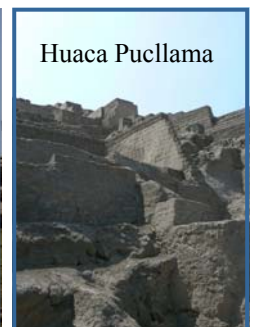
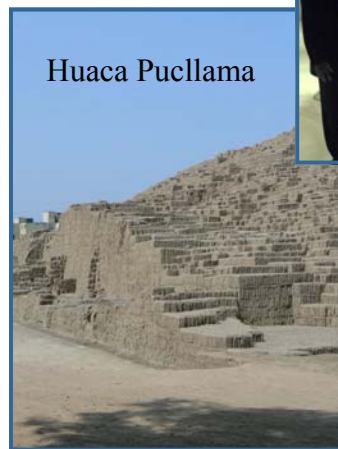
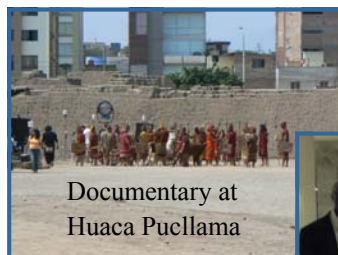
**Abstract:** The use of technology in health care settings is an area of increasing interest to information systems researchers. An awareness of journals and conferences that focus on this innately interdisciplinary field is necessary if researchers in related domains, such as information systems, intend to connect methodologies, insights, and perspectives to advance health IT knowledge. This study fills a void in the literature by providing an initial peer ranking of dedicated health informatics journals and related conferences as guidance for those interested in learning more about and/or publishing in this field. Results indicate that there are at least forty-five journals that researchers may want to consider in conducting health informatics work.

**Reference:** Le Rouge, Cynthia and De Leo, Gianluca (2010) "Information Systems and Healthcare XXXV: Health Informatics Forums for Health Information Systems Scholars," *Communications of the Association for Information Systems*: Vol. 27, Article 7, pages 1-17.

**URL:** <http://aisel.aisnet.org/cais/vol27/iss1/7/>

Networking Opportunities...

AMCIS 2010 Photos...



## Networking Opportunities...

Spread the word: SIGHealth is a group on 

### August 2010...Renewal of AIS Membership and Re-designating SIGHealth Interest

Please be aware that when you renew your AIS membership, you must also re-designate your interest in SIGHealth. Currently, membership in SIGHealth is \$10 USD per year. [More Details](#)

### September 2010...Mediterranean Conference on Information Systems (MCIS)

**When:** September 12 - 14, 2010

**Where:** Tel-Aviv-Yafo, Israel

**Health Informatics Track Chairs:** Moshe Leshno, Tel-Aviv University, Israel  
Elena Karahanna, University of Georgia, USA



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### November 2010...1st ACM International Health Informatics Symposium (IHI)

**When:** November 11-12, 2010

**Where:** Washington, D.C.

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### November 2010...Doctoral Consortium on Sociotechnical Issues in Medical Informatics

**When:** November 13, 2010

**Where:** Washington, D.C. (in conjunction with the 2010 AMIA Conference, November 13-17)

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### December 2010...International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS)

**When:** December 12 - 15, 2010

**Where:** St. Louis, Missouri, USA | Hyatt Regency

**Registration:** Registration begins September 1

SIGHealth will host an informal meet-n-greet again this year.



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## Publication Opportunities...

### CFP: Decisions Support Systems Special Issue On “Modeling for Better Healthcare”

Full paper submission deadline is September 15. [More Details](#)

### CFP: Electronic Markets Special Issue on Mobile Health

Mobile devices (e.g., phones, PDAs, smartphones, wireless laptops) and wireless technologies (e.g., Bluetooth, RFID, NFC) are now commonplace and support a rapidly growing set of applications. The topic of Mobile Health (mHealth) seeks to capture the dynamics of using mobile devices for various aspects of health. This includes access to government resources as well as social networking. Interactions within as well as between organizations, institutions, individuals and interested parties are all relevant. Societal as well as personal impacts are in force and paramount to wide-ranging appeal.

Paper submission deadline is October 1. [More Details](#)