

## Lessons *from the* Leaders

### PRESENTS

## Role of Academic Health Centers In New Venture Creation

By **Christopher Colecchi**, VP for Research Ventures & Licensing at Partners HealthCare

**THE EVENT:** The Center for Innovation, Excellence and Leadership ([IXL Center](#)) in partnership with the [Hult International Business School](#) are pleased to announce our next speaker, **Christopher Colecchi**. His presentation title is "**Role of Academic Health Centers In New Venture Creation**". Please join us on **March 24th, 2010** from 6:00 to 7:00 PM at Room 563, at Hult International Business School, **1 Education Street, Cambridge, MA**. There will be an opportunity to network with other like-minded individuals after the presentation.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend and meet a thought leader and practitioner of innovation. Please sign up [here](#). If you have any questions, please email Milagros Masini at [milagros.masini@ixl-center.com](mailto:milagros.masini@ixl-center.com).

**THE TOPIC:** Mr. Colecchi will focus on how health care institutions create and foster "innovation from invention." Specific topics will include the unique role the Academic Medical Center in patient care advances; how intellectual property is created, protected and commercialized in the healthcare setting; and novel venture capital investment models in the healthcare space

### THE SPEAKERS:



Chris is the VP for Research Ventures & Licensing. He leads business development, technology transfer, and commercialization activities at Partners and oversees efforts to establish strategic alliances with the life sciences industries. He is also responsible for the Partners Innovation Fund--an internal venture capital fund that makes investments in early stage science from Partners hospitals to create start-up companies to improve patient care.

Previously, Chris was the Director of Clinical Trials and Industrial Relations for the Massachusetts General Hospital. Earlier in his career, he served as the Director of Clinical Monitoring for a clinical research organization (CRO) at which he oversaw the set-up and management of multi-center, industry-sponsored clinical trials at several hundred sites throughout the U.S. and Canada. Within that role, Chris worked directly with most of the major international pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies as well as many in the device arena.

Chris is a current Board Member of both the Harvard Clinical Research Institute and the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health. He is a Corporator for Lowell General Hospital and an advisor to Broadview Ventures--the venture capital arm of the Paris-based Leducq Family Trust--which has as its goal the acceleration of advances in cardiovascular disease through the support of early stage technology ventures. Chris is also a member of the 2009

Boston Executive Leadership Institute sponsored by the MIT Sloan School of Management and the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Chris previously served on the Boards of Directors of the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council and the Starlight Children's Foundation. He was also a member of the advisory board for the Warwick Business School studying Biomedical Innovation across the U.K. and U.S.

Chris holds a B.A. from Holy Cross College and M.P.H. from the University of Massachusetts School of Public Health.



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