



COMMHIT26 SPEAKER

Kendra Siler

PHD

CommHIT CEO

ON STAGE AT COMMHIT26

Eight sessions on Thu, Dec 10 and Fri, Dec 11. The full schedule is on page 2.

ABOUT KENDRA

Dr. Kendra Siler is a nationally recognized leader in technology innovation, workforce development, and rural health transformation.

With more than 25 years of experience addressing complex healthcare, transportation, and communication challenges, she serves as CEO of CommHIT, a nonprofit headquartered at Kennedy Space Center that develops solutions for remote care in rural and other geographically isolated settings. Her work focuses on creating connected systems that help people access care when distance is a barrier, translating lessons from the most remote environments into practical solutions for communities on Earth. Dr. Siler currently leads CommHIT Everywhere, a Florida Rural Health Transformation Program that integrates health information exchange, mobile health, community paramedicine, retail clinic pharmacy services, remote patient monitoring, and workforce development to

improve care in hard-to-reach communities. She was an appointed stakeholder advisor to the Trump Administration White House Office of American Innovation and the Obama Administration White House Rural Council. Beginning in 2008, she led the development of the nation's first rural-based health information exchange and later served as Wave 1 Lead of a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services cybersecurity task group. IEEE Women in Engineering Magazine recently recognized her as a Woman to Watch. Dr. Siler earned her PhD from the University of Florida and completed an NRSA postdoctoral fellowship at the McKnight Brain Institute in the Department of Neuroscience.

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THU, DEC 10

9-9:25am

Welcome to CommHIT26: Out of Hospital Care

With Lauren Young-Work, Karen Blanchette

THU, DEC 10

9:25-10am

CommHIT Everywhere: Inside the Architecture Enabling Proactive Rural Care

With David Willis

THU, DEC 10

11:30am-12:15pm

Mobile Health & Community Pharmacy Access Collaborative Panel

PANEL

Moderator · with Matthew Thompson, Jeremy Coombs, Cara Gluck, Scott Cales, Kevin Salzer

THU, DEC 10

1-1:45pm

American Music Forms Memories Keynote Exploration: Fireside Experience

KEYNOTE

With Michael Feinstein

THU, DEC 10

2-2:45pm

CommHIT Everywhere Florida Pre-Hospital Care Financial Sustainability

With Aaron Malloy, David Willis, Justin Duncan

THU, DEC 10

3-3:45pm

Academic-Community Partnerships Advancing Better Care Panel

PANEL

Moderator · with Karen Panetta, Glenn Barnes, Rayna Letourneau, Riley T. Krotz, Janeen M. Blythe

FRI, DEC 11

9-9:45am

"Even the Lion Protects Himself Against Flies": Dealing with Distraction Through Discernment

FRI, DEC 11

11am-12pm

A Round Table Discussion with Max Planck on the Frontiers of Brain Science

PANEL

With Vidhya Rangaraju, Sarah A. Stern, Karen Panetta

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