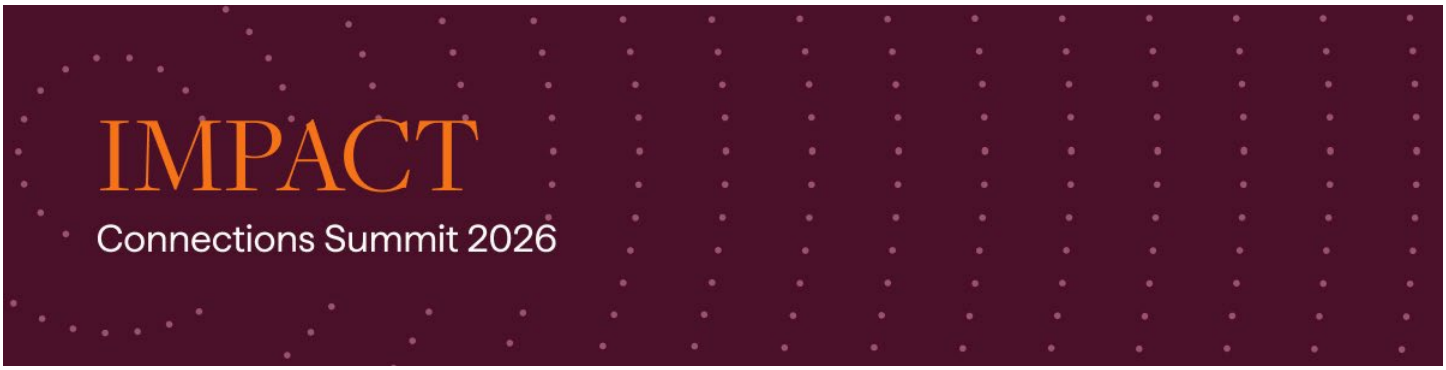
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2026 Vizient Connections Summit Education

Thursday, Sept. 24

POSTER EDUCATION SESSION | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS + SUPPLIERS (VIEW DETAILS)

Interactive: 7-8 a.m. | Hall G

Ready to be inspired? Our engaging poster sessions spotlight innovative improvement projects from healthcare teams across the country. It's a chance to see what's working, celebrate progress and spark new ideas together. These posters dive into today's most pressing challenges and highlight bold, effective approaches that elevate care delivery, drive profitable growth and strengthen organizational culture. Join us for two dedicated interactive sessions (Wednesday and Thursday) and one independent viewing session (Wednesday evening) to explore the posters, ask questions and connect directly with the people behind the work.

VIZIENT RESEARCH AND ANALYTICS INSIGHTS POSTERS (VIEW DETAILS)

Interactive: 7-8 a.m. | Hall G

Vizient experts spotlight research and insights spanning clinical, operational, and equity topics using the Vizient Clinical Data Base and Vizient Vulnerability Index. Clinical quality studies examine the association between cardiac surgery volume and mortality, attributes of health system governance associated with improved performance, and strategies to reduce length of stay reduction strategies. Equity-focused analyses address behavioral health disparities, firearm injury patterns, maternal sepsis, and colorectal cancer screening uptake. Additional posters explore acute pain management, the association between social vulnerability and chronic disease hospitalization, and a framework for maternal-neonatal health. A Data on the Edge presentation will show how Vizient transforms proprietary data and expert perspective into executive-ready insights, helping health systems anticipate change, strengthen strategy, and improve organizational performance.

SPEND MANAGEMENT FORUM | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS (VIEW DETAILS)

8-9:30 a.m.

Target Audience: Supply Chain Leaders, Finance Executives, Operational Leaders, and Health System Decision-Makers

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Healthcare organizations continue to face unprecedented financial, operational, and workforce pressures. While negotiated savings remain critical, many healthcare organizations struggle to realize the full value of those savings on the bottom line.

Join Vizient leaders, industry experts, and provider organizations for a forward-looking discussion on how Spend Management is expanding our focus beyond contracting to help healthcare organizations close the gap between negotiated value and realized outcomes. Through client experiences, expert insights, and new solution innovations, attendees will explore how advanced analytics, AI-enabled workflows, advisory expertise, and connected supply chain strategies can help organizations manage non-labor spend across categories and sites of care.

The session will highlight emerging capabilities, future roadmap investments, and real-world examples of how providers are using technology, expertise, and collaboration to reduce variation, improve operational performance, and create lasting value across the healthcare enterprise.
Leave with a clearer understanding of the future of Spend Management, the opportunities available today, and practical ideas to help your organization realize greater value from its supply chain investments.

REGULATORY AND ACCREDITATION SERVICES FORUM | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS

8:45-9:30 a.m. | San Palo 3405 and 3406

Driving Patient Safety Through a Systemwide Regulatory and Accreditation Compliance Strategy –
Increasingly complex regulatory and accreditation oversight requires engaged executive leadership to ensure organizational compliance, patient safety and operational resilience. We will explore why C-suite involvement is essential to drive accountability, prioritize resources and sustain a culture of continuous compliance. Hear how one health system implemented standardized structures, clear governance, and enterprise-wide collaboration to improve consistency and reduce risk.

EDUCATION SESSIONS | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS + SUPPLIERS (VIEW DETAILS)

8 a.m.-noon

Real stories. Real lessons. Real results. These interprofessional sessions are shaped by peers to offer improvement strategies you can bring back to your organization to spark meaningful, lasting change. Each presentation showcases forward-thinking approaches to today's most pressing healthcare topics, such as optimizing expense management, improving care quality and maximizing growth. These sessions demonstrate the imagination, innovation and impact of Vizient clients who are leading the way in transforming care.

VIZIENT ENTERPRISE EDUCATION SESSIONS | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS + SUPPLIERS (VIEW DETAILS)

8 a.m.-noon

Delve into advanced strategies that address critical healthcare topics, including operational efficiencies, financial strategies and improvements in patient care. Join Vizient experts and healthcare industry leaders as they share insights and proven solutions designed to strengthen healthcare systems and strategically position organizations for future success.

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FOOD & NUTRITION PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION MEETING | AUDIENCE: CLIENTS + SUPPLIERS (VIEW AGENDA)

8 a.m.-1 p.m.

These sessions unite healthcare leaders and suppliers to explore and discuss effective strategies to optimize clinical nutrition care, manage food procurement costs, and adapt to changing market forces and regulatory requirements that impact food operations.

SUPPLIER EDUCATION SESSIONS | AUDIENCE: SUPPLIERS (VIEW DETAILS)

10 a.m.-noon

Designed specifically for suppliers, these sessions offer practical strategies to help strengthen performance, expand opportunities and drive greater value across the healthcare marketplace. Hear from Vizient experts, healthcare leaders and industry peers as they explore topics such as strategic program alignment, evidence-based value propositions, hospital decision-making, marketing activation, non-acute growth and evolving provider expectations. Leave with actionable insights to deepen client relationships, differentiate your organization and position your business for long-term success.

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