

## **IMIA Launches a Technology Division**

The purpose of the IMIA Technical Division (IMIATD) is to provide industry awareness, industry trends and technical market information to the IMIA board and members. Every association is challenged to understand the technology trends and emerging solutions that influence their members and interpreters. IMIATD will focus on exploring how technology is changing, being implemented and what is the impact on medical interpreting. Increased awareness will be a fundamental objective of IMIATD and providing information and forums will be part of the implementation plan.

The IMIA Board is pleased to announce that Dan Gatti, Vice President of Business Development at Stratus Video and Executive Director of Health Cloud Solutions has been appointed as Chair of the Technology Division, and Linda Golley, Manager of Interpreter Services at University of Washington Medical Center has been appointed Vice Chair. "Our objective is to identify *Industry Luminaries* who can help the IMIA board and members gain unique knowledge of technology being implemented and the end user/patient/interpreter requirements", said Mr. Gatti. The IMIATD will reach out to hospitals and establish a Technology Advisory Board (TAB) with participants who have implemented new technical solutions or understand the impact of technology on interpreting.

## About the IMIA

The International Medical Interpreters Association (IMIA) is an umbrella association that promotes and develops standards and best practices in the field of medical interpreting. As an international US-based non-profit organization of medical interpreters, it represents over 2,100 practicing medical interpreters as the ultimate experts in medical interpreting and as the best option for equitable care for minority language patients around the world, promoting language access in healthcare as an essential human right. (www.imiaweb.org)