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## About D&A Live USA – July 8th, 2026

The enterprise AI era has arrived. Across industries, organisations are rapidly moving beyond experimentation and embedding AI into the core of their operations. Yet as generative AI, autonomous analytics, and AI agents reshape how decisions are made, many organisations are still working to bridge the gap between innovation and real, measurable impact.

D&A Live US – July 8, 2026 brings together senior data, analytics, and AI leaders from across the United States for a full day of practical insight, strategic discussion, and peer connection — spanning two focused segments designed to reflect the most pressing AI challenges of today.

### MORNING SEGMENT: Data & AI in Healthcare

The morning sessions are dedicated to the unique opportunities and challenges of deploying AI within healthcare. From clinical decision support and AI governance to patient safety, compliance, and workforce adoption, healthcare leaders will share how they are implementing AI responsibly and at scale within one of the most complex and high-stakes industries in the world.

#### Key themes include:

- AI Governance, Risk & Trust in Healthcare: Balancing innovation with transparency, patient safety, and regulatory compliance.
- Clinical AI Adoption: Bridging the gap between AI deployment and real-world clinical uptake.
- Data Infrastructure for Healthcare AI: Building the data foundations required to support AI-native healthcare applications.
- Responsible AI & Ethics: Navigating the ethical considerations unique to AI in patient care and health systems.

### AFTERNOON SEGMENT: Enterprise AI at Scale

The afternoon shifts focus to the broader enterprise AI landscape, exploring how organisations across industries are operationalizing AI, modernizing their data architectures, and unlocking measurable business value from generative AI and autonomous analytics.

#### Key themes include:

- Enterprise AI & Generative AI at Scale: Moving beyond pilots to deploy AI across business functions and deliver measurable ROI.
- AI Agents & Autonomous Analytics: How agentic systems are transforming analytics workflows and enabling automated decision intelligence.

- Modern Data Architectures: Building the foundations needed to support AI-native applications, including data mesh, lake house platforms, and vector databases.
- Augmented Analytics & Decision Intelligence: Shifting from static dashboards to AI-powered insights that enable faster, smarter business decisions.
- The Future Enterprise AI Stack: Exploring how data platforms, AI agents, and automation will reshape enterprise technology by the end of the decade.

As organisations accelerate their AI journeys, D&A Live US 2026 explores how enterprises can transform experimentation into scalable innovation and build the intelligent organisations of tomorrow.

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### Morning Segment Confirmed Speakers: Healthcare

Sruthi Gopalakrishnan, *Chief Data and Analytics Officer* - **WELLBE SENIOR MEDICAL**

Jason G. Cooper, *Chief Data, Analytics & AI Officer* – **CONCENTRA**

Sameer Sethi, SVP, *Chief AI Officer* – **HACKENSACK MERIDIAN HEALTH**

Almut Branner, *Former VP Data Management and Analytics* – **OPTUM**

Bickie Solomon, *Director of Pharmacy / Assistant Professor of Pharmacy* - **WEST COAST UNIVERSITY**

Linda Hermer, Ph.D., *Founder and Managing Director/Chief Data Strategy Officer* - **VANTAGE PRECISION HEALTH/AMMON**

### **LABS**

Geoff Montgomery, *Senior Director, Artificial Intelligence, Data Operations, Network and Infrastructure, IT Security* – **VAIL HEALTH**

Shihan He, *Machine Learning Engineer - AI Engineering & GenAI* – **NOVO NORDISK**

Jasper Cannon, *Managing Partner*- **CHESTERTON HILLS**

### Afternoon Segment Confirmed Speakers: Cross Industry

Jayson VanHook, *Chief Data Officer and Associate Vice President of Data Strategy* – **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA**

Kaisha Barela, *Chief Data Officer* – **RED POCKET MOBILE**

Troy Howard, *Vice President, Data Governance Manager* – **BANK OF AMERICA**

Karthikeyan Ilangovan, *Vice President, Data Analytics & AI/ML* - **MODEGLOBAL**

Gopal Renganathan, *Senior Director, Data & Analytics* – **ANYWHERE REAL ESTATE INC.**

Harish Vundavalli, *Senior Information Technology Architect* – **STRATEGIC EDUCATION**

Hiren Rokadia, *Director AI & Data-driven Strategy* – **TTX COMPANY**

Renee Hayes, Executive Director, Evergreen Learning (Manages Intel Digital Readiness partnership and AI certification) -

### **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA**

Dr. Lindsay Linsky, *Institute for a Future-Ready Workforce* - **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA**

Jennifer Lund, *Vice President, Surveillance Operations* - **FINRA**

## Agenda

**DATA AND AI HEALTHCARE**

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9:00 EST	<i>Corinium Welcoming and Opening Remarks</i>
	<b>MORNING SEGMENT - DATA AND AI HEALTHCARE ONLINE</b>
9:05 EST	<p><b>Opening Keynote Presentation: From AI Pilots to Enterprise Value, Governing, Scaling, and Operationalizing AI in Healthcare.</b></p> <p>At a high level, the session would explore how healthcare organizations move past isolated AI pilots and into real enterprise adoption, what that actually requires at the executive level, and where things most often break down. I typically focus on governance, accountability, and the operational realities of scaling AI across clinical and administrative environments, rather than theory. I have examples to share in healthcare and pharmacy, which are transferable to any industry, especially since healthcare is highly regulated.</p> <p>Bickkie Solomon, <i>Director of Pharmacy / Assistant Professor of Pharmacy</i> - <b>West Coast University</b></p>
9:30 EST	<p><b>Panel Discussion: AI Governance Under Pressure -How Do Healthcare Leaders Keep Innovation Safe, Compliant, and Scalable?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What do current FDA, ONC, CMS, and state-level rules mean in practice for LLMs, CDS tools, and automation models?</li> <li>• How should organizations manage hallucination, drift, bias, and version control—especially for clinical LLMs?</li> <li>• What does a responsible AI program look like inside hospitals, payers, and life sciences companies, and who should own it?</li> <li>• How can governance accelerate innovation rather than act as a bottleneck?</li> <li>• What should a rigorous vendor evaluation and continuous monitoring process include in 2026?</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Jason G. Cooper, <i>Chief Data, Analytics &amp; AI Officer (Former - Concentra)</i> – <b>Covenant HR</b></p> <p><b>Panelists:</b> Bickkie Solomon, <i>Director of Pharmacy / Assistant Professor of Pharmacy</i> - <b>WEST COAST UNIVERSITY</b>          Almut Branner, <i>Former VP Data Management and Analytics</i> – <b>OPTUM</b>          Jasper Cannon, <i>Venture Partner</i> – <b>MedStartr Ventures</b></p>
10:00 EST	<p><b>Keynote Presentation: AI Readiness in Healthcare: Getting the Data Foundations Right Before You Scale</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What “AI readiness” actually means in a healthcare context (beyond buzzwords)</li> <li>• Common gaps provider organizations face when trying to scale AI</li> <li>• Data governance as an enabler, not a blocker</li> <li>• Where healthcare data should live today: on-prem, cloud, hybrid, warehouses, files, and clinical systems</li> <li>• The role of data quality, lineage, and ownership in clinical and operational AI use cases</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical lessons from building AI and data operations inside a healthcare system</li> <li>• A simple readiness framework leaders can use to assess whether they are truly ready to scale AI</li> </ul> <p>Geoff Montgomery, <i>Senior Director, Artificial Intelligence, Data Operations, Network and Infrastructure, IT Security</i> – <b>VAIL HEALTH</b></p>
10:30 EST	<p><b>Presentation: Beyond Adoption - The Cultural Shifts Healthcare Needs for Impactful AI</b></p> <p>The problem:</p> <p>A large, recent survey (NBER, 2026) found that 78% of US companies have moved beyond pilots and adopted AI, but only 10% of them are seeing measurable impact. An overlooked reason for this is because Gen AI (especially agentic systems) change over weeks and months—new versions and tools, drift, reordered workflows, and “mutations”—but the workforce as a whole typically adopts new tech over years.</p> <p>The solution: Continuous Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treating AI as part of an adaptive operating strategy, not a one-time launch event</li> <li>• Aligning leadership on the roadmap and strategy: rethinking workflows, roles, collaboration models, and decision-making structures for an AI-enabled enterprise; creating buy-in throughout the organization; and designating who’s accountable</li> <li>• Strategies for aligning IT, data teams, clinicians, quality, and compliance around shared AI goals</li> <li>• Adopting the right metrics and developing a plan in case usage stalls</li> <li>• Creating a proactive, adaptive governance strategy that evolves alongside AI</li> <li>• Formal, longitudinal feedback loops: Adoption breadth and depth metrics and periodic employee surveys and interviews so strategies can be adjusted</li> <li>• Creating an AI-ready workforce with ongoing staff training and micro-videos, designating power-user champions, and holding anonymous office hours</li> </ul> <p>The presentation will include examples of a typical AI adoption scenario vs. adoption with Continuous Implementation.</p> <p>Linda Hermer, Ph.D., <i>Founder and Managing Director/Chief Data Strategy Officer</i> - <b>Vantage Precision Health/Ammon Labs</b></p>
11:00 EST	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Reinventing the Patient Journey - Where AI Is Improving Access, Experience &amp; Engagement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How AI assistants, chatbots, and navigation tools are reshaping access, triage, and patient support—and what results are emerging.</li> <li>• How personalization, segmentation, and risk stratification can improve engagement, adherence, and outcomes.</li> <li>• What parts of the patient journey can realistically be automated or streamlined without losing the human touch?</li> <li>• How AI impacts equity, privacy, and trust—and what must be done to mitigate widening disparities.</li> <li>• What ROI metrics should leaders use to evaluate patient-experience AI investments in 2026 and beyond?</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <p>Harish Vundavalli, <i>Senior Information Technology Architect</i> – <b>STRATEGIC EDUCATION</b></p>

	<p><b>Panellists:</b></p> <p>Sameer Sethi, Former <i>SVP, Chief AI Officer</i> – <b>Hackensack Meridian Health</b></p> <p>Sruthi Gopalakrishnan, <i>Chief Data and Analytics Officer</i> - <b>WellBe Senior Medical</b></p> <p>Mohan Krishna Mannava, <i>Data Analytics &amp; Business Intelligence Leader</i> – <b>TEXAS HEALTH</b></p> <p>Bickie Solomon, <i>Director of Pharmacy / Assistant Professor of Pharmacy</i> - <b>WEST COAST UNIVERSITY</b></p>
11:30 EST	<p><b>Keynote Presentation: From GenAI Experimentation to Enterprise Adoption: Lessons in Building AI That Delivers Value</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What separates successful GenAI initiatives from stalled pilots</li> <li>• Building the right data, engineering, and governance foundations</li> <li>• Common implementation challenges and how to overcome them</li> <li>• Measuring impact and driving adoption across the organization</li> <li>• Practical lessons from deploying AI in regulated environments</li> </ul> <p>Shihan He, <i>Machine Learning Engineer - AI Engineering &amp; GenAI</i> – <b>NOVO NORDISK</b></p>
<p><b>AFTERNOON SEGMENT: D&amp;A LIVE SUMMER</b></p>	
12:00 EST	<p><b>Keynote Presentation: TOPIC TBC</b></p> <p><b>Josh Burkhaw, Chief Evangelist – ALTERYX</b></p>
12:30 EST	<p><b>The Campus Conversation: How Higher Education is Preparing the Workforce for an AI-Enabled Future</b></p> <p>As enterprise organisations race to build AI-ready teams, universities face the inverse challenge: how do you prepare students and current professionals for roles, workflows, and expectations that are actively evolving? This panel brings together higher education leaders working across pre-workforce development and current workforce upskilling to explore how academia and industry can better align in the age of AI.</p> <p>Discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparing students for jobs that don't fully exist yet, how do institutions design curricula for an uncertain AI landscape?</li> <li>• AI literacy vs. technical specialisation: what does the workforce of tomorrow actually need?</li> <li>• Upskilling the current workforce: the role of certifications, AI literacy programmes, and industry-aligned learning</li> <li>• How universities are responding to shifting employer expectations in data and AI</li> <li>• The role of K-12 through higher education in building long-term workforce adaptability and lifelong learning habits</li> <li>• Industry partnerships: what's working, what's missing, and what business leaders wish academia would do differently</li> </ul> <p><b>Contributors:</b></p> <p>Jayson VanHook, <i>Chief Data Officer and Associate Vice President of Data Strategy</i> – <b>UNIVERSITY OF NORTH GEORGIA</b></p> <p>Renee Hayes, Executive Director, Evergreen Learning (Manages Intel Digital Readiness partnership and AI certification) - <b>University of North Georgia</b></p> <p>Dr. Lindsay Linsky, Institute for a Future-Ready Workforce - <b>University of North Georgia</b></p>

<p>1:15 EST</p>	<p><b>Presentation: Data Is the New Application Layer: Re-Architecting the Enterprise for AI</b></p> <p>Modern enterprises are redesigning their data architecture to support AI-native applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why modern AI initiatives require <b>rethinking traditional enterprise data architecture</b></li> <li>• What role do <b>data fabric, data mesh, and lakehouse architectures</b> play in enabling AI?</li> <li>• How vector databases and retrieval-augmented generation are transforming how organizations interact with data</li> <li>• What challenges arise when integrating <b>legacy data systems with modern AI platforms?</b></li> <li>• How can organizations ensure their data architecture is <b>AI-ready for future innovation?</b></li> </ul> <p>Harish Vundavalli, <i>Senior Information Technology Architect</i> – STRATEGIC EDUCATION</p>
<p>1:35 EST</p>	<p><b>Presentation: Data at the Speed of Markets: How FINRA is Leveraging AI and Analytics to Modernise Market Supervision</b></p> <p>This keynote explores how FINRA is applying AI, machine learning, and advanced analytics to transform how it collects, processes, and acts on market data and what this means for the firms it regulates.</p> <p>Discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How FINRA is using AI and data analytics to monitor market activity, detect manipulation, and identify emerging risks at scale</li> <li>• The role of data collection and intelligence in modern regulatory oversight and how firms can better prepare for a data-driven regulatory environment</li> <li>• How FINRA Forward is modernising rule frameworks and data infrastructure to keep pace with AI-native markets</li> <li>• What "technology agnostic" supervision means in practice and the data governance principles underpinning it</li> <li>• Lessons for enterprise data leaders: what good AI governance looks like through a regulatory lens</li> </ul> <p>Jennifer Lund, <i>Vice President, Surveillance Operations</i> - FINRA</p>
<p>1:35 EST</p>	<p><b>Panel Discussion: Trust, Risk, and Governance in the Age of Enterprise AI</b></p> <p>As AI becomes embedded across business operations, governance frameworks must evolve. Panel discussion themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What does <b>responsible AI governance</b> look like at scale?</li> <li>• How are organizations balancing <b>innovation with regulatory and ethical concerns?</b></li> <li>• What frameworks can ensure <b>AI transparency, fairness, and accountability?</b></li> <li>• How can companies manage risks associated with <b>hallucinations, bias, and model drift?</b></li> <li>• What role should <b>data leaders, legal teams, and boards</b> play in overseeing AI deployments?</li> <li>• How will emerging regulations reshape enterprise AI strategies?</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Jasper Cannon, <i>Venture Partner</i> – MedStartr Ventures</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b> Troy Howard, <i>Vice President, Data Governance Manager</i> – BANK OF AMERICA</p>

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2:20 EST	<p><b>Presentation: Behind the Intelligence: How Data Leaders Are Using AI to Power Smarter Analytics and Faster Decisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How AI is transforming backend data pipelines: from manual processes to automated, intelligent workflows</li> <li>• The role of AI-assisted coding and data engineering in accelerating analytics development</li> <li>• Using AI to improve data quality, anomaly detection, and operational monitoring at scale</li> <li>• How organisations are embedding AI into their analytics infrastructure to surface insights faster and reduce reliance on manual querying</li> <li>• What data leaders need to consider when governing AI use within internal data and engineering teams</li> </ul> <p>Kaisha Barela, <i>Chief Data Officer</i> – <b>Red Pocket Mobile</b></p>
2:40 EST	<p><b>Keynote Presentation: From Dashboards to Decisions - The New Era of Augmented Analytics.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why traditional dashboards are falling short in an AI-driven world</li> <li>• How augmented analytics is shifting organisations from descriptive reporting to predictive and prescriptive decision-making</li> <li>• Making data accessible to non-technical business users through natural language and conversational BI</li> <li>• What a successful transition from a dashboard-first to decision-first analytics culture looks like</li> </ul> <p>Karthikeyan Ilangovan, <i>Vice President, Data Analytics &amp; AI/ML</i> - <b>MODEGLOBAL</b></p>
3:00 EST	<p><i>Corinium Closing Remarks</i></p>