



Meryt McGindley

Meryt McGindley is the Vice President of Communications and Public Affairs for the National Association for Trusted Exchange (NATE). NATE brings the expertise of its membership and other stakeholders together to find common solutions that optimize the appropriate exchange of health information for improved health outcomes and greater gains in technology adoption. In support of NATE's mission to address the legal, policy and technical barriers that inhibit electronic health information exchange between healthcare entities and patients, McGindley oversees all of NATE's public communications activities, including stakeholder education and media relations.

McGindley's career has focused for many years on the intersection of communications and public policy. Prior to her role at NATE, Meryt McGindley served as the Communications Director at National eHealth Collaborative (NeHC), a public-private partnership that worked with its partners, including the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), to engage stakeholders in a collaborative way to realize common goals that lead to transformative change in health and healthcare through the use of information technology. McGindley oversaw all of NeHC's stakeholder communication, education, and outreach and engagement strategies, and served as NeHC's spokesperson and media liaison. McGindley was responsible for the creation of NeHC's renowned professional education program, NeHC University, which educated nearly 12,000 stakeholders about timely and relevant national health information technology and health information exchange issues.

Prior to joining NeHC, McGindley was a Communications Associate at a boutique Washington, DC public relations firm, focusing on the intersection of media and policy in the transportation and national defense sectors. During that time, McGindley served as the Policy and Research Director for the Alliance for Aviation Across America, a 3,500 member coalition created as part of a national campaign centered in the 2007 Congressional Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration.

McGindley has also served as Legislative and Communications Deputy for Los Angeles City Council President Ruth Galanter, where she was responsible for the creation and implementation of a successful statewide public information campaign opposing the proposed expansion of Los Angeles International Airport.

McGindley holds a Bachelors degree in Political Science from American University.