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### Mr Jim Keller

Vice President, Health Technology Evaluation and Safety, ECRI Institute, USA

**Date:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2009

**Time:** 5pm for a 5.30pm Start

**Location:** The Armoury Gallery, South Australian Museum, North Terrace, Adelaide City

**RSVP:** [ONLINE](#) or Ph 02 6270 6548

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### Topic: Real Time Locating Systems – Finding your way to the best solution



Jim directs ECRI Institute's internationally recognized medical device evaluation program referred to by the *New York Times* as the "country's most respected laboratory for testing of medical products." He is responsible for numerous ECRI Institute print and Web-based publications and databases, consultation services, educational programs, software tools, and instrument design services. He is a recognized expert and frequently invited speaker on a wide range of medical technology-related topics including patient safety, strategic planning, and forecasting.

His staff consists of approximately 30 scientists, engineers, writers, editors, and product managers. The products and services for the Health Devices program are relied on by thousands of healthcare organizations throughout the world for objective advice on the safe and cost-effective selection, use, and management of medical devices. Mr. Keller is also responsible for several other ECRI Institute products and services, including the *Health Devices Inspection and Preventive Maintenance System*; *Health Devices Alerts*; ECRI Institute Alerts Tracker, the ISO 9000 Quality System for Medical Equipment Service; a quarterly series of interactive telephone seminars; and the International Medical Device Problem Reporting System.

Mr. Keller also directs various medical-technology-related product development and consultation services. These include on-site technology planning studies, development of technical specifications for medical device contracts, analysis of manufacturer proposals for medical device contract bids, and accident investigations in support of ECRI Institute's Health Systems Group and Accident and Forensic Investigation Group; third-party review of U.S. Food and Drug Administration 510(k) medical device clearances; customized device testing and technology assessment analyses; software development; and instrument design.

Mr. Keller has been with ECRI Institute since 1984. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in zoology from the University of Massachusetts and a Master of Science degree in biological engineering from the University of Connecticut. In 1993, he received AAMI's Biomedical Engineering Achievement Award, which recognizes individual excellence and achievement in the field of biomedical engineering.

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