

## **Make Your Case to Attend the Healthcare Summit at Black Hat USA 2026**

Use this customizable letter to request approval to attend the Healthcare Summit at Black Hat USA 2026. Before sending, add your manager's name, your organization's current priorities, your estimated travel costs, and any specific sessions or vendors you plan to explore. Don't worry, we included the promo code and discount amount for you!

### **Your Customizable Letter**

Hi [MANAGER NAME],

I would like to request approval to attend the Healthcare Summit at Black Hat USA 2026 on Tuesday, August 4, at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas.

This one-day summit, delivered in partnership with HIMSS, focuses on the intersection of healthcare and cybersecurity. The program is designed for healthcare IT leaders, CISOs, security practitioners and technology leaders working to protect patient care, data security and clinical operations.

As our organization continues to invest in AI, connected systems, cloud infrastructure, interoperability, digital patient experiences and data-driven care models, cybersecurity is increasingly tied to care continuity, operational resilience and patient trust.

Attending the Healthcare Summit would help me better understand the threats and strategies most relevant to our environment, including:

- Securing AI applications in clinical and operational settings
- Protecting machine learning models from adversarial attacks
- Safeguarding patient data and healthcare infrastructure
- Preventing clinical disruption
- Strengthening business continuity
- Building resilience and patient trust

This summit is especially relevant because many of the priorities shaping healthcare technology also depend on strong cybersecurity foundations. AI tools need secure data environments. Interoperability depends on trusted systems and partners. Connected devices require resilient infrastructure. Digital patient experiences need identity protection, privacy safeguards and secure access.

I believe attending would help me bring back practical insights we can apply to our own planning, governance and resilience efforts. A cyber incident can affect more than IT

systems. It can disrupt workflows, delay care, create compliance risk, strain teams and affect patient confidence.

In addition to the Healthcare Summit, the pass includes lunch, a cocktail reception and three-day access to the Black Hat Business Hall. That broader Black Hat USA environment would allow me to explore security solutions, connect with cybersecurity vendors and gain exposure to emerging tools and strategies beyond the healthcare-specific sessions.

My goals for attending would be to:

- Identify actionable cybersecurity strategies that support care continuity and operational resilience.
- Better understand emerging risks related to AI, machine learning, connected infrastructure and healthcare data.
- Bring back relevant insights for our IT, security, compliance, operations and innovation teams.
- Explore security solutions and vendor perspectives in the Black Hat Business Hall.
- Apply key takeaways to our current cybersecurity, digital transformation and governance priorities.
- Attendees certified through ISC2 can also earn 5 Continuing Professional Education credits.

The Healthcare Summit pass is currently listed at \$2,099. I can use promo code GC200 to save \$200.

After the summit, I would be happy to share a brief recap with key takeaways, recommended next steps and any relevant vendor or solution insights for our team.

Thank you for considering this request.

Best,  
[NAME]

## **Before You Send**

Customize the letter by adding:

- Your manager's name
- Your organization's current priorities
- Your estimated travel and lodging costs
- Specific sessions, topics or vendors you plan to explore

- How you will share takeaways with your team after the event