HL7 PAC Agenda

1. Call for co-chairs to submit comments on US HHS IPPS regulations
2. Regulatory and legislative outlook – possible future items
3. Discussion of HL7 PAC scope of work
4. Discussion of HL7 public policy principles for standardization
5. Other business
Call for comments on US DHHS CMS IPPS proposed regulations and US House E&C RFI

CMS IPPS NPRM comment letter to include:

- Positive support for CCDA and other document types
  - “Rightsizing” data and documents w/r/t minimum necessary, other rules
  - Reference new doc type templates for discharges & encounters
- eRx use of CDS hooks (pharmacy use of PDMP)
- Patient access policy

E&C RFI response letter to include:

- Narrow comments on standards lifecycle
- Policy for support of legacy standards (vs rapid stds upgrades)
- Need to gain comments from Health Care Devices co-chairs
Regulatory and legislative outlook

Expected upcoming items and discussion of PAC perspectives

- CMS as the new locus of US interoperability policy
  - Where will USCDI be governed?

- Lack of coordination and consistency in interoperability policy
  - How to encourage & support interagency coordination?
  - Role for HHS CIO, HHS CTO, or ASPE – esp. regarding regulatory burdens
  - Burden of devolution to states, burden of lack of coordination and consistency

- TEFCA
  - Support USCDI. Possible outreach to HITAC subgroup on USCDI?
  - Tie USCDI to reasonable & necessary under info blocking?
  - Focus on standards lifecycle and cross-SDO coordination
  - Where and how does a minimum necessary information condition apply?
Discussion of PAC scope of work outside ONC

- HL7 policy influence outside the US
  - Interoperability outside US and cross-border
  - Possible IAPP joint white paper on GDPR? Wayne to reach out to affiliates?
- HL7 policy influence in US (NIH, FDA, CMS, FTC, NIST, States...)
- Privacy & security policies
- Device policies – integration, interoperability, security, maintenance, other
- Policy on non-health care uses of health care data
- Other
## HL7 public policy principles for standards

What does HL7 believe to be good public policy for standards?

- General agreement that developing a set of HL7 public policy principles would be a good use of time for the PAC
  - Comparison to other policy principles? Tom to send new AMIA policy principles

- Policies for standards lifecycle
  - Adoption of STUs, pilot testing, measures of success/ readiness
  - Standards change frequency, migration policy, transition timing
  - Support for legacy standards, backward compatibility?

- Consistency of overall standards frameworks/ bundles
  - Harmonization within purposes of use or within programs
  - Focus on intergovernmental coordination across govts, departments, agencies

- Government role in supporting standards infrastructure, processes, tooling, workforce is necessary to protect national investments in standards

- What is an appropriate market for standards?
Other new business?