HL7 Working Group Updates from the TSC for the week of November 29th, 2010

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The TSC approved the following project:

**Public Health Functional Profile Project**, at TSC Tracker # 1725, Project Insight ID# 704. The project will develop an HL7 EHR-S Public Health Functional Profile (PHFP) to identify functional requirements and conformance criteria for public health-clinical information collection, management and exchanges that include specific public health programs (domains), e.g., vital records, early hearing detection and intervention (EHDI), cancer registries and others. The PHFP profile will be a U.S. Realm Functional Profile that articulates the functional requirements needed to support data exchange among providers and public health stakeholders including, but not limited to states, local, and federal agencies. This project is supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/National Center for Health Statistics in collaboration with the Public Health Data Standards Consortium (PHDSC). The PHDSC will facilitate outreach with local, state and federal public health agencies, healthcare organizations, public health professional associations, schools of public health, health IT vendor organizations, private sector and individuals interested in supporting development of the PHFP. Public health may also be referred to as population health internationally.

Approved Documents:
The TSC approved the publication request for the following Informative Document:

**HL7 Version 3 Implementation Guide: URL-Based Implementations of the Context-Aware Knowledge Retrieval (Infobutton) Domain; Infobutton Request, Release 3**; for Clinical Decision Support (CDS) Work Group (WG) at TSC Tracker # 1733, Project Insight # 130. The intent of this recommendation is to provide a simple way to implement infobuttons that is compatible with the current state of the market in this area. Most infobutton implementations to date, especially on the side of on-line information resources, rely on URL-based APIs. Although the ultimate goal of the CDS WG is to promote the implementation of the infobutton standard using the XML ITS, this implementation guide will provide a more stepwise transition, compatible with requests from stakeholders in this domain, which are represented in the CDS WG.

Statistic of the Week:
Registration is open and interest is building for the HL7 International Working Group Meeting (2011 January WGM) in Sydney, NSW Australia from January 9-14, 2011. This week we note the Wiki page on 'WGM Information' at [http://wiki.hl7.org/index.php?title=WGM_information](http://wiki.hl7.org/index.php?title=WGM_information), where we keep links to all the Work Groups’ WGM agendas. This page had over 800 hits so far in the month of November! Please
get your Work Group's draft meeting agendas posted as soon as possible, or send them to me (lynn_at_HL7.org) and I'll post them on the Wiki.

**How to find TSC information**

The TSC wiki site houses its minutes, process documents, templates, links to the ArB wiki and the TSC Issue Tracker, a list of current projects, and more. You can access the TSC wiki at: [http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?TSCWiki](http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?TSCWiki). See the links below for instructions on how to view the list of projects and access the TSC Issue Tracker.

- TSC Tracker: link to [http://gforge.hl7.org/gf/project/tsc/tracker/?action=TrackerItemBrowse&tracker_id=313](http://gforge.hl7.org/gf/project/tsc/tracker/?action=TrackerItemBrowse&tracker_id=313)
- Project Insight Searchable Database: link to [http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?searchableProjectIndex](http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?searchableProjectIndex)
- Project List on GForge: link to [http://gforge.hl7.org/gf/project/tsc/frs/?action=FrsReleaseBrowse&frs_package_id=98](http://gforge.hl7.org/gf/project/tsc/frs/?action=FrsReleaseBrowse&frs_package_id=98)
- Project Insight: link to [http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?ProjectInsight](http://www.hl7.org/permalink/?ProjectInsight), (requires PMO-assigned log in credentials)