Texas Health Informatics Alliance

United State Core Data for Interoperability v5 Recommendation
THIA Policy & Standards Working Group

The Texas Health Informatics Alliance (THIA) mission is to collaborate on improving health informatics and health care, and meet Texas' current and future health informatics needs. We build informatics ties across Texas by bringing together researchers, developers, health professionals, information management professionals, data and information scientists, students, and anyone interested in health informatics to collaborate, communicate, and network in Research, Data, Education/Workforce Development, and Policy and Standards.

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The Texas Health Informatics Alliance (THIA) Policy and Standards Working Group recommends the inclusion of the Prenatal Record as an encounter-specific note in clinical notes. Various national initiatives have been formed to address relatively high maternal and fetal morbidity, including but not limited to, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Transforming Maternal Health Model (December 2023). Unfortunately, information exchange suffers from lack of standardization. An encounter-specific Prenatal Record would bolster availability of the right information at the right time to facilitate clinical efficiencies and empower tool development initiatives reliant on these critical data in the EHR vendor community.