

The Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society ([HIMSS](http://www.himss.org)) is pleased to submit these comments for consideration by ONC to update the Interoperability Standards Advisory (ISA). These comments are one set in a series of comments that HIMSS has and will prepare to review the updates to the new web-based version of the ISA. More comments addressing other elements of this resource are forthcoming. For more information on previous comments, please visit the [HIMSS website](http://www.himss.org).

HIMSS recommends that Interoperability Need “Reporting Birth Defects to Public Health Agencies” in Subsection II-R be rephrased and expanded to “Reporting Newborn Birth, Health and Death to Public Health Agencies”. HIMSS has provided the attached information as a suggested expansion of the standards and specifications included in this section.

Type	Standard Implementation/ Specification	Standards Process Maturity	Implementation Maturity	Adoption Level	Federally Required	Cost	Test Tool Availability
Standard	<a href="#">HL7 Version 2.5.1 Implementation Guide: Birth &amp; Fetal Death Reporting, Release 1 (US Realm)</a>	Balloted Draft	Pilot	● ○ ○ ○ ○ ○	No	Free	Yes, <a href="#">CDA Guideline Validation from NIST</a>
Standard	<a href="#">HL7 CDA® R2 Implementation Guide: Ambulatory Healthcare Provider Reporting to Birth Defect Registries, Release 1 - US Realm</a>	Balloted Draft	Pilot	● ○ ○ ○ ○ ○	No	Free	Yes, <a href="#">CDA Guideline Validation from NIST</a>
Implementation Specification	<a href="#">IHE Quality, Research and Public Health Technical Framework Supplement 10 Birth and Fetal Death Reporting-Enhanced (BFDR-E)</a>	Balloted Draft	Pilot	● ○ ○ ○ ○ ○	No	Free	Yes