



# HITAC 2023 Final Work Plan

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# HITAC Work Planning Process

- Reviewed transcripts and meeting notes from prior HITAC discussions
- Reviewed HITAC recommendations, including all HITAC Annual Reports to date
- Considered legislative requirements, existing work plans, and emerging issues
- Obtained input from the HITAC co-chairs
- Reviewed planned HITAC topics and timing with full committee in November 2022
- Today:
  - Interoperability Standards Workgroup Charge
  - Present final HITAC work plan for 2023

## Interoperability Standards Workgroup (IS WG)

- Today, ONC will charge the IS WG to develop standards recommendations on Draft USCDI Version 4, published in January 2023
  - USCDI relates to multiple priority uses of health IT identified by the HITAC over the past 3 years (e.g., public health, medication and pharmacy data, health equity, social determinants of health, behavioral health, patient engagement and patient access)
- In addition, ONC will charge the HITAC to address two other priority uses of health IT in 2023 through separate Task Forces:
  - Public Health Data Systems Task Force
  - Pharmacy Interoperability Task Force
- We expect the Public Health Data Systems Task Force and Pharmacy Interoperability Task Force to address standards and related implementation specifications to support these priority uses of health IT
- ONC is continuing to review and consider the existing sets of HITAC recommendations and priority uses of health IT and related standards / implementation specifications from prior years



# Interoperability Standards Workgroup Charge

**Overarching charge:** Review and provide recommendations on the Draft USCDI Version 4

**Specific charge:**

**Evaluate Draft USCDI v4 and provide HITAC with recommendations for:**

- a. New data classes and elements from Draft USCDI v4
- b. Level 2 data classes and elements not included in Draft USCDI v4

Due

**April 12, 2023**

# Interoperability Standards Workgroup Roster



Name	Organization	Name	Organization
<b>Sarah DeSilvey* (Co-Chair)</b>	Gravity Project Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont	<b>Naresh Sundar Rajan * (Co-Chair)</b>	CyncHealth
Pooja Babbrah	Point-of-Care Partners	Steven Lane*	Health Gorilla
Ricky Bloomfield	Apple	Anna McCollister*	Individual
Hans Buitendijk*	Oracle Health	Clem McDonald*	National Library of Medicine
Christina Caraballo	HIMSS	Deven McGraw*	Invitae Corporation
Grace Cordovano	Enlightening Results	Aaron Miri*	Baptist Health
Raj Dash	College of American Pathologists	Aaron Neinstein*	UCSF Health
Steven Eichner*	Texas Department of State Health Services	Kikelomo Oshunkentan*	Pegasystems
Rajesh Godavarthi*	MCG Health, part of the Hearst Health network	Mark Savage	Savage & Savage LLC
Bryant Thomas Karras*	Washington State Department of Health	Shelly Spiro	Pharmacy HIT Collaborative

\* HITAC Member

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# Interoperability Standards Workgroup

- Workgroup meetings will be held on Wednesdays, from 10:30 AM – noon ET
- The first workgroup meeting will be held on January 25, 2023
- All workgroup meetings are open to the public
- [Interoperability Standards Workgroup Webpage](#)
- Additional HITAC members are welcome to join the workgroup
  - Please contact [Michael.Berry@hhs.gov](mailto:Michael.Berry@hhs.gov) (DFO) to be added to the roster

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
HITAC Committee Meeting												
HITAC Annual Report WG	FY22 Report				FY23 Report							
Interoperability Standards WG												
Pharmacy Interoperability TF												
ONC NPRM TF (Timing TBD)*												
ONC Future Rulemaking TF(s) (Timing TBD)**												
Health Equity by Design (Timing TBD)												
Public Health Data Systems TF or Feedback Sessions (Timing TBD)												

\*ONC Health IT Certification Program Updates, Health Information Network Attestation Process for the Trusted Exchange Framework and Common Agreement, and Enhancements to Support Information Sharing. <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?publd=202210&RIN=0955-AA03>

\*\*Patient Engagement, Information Sharing, and Public Health Interoperability; <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?publd=202210&RIN=0955-AA06>. Establishment of Disincentives for Health Care Providers who Have Committed Information Blocking; <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?publd=202210&RIN=0955-AA05>.

# Additional Potential Topics for HITAC Discussion in 2023

## HITAC Feedback

- Increased Health Equity across Populations, Locations, and Situations
  - Community Vulnerability (vulnerable communities lacking healthcare resources)
- Interoperability
  - Information Blocking Progress
  - Standards Priorities Use Cases
- Bidirectional Exchange for Public Health: Datasets and Standards, HIEs and HINs
- SDOH Data: Standards Development, Standardized Data Across Agency Programs, Barriers to Exchange
- EHRs and Patient Safety
  - Unique Patient Identification
- Data Standards and Exchange to Support Behavioral Health, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Disorders
- FHIR Standards Advancements
  - Including for public health data systems
  - Write-access FHIR APIs
- NCVHS Collaboration: Exchange of Data Across States and HIPAA Revisions
- API Use: Assess Deployment of 2015 Edition Certified Health IT
- International Regulations and Exchange, e.g. international patient summary; global master standards guide
- Workforce Development
- Patient Generated Health Data
- Patient Privacy
  - Autonomy
  - Informed Consent





# Thank You



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