

TO: TSC

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RE: Normative ballot CDAR2_IG_PERSADVCAREPLAN_R1_N1_2019SEP - - Project (#1204)

On behalf of SD WG & the Patient Care WG, I'm requesting the TSC downgrade the Sept. 2019 Normative ballot on the Personal Advance Care Plan (PACP) CDA R2 Implementation Guide back to a Standard for Trial Use (STU).

Background

The PACP CDA Implementation Guide was created within the scope of the PACP Project Scope Statement (#1204), which declares the project type to be "Ballot – STU to Normative".

The PACP IG currently published by HL7 is: CDAR2_IG_PACP_R1_STU_2016JUL. This is an Active HL7 CDA Implementation Guide standard which expires in August of 2020.

In the September 2019 ballot cycle, the PACP Specification underwent a ballot cycle and attempted to attain a Normative status.

Being my first normative ballot, it was clear that in order to attain a Normative status the ballot would require:

1. Majority Quorum
2. 75% Approval
3. No comments for which resolution would require a significant change to the specification

What was missed however, was clarity that it would not be possible to republish the specification as a Standard for Trial Use, if we failed to meet the normative requirements.

The PACP CDA Implementation Guide is an Active HL7 standard that has been implemented by at least two independent organizations. During the September ballot of this specification, although a majority quorum was attained with greater than 75% approval, several negative comments were received which need to be addressed. Resolving these comments will have significant impact on the specification and time will be needed for implementers to test the changes.

Request

In order to engage the implementation community for early testing, we are requesting TSC approval of this request to downgrade the Sept 2019 ballot back to a Standard for Trial Use (STU).

Doing so, will enable us to republish the PACP specification after completing the ballot reconciliation process on the full set of comments submitted during the September 2019 ballot, to allow timely testing of changes by early implementers.

Regards,

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