PACIO Weekly Meeting

**Time:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm EST  
**Location:** ZoomGov Meeting  
**Meeting ID:** 161 771 8677

**PACIO Project Website:** [www.PACIOproject.org](http://www.PACIOproject.org)  
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## Summary

1) **Leadership Update** (Dave H., & Siama R., MITRE; Maria Moen, AD Vault, Inc.)
   - New Advance Directives Lead Announcement: Maria Moen will lead the work for PACIO’s Advance Directive use case. Maria is a member of the HL7 Patient Empowerment Workgroup, which is the sponsor for this work, and has hands-on experience in this area from her work with MyDirectives.
   - Roles & Responsibilities Document Review:
     - PACIO leadership incorporated PACIO workgroup feedback into the Roles & Responsibilities document and sent a tracked changes version to the workgroup for final review on October 16th.
     - The workgroup reviewed and provided positive feedback on the final draft via email. The workgroup agreed to accept the changes and finalize the document during today’s meeting.
   - Status of Functional and Cognitive Implementation Guides (IG) in Ballot:
     - Both IGs entered the Standard Trial Use 1 (STU1) ballot process on October 20th.
     - PACIO leadership will receive all positive and negative votes with accompanying comments for each IG when the ballot period closes on November 20th.
     - Each IG must receive at least 60% affirmative votes and sponsoring HL7 workgroup approval for community adoption of the standards.
     - The current ballot IGs are available at the following links:  

- Status of Advance Directives Use Case:
  - Maria introduced the scope of work, which is to clarify the use case scenarios and develop sequence diagrams for inclusion in the FHIR IGs. Maria proposed four use cases for the PACIO workgroup to discuss:
    1. Patient is admitted to a hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) from home.
    2. Patient is transferred to the hospital from an Emergency Department.
    3. Patient is discharged from the hospital and admitted to a SNF.
    4. Patient is discharged from the hospital or SNF to their home.
  - The PACIO workgroup discussed the four proposed use cases and determined that the work will focus on “what” data is being exchanged and conforming that data to the FHIR specifications, and not “how” the information is exchanged. However, one workgroup member cautioned that this work should be designed from the start with consumer convenience in mind.

- Stats of Speech-Language Pathology Use Case:
  - PACIO leadership confirmed the Project Proposal ([https://jira.hl7.org/projects/PSS/issues/PSS-1665](https://jira.hl7.org/projects/PSS/issues/PSS-1665)) for the Speech-Language Pathology work has been developed, and the HL7 Patient Care Workgroup has agreed to sponsor this work, however, a lead has not been confirmed. PACIO leadership is meeting with the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to discuss collaboration opportunities and build a project plan.
  - A few PACIO workgroup members expressed interest in participating in the Speech-Language Pathology work, and PACIO leadership will follow-up with these members after today’s meeting.

- PACIO leadership is continuing to investigate opportunities for the PACIO workgroup to be involved in a post-COVID use case. PACIO leadership invited Juby George-Vaze, from Globex Health, to present additional information on this topic during an upcoming meeting.
2) **Request for Volunteers: Data Tagging for Social Determinants of Health**  
(Amber Patel, Security Risk Solutions, Inc.)

- Amber introduced a project her organization is collaborating on with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology called *Advancing Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Health IT Enabled Tools and Data Interoperability*. Please refer to the presentation on the confluence page for more details on the project’s scope, purpose, and objectives ([https://confluence.hl7.org/download_attachments/86977192/Advancing%20SDOH%20intro%20deck.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1603313729284&api=v2](https://confluence.hl7.org/download_attachments/86977192/Advancing%20SDOH%20intro%20deck.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1603313729284&api=v2)).
- Amber asked for volunteers who are interested in exchanging, or who are already exchanging SDOH data, and would be available to assist with data tagging efforts.
- If PACIO workgroup members are interested in volunteering, please contact:
  - Johnathan Coleman, Program Manager, jc@securityrs.com
  - Amber Patel, Project Manager, ayp@securityrs.com
  - Greg White, Senior Analyst, gw@securityrs.com

3) **Continue Discussion on Restructuring FHIR Resources for PAC**  
(Chris Pugliese, Matrix Care)

- Chris updated the workgroup about various meetings to discuss restructuring FHIR resources for PAC which involved PACIO leadership, CMS, and the Matrix Care team.
- Chris reviewed three levels of terminology:
  - Episode of Care: HL7 IG profiles currently exist for episodes of care in acute and ambulatory settings, however there is opportunity for future consideration of IG profiles that direct implementing vendors and providers on how episode of care resources should be used in post-acute care settings.
  - Encounter: The workgroup discussed this definition during prior meetings and agreed this term equates to a PAC “admission”, or the entirety of the patient’s stay.
  - Reassessment Timepoints: This is a newly developed term that encompasses the various points in post-acute care when the patient’s condition is re-evaluated. Examples include, but at not limited to, the benefit period in hospice, an episode in a SNF or home health care, or the certificate of medical necessity for durable medical equipment.

1. The workgroup discussed the new “reassessment timepoint” definition and suggested the terminology be introduced to the clinical reasoning team and HL7 Patient Administration Workgroup prior to developing a profile proposal.
4) Documentation of Decisions and Action Items
   – No notable decisions or action items addressed today.

5) Adjourn