



## PACIO Weekly Meeting

Time: Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm ET

**Location:** ZoomGov Meeting

**Meeting ID:** 160 985 6747

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

**PACIO Project HL7 Confluence:**

<https://confluence.hl7.org/display/PC/PACIO+Project>

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## Summary

### 1) Leadership Update (Dave Hill)

- Leadership update presentation slides are available at:  
<https://confluence.hl7.org/display/PC/Meeting+Index?preview=%2F86977192%2F90345229%2F2022-01-26+PACIO+Leadership+Update.pptx>
- Topics covered include:
  - HL7 January Work Group Meetings and PACIO's "Birds of a Feather" presentation
  - Forcura Connect Summit presentation (January 20, 2022)
  - Collaboration with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's (AHRQ) Multiple Chronic Condition (MCC) e-Care Plan work
    1. A member shared that AHRQ is supporting many grants to address issues around multiple chronic conditions which impact individual and population health as well as healthcare finance. More information is available at <https://www.grants.gov/>.
    2. Another member affiliated with AHRQ and the e-Care Plan team shared excitement for the opportunity to work together with PACIO on these important efforts.
  - HIMSS global conference (March 14-18, 2022): PACIO leadership (Jessica Skopac and Maria Moen) are scheduled to present three sessions related to PACIO.

### 2) Advance Directive Interoperability (ADI) (Maria Moen and Corey Spears)



- ADI Subgroup meeting summary slides are available at:  
<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/97470690/2022-01-26-ADI-Summary.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1643229630682&api=v2>
- ADI ballot review summary slides are available at:  
<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/97470690/2022-01-26-PACIO-ADI-STU1-Ballot-Review.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1643209840188&api=v2>
- Subgroup leadership provided an overview of the HL7 January 2022 balloting process, ADI ballot results and ticket grouping (terminology, must support, workflow, large effort, medium effort, etc.), and examples of ballot issues, which the ADI subgroup will address on its call (Wednesdays at noon ET).

### 3) **SPLASCH Update** (Brian Meshell and Jamila Harley)

(**S**peech, **L**anguage, **S**wallowing, **C**ognitive **C**ommunication, and **H**earing)

- SPLASCH subgroup meeting summary slides are available at:  
<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/91998515/2022-01-25-SPLASCH-Summary.pptx?version=2&modificationDate=1643221750142&api=v2>
- SPLASCH January 2022 Connectathon-29 SPLASCH Track highlights are available at:  
<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/90899194/2022-01-12-Connectathon-29-SPLASCH-Track-Highlight.pdf?version=2&modificationDate=1642112284652&api=v2>
- Subgroup leadership reviewed:
  - SPLASCH's track report out for the January 2022 HL7 Connectathon including achievements, discovered issues, and next steps.
  - Current focus on the SPLASCH subgroup calls, including investigation of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability, and Health (ICF). The SPLASCH subgroup will work closely with the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's (ASHA) team that oversees their Functional Communication Measures (FCMs).
  - Work will continue for now on the independent SPLASCH IG while PACIO considers adopting a common overarching framework IG modeled on the Gravity approach.
- A member asked if the SPLASCH subgroup considered testing transfer of data using the pseudo DEL (e.g., to test using elements from the Data Element Library (DEL) for Post-Acute Care  
<https://del.cms.gov/DELWeb/pubHome>).
  - PACIO leadership responded that the January 2022 Connectathon tested a very small subset of SPLASCH data elements, none of which are included in the DEL or on standardized CMS assessments. The initial focus was to demonstrate the minimum viable product for



this IG. The group is currently working on refinement of the IG and hopes to test a more comprehensive exchange of SPLASCH data elements at future Connectathons. Historically, when PACIO tested Functional and Cognitive Status IGs, the “pseudo DEL” was not included in the first Connectathon.

- A member recommended PACIO consider integration of concepts between cognitive and functional status elements and SPLASCH. PACIO leadership agreed and will continue to discuss how to proceed.

#### 4) Re-assessment Timepoints (Karl Naden)

- Re-assessment Timepoints (RT) ballot reconciliation slide presentation is available at:

<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/86977192/2022-01-26%20PACIO%20Re-assessment%20Timepoints.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1643233219812&api=v2>

- Tech Team leadership provided an overview of the results of the January 2022 HL7 ballot process and next steps for addressing those comments.

#### 5) PACIO IG Framework “Think Tank”

- Cognitive/Functional Status and overview of Gravity

<https://confluence.hl7.org/download/attachments/86977192/2022-01-26%20Cognitive-Functional%20Status%20STU2.pptx?version=1&modificationDate=1643741832384&api=v2>

- PACIO Leadership reviewed for the members the objective of this ongoing discussion, to explore how a common framework could allow for greater flexibility for more clinical domains without requiring multiple Implementation Guides (IGs).
- The group considered identifying a possible questionnaire/instrument to associate with various levels within the ICF “chapters”.
- A member recommended investigating ICF Core Sets which are evidence based and align to various conditions: <https://www.icf-casestudies.org/images/intro/intro-to-icf/comprehensive-icf-core-set-sci-postacute-context.pdf>
- The group discussed development of a conceptual framework that is common across clinical domains expressed in an implementable technical design for the exchange for the domain specific information (e.g., a common data structure combined with domain specific value sets).
- Another member reminded the group that while individual ICF codes could be used to describe a patient, the power of the ICF framework comes from how the concepts are categorized in the hierarchical levels within the ICF (e.g., are there any gap areas we need to identify).



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- A member stated from personal experience in working with ICF, it could be more difficult to describe for each ICF code exactly what it means and does not mean (example: procedure manual for mobility ended up as 800 pages).
- Another member suggested PACIO could leverage prior work from the FASI (Functional Assessment Standardized Items).

## 6) Walk on Topics from members

- ONC recently published the USCDI V3 Draft which includes a Health Status data class with four new data elements, including Functional Status, Disability Status, and Mental Function.  
<https://www.healthit.gov/isa/sites/isa/files/2022-01/Draft-USCDI-Version-3-January-2022-Final.pdf>
  - The February 22 meeting of the ONC Interoperability Standards Workgroup of the HIT Advisory Committee (HITAC) will focus on this data class. Meeting information is available at <https://www.healthit.gov/hitac/events/interoperability-standards-workgroup-3>
  - Public comment for USCDI V3 Draft is open through April 30, 2022 at <https://www.healthit.gov/isa/ONDEC>

## 7) Documentation of Decisions and Action Items

- None

## 8) Adjourn