International Patient Summary

Owning work group name

Structured Documents

Committee Approval Date:

2018-01-18

Contributing or Reviewing Work Groups

- Patient Care
- Templates
- Emergency Care
- Vocabulary
- Electronic Health Records
- Healthcare Standards Integration
- Public Health
- Orders and Observations
- Mobile Health

FHIR Development Project Insight ID

1087

Scope of coverage

The International Patient Summary (IPS) is a minimal and non-exhaustive patient summary, specialty-agnostic, condition-independent, but readily usable by clinicians for the cross-border unscheduled care of a patient. It supports:

1. Cross-jurisdictional summaries
2. Emergency and unplanned care in any country, regardless of language
3. Where possible, value sets from international vocabularies that are usable and understandable in any country
4. Data/metadata for document-level provenance

IG Purpose
The International Patient Summary specification is needed to provide a mechanism for data representation and exchange to support emergency care and unplanned care in any country (home and foreign), regardless of language.

Content location
https://github.com/HL7/fhir-ips

Proposed IG realm and code
UV/IPS

Maintenance Plan
The Structured Documents WG has agreed in the PSS to assume the ongoing maintenance responsibility. The Patient Care WG, primarily, and the other co-sponsor WGs also have an ongoing interest in maintenance of the specification.

Short Description
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Long Description
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- Structured Documents WG
- ONC
  - EU-US Initiative

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Expected implementations
1. openNCP
   a. https://openncp.atlassian.net/wiki/display/ncp/OpenNCP+Community+Home
2. Sequoia Project
   a. The Sequoia Project is committed to ensuring the content of data exchanges is both accurate and useful to providers and patients. Since June 2015, the Testing Workgroup has been developing a content testing program, focused around a common set of requirements and testing tools, to improve the quality and completeness of Continuity of Care Document (CCD) exchanges. We began by defining and refining CCDS that may be exchanged by eHealth Exchange participants to address particular use cases or business needs. The recent content testing pilot (https://ehealth-exchange-testing.wikispaces.com/Content+Testing+Pilot+2016) will inform future documentation and tooling that is expected to go into production by November 2016.
3. GNOMON

Content sources
No
Example Scenarios

1. Cross-jurisdictional patient summaries
2. Support emergency and unplanned care in any country, regardless of language

IG Relationships

No

Timelines

2018-03-22

When IG Proposal Is Complete

When you have completed your proposal, please send an email to FMGcontact@HL7.org

FMG Notes