Welcome to the HL7 Essentials Space

This is the place to find information about HL7, HL7 processes and other information that is relevant to your work as an Co-Chair, Facilitator, Accelerator or anyone with an interest in gaining a basic understanding of the HL7 organization and it’s processes.

Quick Links

- HL7 Orientation Station
- HL7 Leadership Announcements
- Participating at HL7
  - HL7 Community Chat
  - Subscribe to List Serves
- Create JIRA and Confluence Account
- Submit a Change Request
- HL7 Recently Published Standards

The following links provide information about participating in the FHIR Community.

- FHIR Community Chat
- FHIR Connectathons
- FHIR Community Events
  - Add new FHIR Community Event
- FHIR Implementation Guide Registry
- FHIR Management Group
- FHIR Overview
- FHIR Specification
- FHIR Implementation Guide Processes
  - FHIR Implementation Guide Process Flow
  - FHIR IG Proposal
- FHIR Registry

The following links provide information about HL7 FHIR Accelerators

- HL7® FHIR® Accelerator Program and List of Accelerators
- HL7 FHIR Accelerator Home
- Accelerator Program Plans

The following links provide information relevant to Co-chairs for managing the activities of Work Groups.

- Co-Chair Handbook
- New Co-Chair Training Material
- Meeting Room Request Form
- Meeting Room Report
- Out of Cycle Meeting Request
- Work Group Meetings - create agenda and attendance from Templates
- Decision Making Practices (DMP)
  - Decision Making Practices Addendum Template
- Facilitators Expectations
- Work Group Health and PBS Metrics Reports
- Mission and Charter Guidance
- Roberts Rules
- Work Group Changes (merge, disband, name change)
HL7 Processes
The following links provide information on the standards process within HL7 including process flows and checklists for developing, balloting and publishing FHIR Implementation Guides

- Bylaws
- Governance Operations Manual (GOM) - the rules under which HL7 operates
- HL7 Essential Requirements - the rule to ensure that HL7 conforms with ANSI
- HL7 Calendars
- Understanding the Standards Process
- Configuring Specification Feedback in JIRA
- FHIR Processes
  - FHIR Implementation - Navigating HL7 Processes Webinar
  - FHIR Implementation Guide Process Flow
  - FHIR IG Proposal
- Comment on HL7 Specifications
  - Submit a FHIR Change Request
  - Submit a CDA Change Request
  - Submit a V2 Change Request
  - Submit a Change Request for other specifications
- HL7 Ballots
- Ballot Announcements
- New Work Group Creation
- Generic Product Family Mission and Charter Template

Ballot / Specification Management
The following links provide information relevant for the management of ballots and specifications.

- Balloting vs Re-balloting
- Informational vs Normative
- Changing the level of an upcoming ballot
- Errata and Technical Corrections
  - Errata Publication CTO Letter Template
  - STU Updates vs STU Ballots
  - Constructing Ballot Document Titles (GOM Section 13.02-13.03.06)
- Notice of Intent to Ballot (NIB) Form
  - Out of Cycle Ballot Criteria
  - Request for Out of Cycle Ballot
    - How to Create an Out of Cycle Ballot Request
  - Upload spreadsheet to JIRA
  - Ballot Comment Amalgamation Macro Download
  - Ballot Desktop
  - Active Ballots with no reconciliation package
  - Non-advancing Ballots
  - Idle Ballot Items
  - Expired STU Ballots
  - ANSI Standards Approaching Expiration
  - STUs Expiring in Next 6 Months
  - FHIR Specification Feedback
  - CDA Specification Feedback
  - V2 Specification Feedback
  - Other Specification Feedback
  - STU Extension Request
  - Withdrawal Request
    - Withdrawal Guidance Chart
    - Specification Withdrawal Template
    - How to Create a Withdrawal Template
  - Recirculation Request
    - How to Create a Publication Request
    - Publishing Schedule
    - Publishing Guidelines
    - Publication of Errata
  - Work Group White Paper Cover Page Template
  - Document Cover Page Template

Working Group Meeting (WGM) Information
The following links provide information about upcoming WGMs

- HL7 Working Group Meetings
  - Upcoming WGM Information and Agendas
  - First Time Attendees (FTA)
    - Introduction to HL7 for First Time Attendees

HL7 Organization
The following links provide information about the organizational structure of HL7.

- HL7 Organizational Chart
- HL7 Board
- HL7 Advisory Council
- HL7 Affiliates
- Technical Steering Committee (TSC)
  - TSC Structure
  - Steering Divisions
  - HL7 Work Groups
  - Co-Chairs
  - Product Family Management Groups
  - US Realm Steering Committee
  - HL7 Terminology Authority
  - Understanding the HL7 Organization

HL7 Terminology
The following links provide information about HL7 Terminology.

- Terminology at HL7
  - Published Terminology
  - Current Integration Build
  - HL7 Vocabulary Maintenance
  - External Terminologies
Tools

The following links provide information about HL7 Tooling

- JIRA Specification Feedback
  - Managing Specification Feedback
  - Configuring Specification Feedback
  - Administering Specification Feedback
  - Projects
  - FHIR Specification Feedback

- How To Articles
  - Zoom
  - FreeConference Call
  - JIRA

- Webinar Recording
  - Slide Deck
  - Q&A Session - March 24, 2021

- Project Insight
  - Webinar: Updating Project Insight

- Gforge (will be retired)
- Sparx Enterprise Architect