CARIN Alliance

Announcements

CARIN IG for Blue Button® STU2 Timeline

- Ballot version IG: https://build.fhir.org/ig/HL7/carin-bb/
- Met with PIE on 11/16 to review the IG.
- Met with the Security WG to discuss the security section and will meet with them on 11/23.
- Met with CBCP on 11/23 to provide them a review of the IG.
- Met with FM on 11/23 and voted to approve the IG to go to ballot.
- All JIRA tickets that we plan to take on for this ballot cycle have been voted on and approved. The remaining tickets have been deferred and will be addressed during the ballot reconciliation process in 2022.
- The ballot begins December 10th and closes on January 9th.
- After that we will go through the reconciliation process to review comments then we will look to make a publishing request for 2.0.0

CARIN IG for Digital Insurance Card STU1 Timeline

- Ballot version IG: https://build.fhir.org/ig/HL7/carin-digital-insurance-card/
- PIE WG voted on 11/16 to approve the IG for ballot.
- FM WG voted on 11/23 to vote to approve IG for ballot.
- The ballot begins December 10th and closes on January 9th.
- After that we will go through the reconciliation process to review comments then we will look to make a publishing request for 1.0.0

CARIN Alliance USCDI Submission

The CARIN Alliance formally submitted new Data Classes and Data Elements in the U.S. Core Data for Interoperability, version 3. The CARIN Alliance submitted two new Data Classes and proposing a modification to an existing Data Class. These are derived from the CARIN Implementation Guide for Blue Button® Common Payer Consumer Data Set (CPCDS). The CPCDS is a logical data set (similar to ONC 2015 Edition Common Clinical Data Set) that meets CMS Blue Button 2.0 API content and defines key payer financial health data.

Once the CARIN Alliance’s submission has been posted on the USCDI website, we will post a link here. Formal comments to existing USCDI elements can be made here: https://www.healthit.gov/isa/united-states-core-data-interoperability-uscdi

CARIN also submitted a letter to Dr. Micky Tripathi, the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, which includes a list of the Data Classes and Data Elements, which can be found here.

Overview

The CARIN Alliance
The CARIN Alliance is a non-partisan, multi-sector alliance co-founded by David Blumenthal, David Brailer, Aneesh Chopra, and Mike Leavitt. The Alliance is led by distinguished risk-bearing providers, payers, consumers, pharmaceutical companies, consumer platform companies, health IT companies, and consumer-advocates who are working collaboratively with other stakeholders in government to overcome barriers in advancing consumer-directed exchange across the U.S.

Our Vision

Our vision is to rapidly advance the ability for consumers and their authorized caregivers to easily get, use, and share their digital health information when, where, and how they want to achieve their goals. Specifically, we are promoting the ability for consumers and their authorized caregivers to gain digital access to their health information via non-proprietary application programming interfaces or APIs. We envision a future where any consumer can choose any application to retrieve both their complete health record and their complete coverage information from any provider or plan in the country.

What is Consumer-Directed Exchange?

Consumer-directed exchange occurs when a consumer or an authorized caregiver invokes their HIPAA Individual Right of Access (45 CFR § 164.524) and requests their digital health information from a HIPAA covered entity (CE) via an application or other third-party data steward.

Projects

Health Plan Project

- **Objective:** Develop a consumer payer data set (similar to Blue Button® 2.0) and corresponding implementation guide for the set of resources that payers can display to consumers via a FHIR API
- **Charter:** Consumer Directed Payer Data Exchange (CARIN IG for Blue Button®) and Health plan project charter
- **Work in Development:** Consumer Directed Payer Data Exchange (CARIN IG for Blue Button®) Implementation Guide (this is still in process and should not be viewed as final) and the PSS for Consumer Directed Payer Data Exchange (CARIN IG for Blue Button®)

Consumer-facing Real-time Pharmacy Benefit Check Project

- **Objective:** Develop a consumer-facing FHIR implementation guide that maps the NCPDP real-time pharmacy benefit check EDI transaction standard to FHIR and includes cash price from the GoodRx API.
- **Charter:** Consumer-facing real-time benefit check project charter
- **Work in Development:** CARIN Consumer-facing Real-time Pharmacy Benefit Check PSS

Join the CARIN Alliance

To learn more about CARIN, or explore opportunities to participate in our activities, please contact us or visit our website.

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