





HL7 January 2019 Working Group Meeting, Connectathon and C-CDA IAT: A Recap

During the week following January 12th, 2019, a delegation from the Dynamic Health IT development team was on hand in San Antonio for the HL7 Working Group Meeting and FHIR Connectathon. Our team shared technical approaches and a vision for the future of FHIR, C-CDA and our industry at large.

allowing implementers to dive deep and uncover best practices in health data sharing. The Connectathon portion now also hosts the C-CDA Implementation-a-Thon (IAT), allowing in-depth collaboration with industry-leading EHR developers.

For the uninitiated, the event is an interoperability extravaganza,

Major policymakers, developers and stakeholders are in attendance for an ambitious look at interoperability from practical and conceptual standpoints. The free flow of information on display mirrors what interoperability itself aspires to be: open and unencumbered. Perhaps most importantly, it reminds us that our human connections are essential to our virtual ones.

For a more detailed view, please see our Blog: www.dynamichealthit.com/blog



FHIR Heats Up HIMSS

In the middle of eCQM submissions for our EH and EP clients, and Carnival season here in New Orleans, it seems impossible that something would be able to pull us away from our office in the Crescent City. However, HIMSS accomplishes this on an annual basis and we were eager to arrive in Orlando for the 2019 conference last week. ONC had just announced a new proposed rule, including the endorsement and mandatory incorporation of FHIR, and the news was traveling faster than the Boeing 737 we were on. This was quite the way to start off our eighth HIMSS conference. Fortunately, we also frequent FHIR Connectathons and have been, and continue to, prepare for the FHIR-based changes ahead.

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2019 Hot Topic:

FHIR R4.0 Released

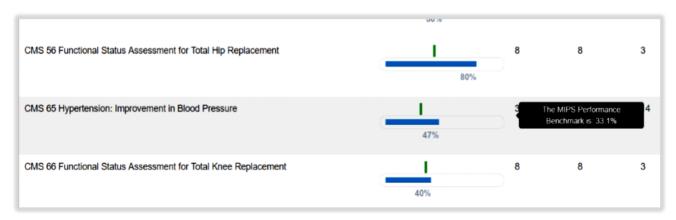
HL7 International published FHIR Release 4 (R4)" So what does this mean? In brief, it's another coming of age moment for FHIR, in which many components of the standard become "normative." While much of this is technical and hidden under the hood in the revision itself, you can look no further than some of the industry standardization – for example, how central FHIR is to Apple Health Kit – to see the effects.



Dynamic Registry: Simplifying Submission

Looking for an easy, streamlined way to submit to MIPS/QPP? The Dynamic Health IT Registry is a cost effective vehicle for doing just that. Make trial submissions; check your score; get near real-time feedback on scoring and errors. Our registry can submit Improvement Activities (IA) and Promoting Interoperability metrics in addition to Clinical Quality Measures. Affordable per-provider pricing or get bulk pricing for larger groups.

CQM Submission: Surpass Benchmarks



When a clinician, group or virtual group submits measures to meet the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) quality performance category, each measure is compared to a benchmark. Benchmarks are divided into deciles and the decile in which you fall determines the points you receive for quality performance – which in 2018 represents 60% of the overall MIPS sore. Benchmarks can be downloaded from the eCQI website (https://ecqi.healthit.gov/).

Dynamic Health IT recently completed an enhancement to our CQMsolution dashboard that allows users to compare performance to the national benchmark each eCQM. This makes it easier to keep pace over the year and target the top decile in order to maximize your MIPS score.

Beyond benchmarks, there's a lot to keep on your radar right now in the CQM world, both for 2018 submission and 2019

Reporting Year data (which began January 1). Most immediately, there are the deadlines:

- Hospital Quality Reporting: February 28, 2019, 11:59pm PT
 Quality Payment Program (MIPS) eCQMs (Web Interface subsequences)
- Quality Payment Program (MIPS) eCQMs (Web Interface submission): March 22, 2019, 5pm PT (non-Web Interface submission): April 2, 2019, 5pm PT

Another exciting enhancement to CQMsolution is the "Submit to DHIT" button. Once you've compared scores to benchmarks and are comfortable with the results, "Submit to DHIT" sends your CQMs to QPP via their new API — no more uploading files and waiting for results. Submission confirmation and results are available right away.

2015 Edition: Relevant As Ever





With funding in question, it's not surprising Certification and Meaningful Use (now Promoting Interoperability) have both seen grave pronouncements within the last few years. But throughout 2018, including at the ONC Annual Meeting, there was a central theme to any discussion about EHR adoption: 2015 Edition Certification is not going away. While many of the ONC and CMS EHR Incentive programs (and their components) have been re-labeled and re-tooled recently, the core requirements remain in place.

The measures comprising 2015 Edition Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT) are still relevant for providers and developers. 2015 Edition CEHRT is still required in 2019 for providers reporting MIPS. And for those providers targeting the "end-to-end bonus" for eCQM reporting, that must be done in conjunction with a system that meets 2015 Edition CEHRT.

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