



Federal Advisory Committee Health IT Advisory Committee (HITAC) Meeting, February 10, 2021

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My name is Shelly Spiro; I'm the Executive Director of Pharmacy HIT Collaborative (PHIT) representing over 250,000 members of the majority national pharmacy associations including pharmacy education and accreditation and 13 associate members.

A major focus of PHIT is to assure pharmacists in all practice settings (community, health-system, hospital, managed care, behavior health and long-term and post-acute care) are integrated in the national health IT infrastructure.

With the wide adoption of the Pharmacist eCare Plan effort using the FHIR standards, PHIT commented on U.S. Core for Data Interoperability (USCDIV2) with additional data elements needed to be included in USCDIV2 to assure non-traditional EHR vendors are able to certify for interoperable exchange of clinical information. This includes Pharmacy system vendors that are sharing over a million pharmacist-provided eCare Plans.

PHIT is the steward of over 650 SNOMED CT[®] codes and over 100 Value Sets within the National Library of Medicine's Value Set Authority Center (VSAC) to standardize the collection, documentation and sharing of medication-related pharmacist-provided clinical services with standards such as the Pharmacist eCare Plan. The PHIT made comments including 2 new data points under a new class Payor/Coverage as follows:

- Data Class - Health Concerns
 - Questionnaire (A structured set of questions intended to guide the collection of answers from end-users. Questionnaires provide detailed control over order, presentation, phraseology and grouping to allow coherent, consistent data collection.
- New Data Class - Payor/Coverage
 - Coverage.payor - The program or plan underwriter or payor including both insurance and non-insurance agreements, such as patient-pay agreements.
- New Data Class - Payer/Coverage
 - Coverage.Subscriber ID - The insurer assigned ID for the Subscriber.
- Data Class - Goals
 - Outcome Code - Identifies the change (or lack of change) at the point when the status of the goal is assessed

Respectfully submitted, Shelly Spiro, RPh, FASCP **Response:** The USCDI Task Group was not aware of our comments and requested ONC create a search tool to assure the task group can sort through the comments more efficiently.