

HL7 Pediatric Data Standards Special Interest Group



Our vision is that child health professionals will use clinical information systems that meet the health care needs of infants, children and adolescents.



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sharing, and retrieval of electronic health information that supports clinical practice and the management, delivery and evaluation of health services. Its 2,200 members represent over 500 corporate members, including 90 percent of the largest information systems vendors serving health care.

The Health Level Seven (HL7) Pediatric Data Standards Special Interest Group (PDSSIG) is creating and promoting information technology (IT) standards by defining pediatric data standards that enhance pediatric care and national pediatric performance measurement.

We are:

- Identifying critical pediatric-specific data standards necessary for standardized quality and outcomes reporting and measurement.
- Identifying and promoting required terminology to support reporting and measurement .
- Coordinating and cooperating with other groups interested in using pediatric data standards .
- Enabling and promoting use of these standards nationally.
- Identifying appropriate pediatric constraints against existing HL7 artifacts.

The PDSSIG is focusing on pediatric information requirements for the electronic health record as a critical priority. We intend to create a pediatric profile of the HL7 EHR-System Functional Model and Standard (EHR-S DSTU) by adding functions to the EHR-S that apply in all pediatric settings. The target date for submission for HL7 national ballot is May 2005.

Join the HL7 Pediatric Data Standards Special Interest Group to help ensure that child health professionals have access to clinical information systems that meet the health care needs of infants, children and adolescents . Membership is free and open to all.

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