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Dear Sir or Madam,

Cerner Corporation, a leading supplier of electronic health record, clinical and revenue cycle information systems appreciate the opportunity to submit comments on certain of the provisions of the current standards approved by the National Coordinator during this open comment period in the Standards Version Advancement Process. We offer comments on the individual standards/implementation specifications outlined below.

Cerner Corporation hopes these comments will be of value to ONC in considering possible update to any of the current standards/implementation specifications. We are happy to help clarify any of the comments should ONC wish to pursue any such conversations with us during the period of public comment review.

Sincerely.

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HL7 2.5.1 Implementation Guide for Immunization Messaging, Release 1.5, October 1, 2014

§ 170.315(f)(1) - Transmission to immunization registries

HL7 Version 2.8.2 Implementation Guide: Immunization Messaging, Release 1 - US Realm – 2018

The HL7 Version 2.8.2 Implementation Guide: Immunization Messaging, Release 1 – US Realm – 2018 is the latest guide available. However, while this is the current version available; we have received feedback from many of our clients that public health agencies are not ready to adopt this latest guide. Also, with the additional vaccine administration reporting requirements put into place for COVID vaccines, we anticipate that more immediate guidance will be needed to support the extra data requirements for COVID vaccination that this latest version does not support either. Given this, we suggest to not include this latest version into the SVAP, but rather wait until the new (COVID related) guidance has been finalized and incorporated into a next version.