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# HITSC Workplan: April Update

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- How can ONC support the conversations that need to occur in the HITSC regarding these topics?
- How can we look ahead beyond ARRA to consider standards necessary for MU3 (and beyond)?
- How can we triage the work into
  - Coordination/additional information from HITPC
  - Existing standards that can be recommended to ONC
  - New/modifications of standards
  - “pulse check” for activities that have a longer time frame or multiple steps to achieve the goals

# Workplan

Q1 – January to March 2013

Topic	HITSC Workgroups	Activities	Next Steps
1. Additional standards to support transport of data to and from patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>NwHIN Power Team</li><li>Privacy and Security</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Presentation of existing transport standards</li><li>Presentation of Rhex pilot</li><li>Presentation of ABBI/Blue button</li><li>Discussion</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>May/June presentation to HITSC</li></ul>
2. Standards to support image exchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Clinical Operations</li><li>Consumer Patient Engagement Power Team</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Presentation to HITPC to get additional clarification of the use cases</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>May presentation to HITPC</li></ul>

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3. Standards which address current content gaps - HL7 version 2 lab orders, formulary downloads, cancel transaction needed for hospital discharge medication e-prescribing, representing genomic data in the EHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical Operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate with Clinical Ops WG to establish agenda and presentation for June</li> <li>Include vocabulary discussion for MU3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June presentation to HITSC</li> </ul>
4. Standards for securing data at rest, especially genomic data and consumer downloads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Privacy and Security</li> <li>Clinical Operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordination with Joy Pritts and P&amp;S tiger team with target for June/July presentation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June/July presentation to HITSC</li> </ul>
5. Standards supporting Digital signature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Privacy and Security</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing work with esMD – presentation to HITSC of current CMS work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June presentation to HITSC (update on esMD, Direct and Certs)</li> </ul>

# Workplan

Q2 – April to June 2013

Based on “Readiness”

Topic	HITSC Workgroups	Activities	Next Steps
1. Improvements to standard to facilitate unambiguous parsing, longitudinal record sharing, and bulk record sharing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical Operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HITSC discussions regarding scope and priorities from April – June, with goal for presentation in July</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>July presentation to HITSC</li> </ul>
2. Standards to record advanced directives/care preferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical Operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HITSC discussions regarding scope and priorities from April – June, with goal for presentation in July</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>July presentation to HITSC</li> </ul>
3. Standards for application programming interfaces supporting modular application integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical Quality</li> <li>Clinical Operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation in August on SDC and HeD activities</li> <li>HITSC discussion around policies regarding open APIs or other certification criteria</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>August presentation to HITSC (update from SDC and HeD initiatives)</li> </ul>

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4. Standards which support flexible platforms for measuring and reporting quality (QueryHealth, QRDA/HQMF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Clinical Quality</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update on the standards to support clinical quality and quality improvement</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>August presentation to HITSC (Need presentation from Health eDecisions and QM)</li></ul>

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5. Standards for clinical decision support, both knowledge representation and application programming interfaces (APIs) for query/response to knowledge resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clinical Quality</li><li>• Clinical Operations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update on the standards to support clinical quality and quality improvement</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• August presentation to HITSC (pair with quality presentation)</li></ul>
6. Standards which support defect reporting to PSOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clinical Quality</li><li>• Clinical Operations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation from AHRQ/PCOR activities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• September/October presentation to HITSC (update from SDC)</li></ul>
7. Standards needed for registry support including structured data capture and transmission to third party repositories	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clinical Quality</li><li>• Clinical Operations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update from CDC (immunization registries) and review of current registry activities</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• September/October presentation to HITSC</li></ul>

# Questions/Discussion