Implementing Consolidated-Clinical Document Architecture (C-CDA)

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Learning Objectives

This course is intended to provide learners with practical use cases for implementing clinical documents that successfully achieve MU2 Objectives (using the Consolidated-CDA Implementation Guide, July 2012).

After completing this course, you will be able to:

- Describe Meaningful Use Stage 2 Standards and Certification Criteria (MU2), its impacts, and an overview of how conformance to the rule can be achieved
- Describe briefly how CDA and the C-CDA IG are used to achieve applicable MU2 objectives
- Demonstrate the implementation of various clinical documents that conform to both MU2 & C-CDA data requirements:
  - Use Case #1: Transition of Care Objective (Primary Care Provider)
  - Use Case #2: View/Download/Transmit Objective (Orthopedist)
Describe Meaningful Use Stage 2 Standards and Certification Criteria (MU2), its impacts, and an overview of how conformance to the rule can be achieved.
CMS & ONC Rules: “Meaningful Use”

Meaningful Use Stage 2 (MU2)

• Specifies the data and standards requirements for certified electronic health record (EHR) technology (CEHRT) needed to achieve “meaningful use”
Reference: ONC Health Information Technology : Standards, Implementation Specifications, and Certification Criteria for Electronic Health Record Technology, 2014 Edition; Revisions to the Permanent Certification Program for Health Information Technology 170.314(b)

CMS: Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs Stage 2
• outlines incentive payments (+$$) for early adoption
• outlines reimbursement penalties (-$$) for late adoption/non-compliance
Reference: CMS Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Electronic Health Record Incentive Program – Stage 2 Final Rule 495.6
MU2 sets measurable objectives (170.314) for Eligible Professionals (EPs) or Eligible Hospitals (EHs) / Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) to obtain CMS incentives (CMS 495.6)

- MU2 objectives are categorized to reflect Health Outcomes Policy Priorities
- 2 of 7 cert. categories REQUIRE USE OF CONSOLIDATED-CDA (C-CDA)
MU2 2014 Certification
Categories & Objectives Overview

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<td>Care Coordination</td>
<td>Transition of Care 170.314(b)(1)&amp;(2)</td>
<td>when transitioning a patient to another care setting, the EP or EH/CAH should provide a summary care record</td>
<td>Transition of Care/Referral Summary</td>
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<td>Patient Engagement</td>
<td>Data Portability 170.314(b)(7)</td>
<td>when a patient transitions from provider or setting to another, a medication reconciliation should be preformed</td>
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<td>Clinical Summary 170.314(e)(2)</td>
<td>provide clinical summaries for patients for each office visit</td>
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MU2 Data Requirements Example: Transition of Care Objective

Common MU2 Data Set

- Patient name
- Sex
- Date of birth
- Race **
- Ethnicity **
- Preferred language
- Care team member(s)
- Allergies **
- Medications **
- Care plan
- Problems **
- Laboratory test(s) **
- Laboratory value(s)/result(s) **
- Procedures **
- Smoking status **
- Vital signs

Objective-Specific Data Requirements

- Provider Name & Office Contact Information (Ambulatory Only)
- Reason for Referral (Ambulatory Only)
- Encounter Diagnoses **
- Cognitive Status
- Functional Status
- Discharge Instructions (Inpatient Only)
- Immunizations **

NOTE: Data requirements marked with a double asterisk (**) also have a defined vocabulary which must be used.
Vocabularies are used to assign a **unique value to a clinical concept**

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By standardizing a distinct set of codes for a clinical concept, MU2’s use of vocabularies promotes the use of common definitions when sharing information across diverse clinical environments.
Describe briefly how the CDA and C-CDA IG are used to achieve applicable MU2 objectives
Clinical Document Architecture (CDA) is the base standard for building electronic clinical documents

Templates provide the “building blocks” for clinical documents

To help simplify implementations, commonly used templates were harmonized from existing CDA implementation guides and “consolidated” into a single implementation guide – the C-CDA Implementation Guide (IG) (07/2012)
MU2 Requirements Achieved via C-CDA

CDA standardizes the expression of clinical concepts which can be used/re-used

Templates are used to specify the ‘packaging’ for those clinical concepts

Sets of CDA templates are arranged to create a purpose-specific clinical document

MU2 adds data requirements, which can be layered on top of C-CDA document templates by the EP or EH/CAH to achieve MU2 compliance

NOTE: No single C-CDA document template contains all of the data requirements to sufficiently meet MU2 compliance – C-CDA & MU2 guidelines must be implemented together.
C-CDA IG as a Single Source for 9 Key Document Templates

**Document Template**
- Continuity of Care Document (CCD)
- Consultation Note
- Diagnostic Imaging Report (DIR)
- Discharge Summary
- History and Physical (H&P)
- Operative Note
- Procedure Note
- Progress Note
- Unstructured Document

**Section Template(s)**
- Allergies
- Medications
- Problem List
- Procedures
- Results
-Advance
- Directives
- Encounters
- Family History
- Functional Status
- Immunizations
- Medical Equipment
- Payers
- Plan of Care

Section templates in YELLOW demonstrate CDA's interoperability and reusability.

**Document Templates: 9**
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**Section Templates: 60**

**Entry Templates: 82**
Chapter 1: Introduction

Chapter 2: General Header Template – defines a template for the header constraints that apply across all of the consolidated document types

Chapter 3: Document-Level Templates – defines each of the nine document types; defines header constraints specific to each and the section-level templates (required and optional) for each

Chapter 4: Section-Level Templates – defines the section templates referenced within the document types described

Chapter 5: Entry-Level Templates – defines entry-level templates, called clinical statements (machine readable data)

Appendices – include non-normative content to support implementers; includes a Change Appendix summary of previous and updated templates

Click this link to access more information about the


Allergies Section with Coded Entries Optional
[section: templateId 2.16.840.1.113883.10.20.22.2.6 (open)]

The following constraints apply to an Allergies section in which entries are not required.

1. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] templateId (CONF:7800) such that it
   a. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1]
      @root="2.16.840.1.113883.10.20.22.2.6" (CONF:10378).

2. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] code (CONF:15345).
   a. This code **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] @code="48765-2" Allergies,
      adverse reactions, alerts (CodeSystem: LOINC 2.16.840.1.113883.6.1)
      (CONF:15346).

3. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] title (CONF:7802).

4. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] text (CONF:7803).

5. **SHOULD** contain zero or more [0..*] entry (CONF:7804) such that it
   a. **SHALL** contain exactly one [1..1] **Allergy Problem Act**
      (2.16.840.1.113883.10.20.22.2.6.30) (CONF:7805).

Template data requirements are listed as “**SHALL**” (required), “**MAY**” (optional
– not shown here) or “**SHOULD**” (recommended) statements in the C-CDA IG.
CDA documents are specified by

- A “Document” template, for example:
  - CCD
  - Op Note
  - Discharge Summary, etc.
- “Section” template(s), for example:
  - Allergies
  - Medications
  - Problems, etc.
- “Entry” template(s), for example:
  - Functional Status Result Observation
  - Plan of Care Activity Observation
  - Smoking Status, etc.
Demonstrate the implementation of various clinical documents that meet both MU2 & C-CDA data requirements
How to Implement a MU2 & C-CDA-compliant Document Overview

1. Choose the C-CDA Document Template that best fits your clinical workflow.

2. Include C-CDA components defined by that Document Template
   a) Required components
   b) Optional components appropriate for the clinical situation

3. Add C-CDA components required to meet MU2
   a) Review which data requirements have already been met
   b) Add C-CDA components aligning to data requirements that have not yet been met
Use Case #1: Transition of Care Objective (Primary Care Provider)
Use Case #1 Scenario Overview

**Scenario:** A patient is experiencing severe knee pain and is referred to an Orthopedist by their Primary Care Provider (PCP). The PCP needs to generate a summary document to provide to the Orthopedist.

This use case exhibits the “Transition of Care” MU2 objective in action:

§ 170.314 (b)(2) Transitions of care – create and transmit transition of care/referral summaries

No single C-CDA Document Template includes all of the elements needed to satisfy MU2 data requirements.

**NOTE:** The Document Templates within C-CDA are considered “open” templates, which means that, in addition to the required and optional Sections defined in the template, an implementer can add to the Document whatever C-CDA Sections are necessary for his purposes.
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In this scenario, treatment has been provided by a PCP:

- Given that this treatment is in an ambulatory setting, a Discharge Summary would not be appropriate.
- Since the PCP HAS NOT been providing care at the request of another provider, a Consultation Note would not be appropriate.
- Given the clinical scenario to be described, a Continuity of Care Document (CCD) is the most appropriate C-CDA Document Template to use.
Step 2a: Include C-CDA components defined by the Document Template (REQUIRED)

Start with the Sections required by the CCD Template in the C-CDA IG:

- US Realm Header
- Allergies
- Medications
- Problem
- Results

NOTE: Sections are required for a Document Template when the information contained in those sections will ALWAYS BE clinically relevant to the clinical scenario the document template is intended to describe.
Step 2b: Include C-CDA components defined by the Document Template (OPTIONAL)

Continue by adding the *clinically relevant* Sections that are optional in the CCD Template in the C-CDA IG:

- Encounters
- Plan of Care
- Vital Signs
  - Advance Directives
  - Family History
  - Functional Status
  - Immunizations
  - Medical Equipment
  - Payers
  - Procedures
  - Social History

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Step 3: Add Data Required by MU2

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## Objective-Specific Data Requirements
- Provider Name & Office Contact Information (Ambulatory Only)
- Reason for Referral (Ambulatory Only)
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Step 3b: Add C-CDA components for remaining data requirements

C-CDA Sections are added to the CCD to address the outstanding MU2 data requirements.

- Hospital Discharge Instructions (Inpatient Only)
- Cognitive Status
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- Procedures **
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Use Case #1 Scenario Summary

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- The Continuity of Care Document (CCD) Document Template was the **best fit for the clinical workflow** in this scenario.
- Many of the Transition of Care Objective data requirements were met using the C-CDA document template.
- Additional sections were added as necessary to meet outstanding MU2 data requirements.

[C-CDA and MU2 icons]

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Rendered CCD Example

“Good Health Health Summary” from the “U.S. Realm” Header (Document Title element)

“Document ID” from the “U.S. Realm” Header (Document ID element)

“Allergies”, “Medications” & “Problems” sections implemented to meet “CCD” and Transition of Care Objective requirements

Use Case #2: View/Download/Transmit Objective (Orthopedist)
**Scenario:** The Orthopedist, after consulting with the patient, schedules surgery to be performed and provides an ambulatory summary to the patient including the care plan to be followed leading up to the surgery.

This use case exhibits the “View/Download/Transmit” MU2 objective in action:

§ 170.314 (e)(1)(i) Electronically transmit the ambulatory summary or inpatient summary

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- The **Continuity of Care Document (CCD)** is intended to summarize a full episode of care, and as such may be too cumbersome for this scenario.
- Since the Orthopedist is providing care at the request of the PCP, a **Consultation Note** is the best fit for the clinical workflow.
Step 2a: Include C-CDA components defined by the Document Template (REQUIRED)

Start with the Sections required by the CCD Template in the C-CDA IG:

- US Realm Header
- Assessment and Plan
- Reason for Visit
- Chief Complaint
- History of Present Illness

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Step 2b: Include C-CDA components defined by the Document Template (OPTIONAL)

Continue by adding the *clinically relevant* Sections that are optional in the Consultation Note Template in the C-CDA IG:

### CDA Document Header
- Allergies
- Family History
- General Status
- History of Past Illnesses
- Immunizations
- Medications
- Review of Systems
- Social History
- Physical Exam

### CDA Document Body
- Problem
- Procedures
- Results
- Vital Signs

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**Objective-Specific Data Requirements**
- Admission & Discharge Dates (Inpatient Only)
- Admission & Discharge Locations (Inpatient Only)
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- Provider Name & Office Contact Information (Ambulatory Only)
- Reason(s) for Hospitalization (Inpatient Only)

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Use Case #2 Scenario Summary

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**Consultation Note**

- **Patient**: Mr. Adam Everyman
- **Date of birth**: November 25, 1954
- **Race**: White
- **Contact info**: Primary Home: 17 Davis Rd., Blue Bell, PA 02368, US; Tel: (751)555-1212
- **Document Id**: 993232 2.16.840.1.113883.19
- **Document Created**: March 29, 2005, 17:18:04 +0000
- **Author**: Henry Seven
- **Contact info**: Work Place: 123 Main St., Boston, MA 02368, USA; Tel: (555)123-1234
- **Encounter Type**: Evaluation and Management
- **From**: March 29, 2005 to March 29, 2005
- **Mrs. Abigail Ruth**
- **Work Place**: 123 Main St., Boston, MA 02368, USA

### Allergies, Adverse Reactions, Alerts

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### Assessment

1. Recurrent GI bleed of unknown etiology; hypotension perhaps secondary to this but as likely secondary to polypharmacy.
2. Acute on chronic anemia secondary to #1.
3. Azotemia, acute renal failure with volume loss secondary to #1.
4. Hyperkalemia secondary to #3 and on ACE and K+ supplement.
5. Other chronic diagnoses as noted above, currently stable.

### Reason for Visit/Chief Complaint

- Dark stools

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"Allergies” section template required by ALL MU2-compliant clinical document

"Reason for Visit/Chief Complaint” section template required to meet Consultation Note document template requirements

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Learn More about C-CDA

Join the Implementation Guidance SWG, Transitions of Care Initiative for weekly meetings on Monday from 5:00-6:00pm EDT

http://wiki.siframework.org/TOC+Implementation+Guidance+SWG

Access the S&I Framework Wiki for the latest version of the Companion Guide to Consolidated-CDA for Meaningful Use Stage 2

Q & A
Thank you for your participation

This concludes today’s training concerning “Implementing CDA”.

For more information about these and other related topics, visit the ONC website

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