

Quality Data Model (QDM) User Group Meeting | Minutes

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5 Minutes	Announcements	Zachary May (ESAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cooking with CQL Webinar was held on June 25th at 4:00 PM ET. These sessions are generally held on the third Thursday monthly. Upcoming events can be found by going to the eCQI Resource Center events page. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Please submit CQL-related questions to cql-esac@esacinc.com.
30 Minutes	Review Documentation for Author dateTime QDM-237	Floyd Eisenberg (ESAC)	<p>Overview:</p> <p>QDM versions 5.3, 5.4, and 5.5 include the following language to reference author dateTime: “Author dateTime references the time the assessment was recorded and applies only when the record has no reference to the time the assessment was performed and only the recorded time is available.” This applies to the following datatypes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment, Performed • Device, Applied • Diagnostic Study, Performed • Encounter, Performed • Intervention, Performed • Laboratory Test, Performed • Medication, Administered • Physical Exam, Performed • Procedure, Performed • Substance, Administered <p>As discussed during the June QDM User Group (UG), an Encounter may remain open until the practitioner finishes documenting on the record.</p> <p>If the actual time an activity is performed is not present, the current QDM documentation allows use of author dateTime. This advice can cause incorrect calculation of the measure in that author dateTime can be significantly different from the performance time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Example: Colorectal screening

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recorded history of colonoscopy for screening may be recent (within the 10 year expected interval) ○ The actual occurrence may be much older <p>Consider: Implementers should rely on the measure expressions to determine how to report times for events. If information is lacking (i.e., no Relevant dateTime) when the expression only lists Relevant dateTime, the data element should be considered non-compliant and not allow substitution of author dateTime.</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Lisa Anderson (TJC) - What is done in clinical practice if they are not sure of the date?</p> <p>Peter Muir (ESAC) suggested the clinician would try to pin down at least the year, but may enter a range of years in the chart. Staff will chase the information and update the chart with accurate data as available. This is an issue clinically.</p> <p>ESAC asked: If only a date range is available, should it be left up to the implementer to handle, or should guidance be provided? Errata could be issued on QDM that removes the language that indicates author dateTime may be substituted, or a Known Issue could be added. Is this necessary?</p> <p>Lisa Anderson (TJC) suggested this suggestion is reasonable, because if left as is, confusion will continue for another year.</p> <p>ESAC recommended the following wording:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modify QDM 5.5 guidance to: “Author dateTime references the time the action was recorded.” • In each QDM datatype include: “Refer to the eCQM expression to determine allowable timings to meet measure criteria.” • Suggest retaining Negation Rationale timing statement: “Negation of QDM datatype-related actions for a reason always use the author dateTime attribute to reference timing and must not use Relevant Period.” • Consider a QDM Known Issue to assure implementer understanding. <p>Claudia Hall (Mathematica) suggested that clarifying the timing makes sense.</p>

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			<p>Peter Muir (ESAC) - What about when a date range is entered? If there is a date range in the chart this needs to be taken into account by the measure developers.</p> <p>ESAC questioned whether measure developers already incorporated this into their CQL expressions. If not, perhaps a follow-up on the measure expression side is needed because the logic must account for date ranges to ensure the interpretation is as expected.</p> <p>Claudia Hall (Mathematica) noted measure developers have not had a chance to implement v5.5 and use Relevant dateTime. Suggested it might be useful to explore options for addressing date ranges.</p> <p>Angela Flanagan (Lantana) asked if the date range is discrete data.</p> <p>Peter Muir (ESAC) suggested how EHRs capture this varies. Some only capture a distinct date, and the range is entered in the comment field. This is a problem. Suggested it is best practice to err on side of caution (i.e., in the case of colonoscopy, err on side of too long). If entering as a date, choose longest date.</p> <p>ESAC agreed it would be helpful to understand how to address in CQL. It is only relevant in CQL if able to interpret structured data about the range. This is worth investigating; however the reality is that this is likely not occurring very often.</p> <p><u>Resolution/Next Steps:</u></p> <p>ESAC to draft Known Issue and submit to eCQM Workgroup and Governance. ESAC will also update QDM as an errata version with corrected language.</p>
90 Minutes	QDM – QI-Core Mapping Discussion	Floyd Eisenberg (ESAC)	<p>ESAC presented an overview of the QDM to FHIR QI-Core mapping to recap prior discussions, to describe the general approach and to encourage participation in the Clinical Quality Information (CQI) Workgroup review activities for the upcoming QI-Core ballot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QI-Core R4 ballot content • QDM-to-QI-Core mapping draft <p>Some specific points in the discussion include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FHIR, and therefore, QI-Core includes an Observation resource that encompasses six QDM datatypes, some specifying specific profiles: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Assessment, Performed <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Smoking Status

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			<p>For Assessment uses other than smoking status, use the generic Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Care Experience c. Diagnostic Study, Performed d. Laboratory Test, Performed e. Physical Exam, Performed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Vital Signs ii. Pediatric Weight for Height iii. Pediatric BMI for Age <p>For Physical Exam observations other than vital signs or the pediatric specific items, use the generic Physical Exam Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> f. Symptom <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. QI-Core Procedure includes new QI-Core extensions to allow expression of a principal procedure. The User Group also discussed the concept of an elective procedure Vs and urgent procedure. Suggestions included use of the ServiceRequest (i.e., Procedure Order) with priority of elective or urgent since the order includes that capability. The group questioned if there will always be an order. Another option is to use the Encounter priority to determine elective or urgent. While that is helpful, an urgent need for a procedure may occur within an elective encounter. The QDM UG referred discussion to the HL7 Patient Care Workgroup which would discuss the issue on July 11, 2019 during their routine call to manage FHIR tracker items (5 PM ET). 3. Further discussion addressed the mechanism in FHIR and QI-Core to manage a discharge medication list, i.e., QDM Medication, Discharge. There are numerous options including MedicationStatement with category of community, MedicationRequest with intent of <i>order</i> and <i>plan</i> (order to cover meds prescribed for discharge, plan to cover meds recommended but not prescribed as they are already present at home or they are over-the-counter). The group deferred to requesting input from HL7 FHIR. 4. Subsequent to the QDM UG meeting, Mia Nievera (TJC), Lisa Andersen (TJC) and Floyd Eisenberg (ESAC) joined the HL7 Patient Care Workgroup call. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Procedure <i>priority</i>: The result of the discussion is that ServiceRequest (i.e. Procedure Order) is the correct way to determine an urgent procedure.

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			<p>Advice from the implementers on that call indicated that admission orders include procedure orders and those orders include reference to urgency. If a procedure becomes more urgent, the order is updated. Thus, the ServiceRequest priority can address the need to determine procedure priority in that every procedure references the ServiceRequest that initiated it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Result – HL7 Patient Care Workgroup is not adding <i>priority</i> to the Procedure resource and QI-Core should reference ServiceRequest to handle priority. b. Medications at discharge: The Patient Care Workgroup referenced many discussions across HL7 about the discharge medication list. Options were the FHIR list function which was considered too generic, MedicationStatement which was considered problematic to determine if the statement was about meds in the hospital or in the future. MedicationStatement is generally used for current meds (and defining current was the problem at the time of discharge). The Patient Care Workgroup recommended use of MedicationRequest with reference to intent = <i>plan</i> and <i>order</i>. That is the approach they are using going forward. ESAC consulted Zulip (FHIR social networking site for implementers) and received the same response from a chair of the HL7 Pharmacy Workgroup. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Result – Use MedicationRequest to indicate medications at discharge.
5 Minutes	Next Meeting	Zachary May (ESAC)	<p>Agenda items for next QDM user group meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Contact us at qdm@esacinc.com – Or start a discussion: qdm-user-group-list@esacinc.com <p><u><i>If you attend the QDM User Group meetings but do not receive communications or have access to the QDM User Group List, please send an email to QDM@esacinc.com so you may be added to the distribution list.</i></u></p> <p>Next user group meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Regularly Scheduled Meeting – August 21, 2019 from 2:30 to 4:30 PM ET.

Invitees/Attendees:

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