

# Healthcare Directory

Thank you for your participation with the JUNE 13-14 Healthcare Directory Workshop. Outcomes are being documented on the [Healthcare Directory Workshop Page](#).



## Healthcare Directory Initiatives

The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology's (ONC) Shared Nationwide Interoperability Roadmap includes a call to action to advance the nation's provider directory efforts. On April 5th and 6th, 2016, ONC and the Federal Health Architecture (FHA) jointly hosted a Provider Directory Workshop to convene public and private stakeholders to review challenges, share successes, and generate new ideas around provider directory standards and solutions. Although participants described different use cases for healthcare directories, they agreed that data quality is a persistent challenge across the industry.

To address concerns about data quality, reduce administrative burden, and improve consumer satisfaction, ONC and FHA launched a new healthcare directory effort in July 2016. The project seeks to: (1) define the architecture of a proposed national resource of validated healthcare directory data, and (2) develop an HL7 Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) Based Implementation Guide describing the exchange of information between a national resource of validated healthcare directory data and local environments (e.g. provider organizations, payers, HIEs)

The proposed national resource would include a broad set of provider data that supports a variety of healthcare directory use cases. Data would be validated against primary sources (e.g. state licensing boards for licensure information) and available to local environments through a national exchange standard. Providers would only have to attest to much of their information once for the national resource, rather than for each local environment.

ONC/FHA's Healthcare Directory effort is comprised of the Technology Learning Community (TLC) and four tiger teams.

**The Healthcare Directory Technology Learning Community meetings are currently suspended. We are planning for a second workshop to be held June 13th and 14th 2019 in Washington, DC. Details to follow.**

**Please see the the continuous build of the [HL7 FHIR Validated Healthcare Directory Implementation Guide](#) and the [January 2019 HL7 Connectathon information](#) for the results and current state of the teams work as completed through the HL7 ballot process.**

Provider Directory Workshop - 2016	Healthcare Directory TLC	Healthcare Directory Tiger Teams	Healthcare Directory Workshop - 2019
<p>The purpose of the Provider directory Workshop was to convene public and private stakeholders to review past and current challenges, share success stories, and generate new ideas around provider directory standards and solutions.</p> <p>To read more about the workshop and to view presentation materials visit the <a href="#">Provider Directory Workshop Page</a>.</p>	<p>The Healthcare Directory Technology Learning Community (HcDir TLC) was developed as a response to findings from the Provider Directory Workshop. This TLC will continue discussions and collaborations centered around provider directories.</p> <p>To learn more about the TLC and to view meeting materials visit the <a href="#">Healthcare Directory TLC Page</a>.</p>	<p>Four Tiger Teams have been established for Use Cases, Data Elements, Architecture and Interoperability. The goal is to describe the architectural and data requirements of a common resource for validated data to support healthcare directories.</p> <p>To read more about these Tiger Teams and review final materials visit the <a href="#">Healthcare Directory Tiger Teams page</a>.</p>	<p>ONC hosted it's Second public forum focused on healthcare/provider directories on June 13-14. This workshop was a follow up to the highly-successful previous workshop hosted by ONC and the Federal Health Architecture (FHA) in April 2016.</p> <p>To read more about the outcomes of that meeting please visit the <a href="#">Healthcare Directory Workshop Page</a>.</p>