

# HL7 Australia AGM - Nov. 14, 2007

## Chair's Report

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Chair - HL7 Australia



# Core Activities

- Membership
- Standards: Providing the HL7 Standards materials
- Education: Standards & Implementation
- Support: of HL7 Users in Australia
- Certification: People, Products' messages, etc.



# HL7 Australia - NEHTA

- In March 2007, the Australia National eHealth Transition Authority (NEHTA):
  - Approved HL7 as the national standard for the electronic messaging of health information.
    - Use V2.x standards for existing systems
    - HSSP and CDA R2 for new national projects
    - Industry to migrate to HL7 V3 methodology
  - NHIG had endorsed HL7 in August 2004
  - Dept. of Health acknowledged HL7 in 1997
- "Working Together" Agreement (WIP)



# HL7 Australia Membership

- Membership 2004-05: 163
- Membership 2005-06: 171
- Membership 2006-07: ~180



# HL7 Australia Business Plan

HL7 Australia – Plan 2004 -2005			
Stakeholders	Mission, Vision and Values	Key Result Areas	Projects
<p><b>Members</b> Organisations and individual representing Software vendors, software developers, consultants, software customers, healthcare providers, industry associations, clinical colleges, etc.</p> <p><b>The HL7 Community</b> <a href="#">HL7.org Inc. (USA)</a> and other HL7 Affiliates, HL7 participating Standards developers (eg. Regenstrief, <a href="#">SNOMED</a>, DICOM, ISO, CEN, W<sup>3</sup>C, etc.)</p> <p><b>Australian Government Agencies</b> <a href="#">Dept. of Health &amp; Ageing</a> - Information &amp; Communication, Pharmaceutical Benefits, Diagnostics and Technology, AHMC, AHMAC, NHIG, ICTSC, HDSC, NOIE, <a href="#">HealthConnect</a>, State/Territory Depts. of Health, DVA, DITR, HIC, etc.</p> <p><b>Standards Developers</b> IT-14/SAI, AIHW, NCG, ACHS, openEHR, DICOM, ISO, CEN, UN/EDIFACT, etc.</p> <p><b>Registries</b> - cancer, immunisation, infectious diseases, public health, surveillance, etc.</p> <p><b>University Health Informatics Centres</b> CQU, CCEH Ballarat, IeH UoW, CHI UNSW, Monash, Tasmania, Adelaide, UQ, USyd, etc.</p> <p><b>Health Informatics Associations</b> HISA, HIMAA, ACHI, etc.</p> <p><b>Clinical Colleges and University Faculties</b> RACN, RCPA, RACP, RACGP, etc.</p>	<p><b>HL7 Australia is an Association supporting a community of interest in the health-care sector.</b></p> <p><b>Mission</b> HL7 Australia supports the HL7 user community by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Co-ordinating and championing the development and implementation of the Australian and global family of HL7 standards.</li> <li>•Developing skills and knowledge exchange amongst members and the wider informatics community.</li> <li>•Promoting HL7 as the most effective standard for systems interoperability and information management in health care.</li> </ul> <p><b>Vision</b> HL7 Australia is a viable, respected and influential association. Australia is recognised as a leader in the adoption and development of the HL7 family of standards with appropriate national resources and expertise and this has led to better health and efficiency.</p> <p><b>Values</b> As an association we:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Value and support our volunteers</li> <li>•Respect the expertise and work of our membership</li> <li>•Have open, consensus-based processes</li> <li>•Operate efficiently and not for profit</li> <li>•Are effective champions for interoperability in healthcare systems</li> <li>•Support implementation of standards as the best indication of their value</li> </ul>	<p><b>1 Standards Development</b></p> <p><b>1.1 National</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Influence activities in standards development</li> <li>•Provide infrastructure for new initiatives</li> <li>•Promote HL7 family of Standards</li> </ul> <p><b>1.2 International</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Facilitate Aust. participation in international HL7 development</li> <li>•Facilitate Int. participation in Aus standards development</li> </ul> <p><b>2 Education, skills development and knowledge transfer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Hold workshops and conferences</li> <li>•Develop educational resources with CQU &amp; UoB</li> <li>•Market resources globally</li> </ul> <p><b>3 Association and membership services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Business and membership services – esp electronic</li> <li>•Recruitment</li> <li>•Good planning and clear lines of responsibility</li> <li>•Secretariat and accounting</li> </ul> <p><b>4 HL7 Aus Shop &amp; Licensing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Education resources</li> <li>•Licensing</li> <li>•HL7 Expert Certification &amp; Conformance Testing</li> </ul>	<p><b>1 Standards Development</b></p> <p><b>1.1 Technical Committees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Decision Support</li> <li>•Diagnostic Imaging</li> </ul> <p><b>1.2 International Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Co-ordination of participation</li> <li>•Organise financial support</li> </ul> <p><b>2 Education, skills development and knowledge transfer</b></p> <p><b>2.1 On-line</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Strategy and business case development with CQU</li> </ul> <p><b>2.2 Conferences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•HL7, XML and Archetypes – Mar 2004 (with SAI joint mtg)</li> <li>•Jul 2004 (with HIC2004)</li> </ul> <p><b>2.3 Workshops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•CDA, Arden, CDSS, etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>3 Association and membership services</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Recruitment</b></p> <p><b>3.2 Secretariat</b></p> <p><b>4 HL7 Aus Shop &amp; Licensing</b></p> <p><b>4.1 Shop</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Standards Materials</li> <li>•<a href="#">Conference DVDs</a></li> </ul> <p><b>4.2 Licensing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Negotiate agreement for Australia-wide license</li> </ul> <p><b>4.3 Certification</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Business case for analyst certification and conformance testing</li> </ul>

V1.6 - February 2004

● Updating in December 2007...



# HL7 Australia Activities: Standards

- Distribution of HL7 Standards Materials
  - Free Access to HL7 Standards (Members only)
  - HL7 Bookshop
    - *Thanks to AHML for their support!*
  - License to Standards Australia
  - License to Dept. of Health & Aging
  - Planned: National License



# HL7 Australia Activities: Education 1

- March 2007: Workshop, Melbourne  
"Pathology/Diagnostic Imaging Implementation"
- May 2007: Co-Sponsor NEHTA Workshop, B'bane
  - Industry & Jurisdictions
  - Provided ~140 HL7 Info Kits
- July 2007: HL7 Introduction Session, NEHTA
  - by Video Conference
  - ~45 participants in four locations



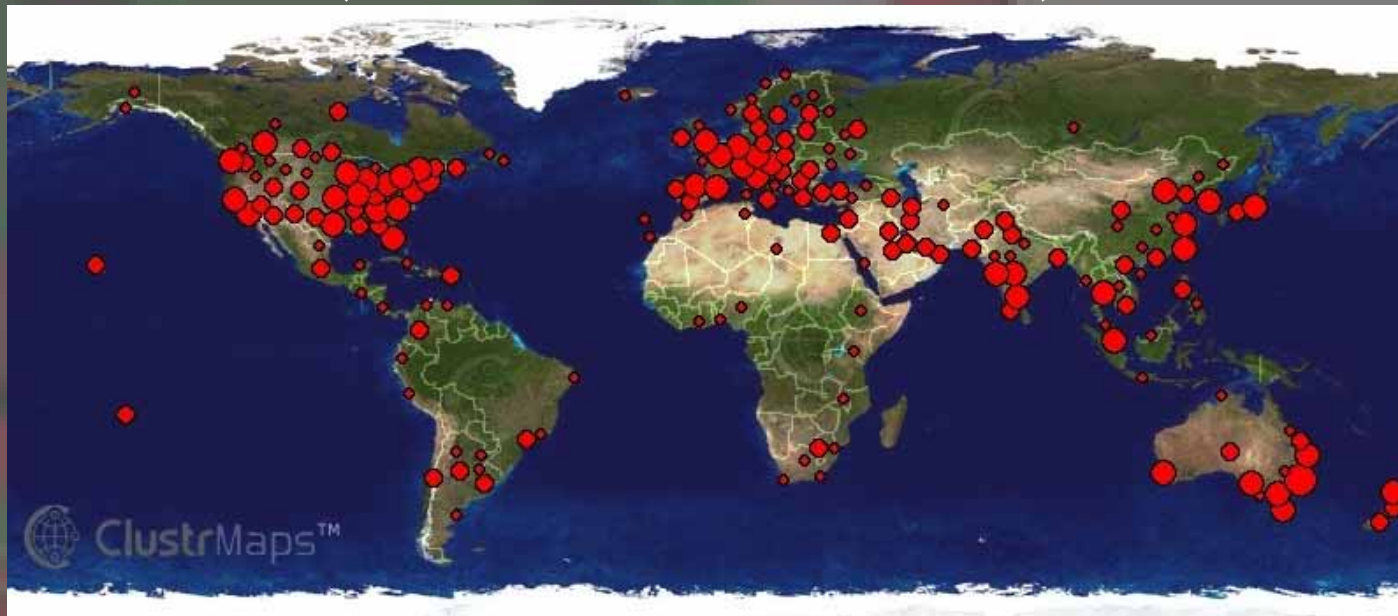
# HL7 Australia Activities: Education 2

- Sept. 2007: MedInfo, Brisbane
  - Joint booth with HL7 Global
  - Co-located with Standards Australia and NEHTA
  - IHE-style Interoperability Demo
  - Handed out ~300 HL7 Information Kits
- October 2007: 2-day Seminar Melbourne
- Nov-Dec 2007: Education Series
  - Sydney (November 12-16)
  - Melbourne (December 3-7)
  - Produced for HL7 Australia by CCeH



# HL7 Australia Activities: Support

- Educational events
- E-mail list (~ 600 members)
- Web site (~ 15,000 hits/month)



# HL7 Australia Activities: Certification

- MoU with Australia Healthcare Messaging Laboratory (AHML)
  - Users in >16 Countries
  - Working together to promote and support
  - [www.AHML.com.au](http://www.AHML.com.au)
- Professional Certification ...



# HL7 Australia Activities

- Other Activities
  - What else should we do?

*Thank You for Your Support!!!*

