

HL7 Australia Annual General Meeting 2008

Chairman's Report

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Chairman - 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 Membership

- Membership 2004-05: 163
- Membership 2005-06: 171
- Membership 2006-07: 180
- Membership 2007-08: 127



HL7 Australia - News

- March 2007: the National eHealth Transition Authority (NEHTA) approved HL7 as the national standard for the electronic messaging of health information in Australia.
- Since the change in NEHTA's leadership in April 2008, there is increased focus on HL7 Standards, vendor engagement and practical implementations. This was confirmed by new CEO, Peter Fleming
- HL7 Australia core supporter of IHE 'Connectathon' and Interoperability Showcase 2008
- First IHE Connectathon held in July 2008 (Canberra)
- 4th Interoperability Showcase held in August 2008 (Melbourne)
- Standards Australia IT-014 / HL7 Australia Joint Meeting Dec. 2008



HL7 Australia Activities: Support

- Supporting the "IHE Australia" effort
- E-mail list (>800 members)
- Web site (~ 15,000 hits/month)



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HL7 Australia Activities: Certification

- MoU with Australia Healthcare Messaging Laboratory (AHML)
 - Users in >41 Countries
 - Working together to promote and support
 - www.AHML.com.au
- Professional Certification ...



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Strategic Review

- What can HL7 Australia contribute to the e-health in Australia?
- What is HL7 Australia?
 - A user group?
 - The Australian representation in HL7.org Global?
 - A marketing organisation of HL7.org?
 - A "Skills and Knowledge Exchange"?
 - An "Implementation Experience Exchange"?
 - The "Glue" between NEHTA specifying and States/Territories implementing?
- New Board will continue this review ...

