



# HL7 Australia Strategic Plan 2010 – 2012

HL7 International is a global standardisation body that publishes standards to facilitate interoperability of health information systems. HL7 Australia is a not-for-profit, membership-based organization that supports e-health in Australia via the creation and effective use of HL7 standards. Membership is open to any individual or organisation - membership benefits include access to all HL7 International standards, discounts on education and training, regular news updates and implementation support. Our key stakeholders are the Australian health sector and e-health community, and the national and international standards communities.

<u>Mission, Vision and Organisational Values</u>	<u>Key Result Areas (and 2010 Performance Indicators)</u>
<p><b>Mission</b> Our mission is to promote and facilitate the development and use of HL7 and related standards to meet Australian needs</p> <p><b>Vision</b> Our vision is that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HL7 standards are used widely and consistently across the Australian health sector to facilitate effective interoperability and re-use of health information</li> <li>• HL7 Australia is recognised as the primary body responsible for development, education, adoption and certification of the HL7 family of standards in Australia</li> <li>• HL7 Australia is a respected association that is influential both in Australia and internationally</li> </ul> <p><b>Values</b> HL7 Australia operates in ways that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respect and promote the expertise and commitment of our members</li> <li>• Contribute positively to dialogue amongst stakeholders</li> <li>• Build communities of interest</li> <li>• Are open, inclusive, transparent, consensus-building and ethical</li> <li>• Are consistent with contemporary best practice in standardisation and corporate governance</li> </ul>	<p><b>Build HL7 capability in Australia</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop and deliver education and training (Develop curricula and deliver at least one program)</li> <li>• Raise health leadership awareness of HL7 and its merits (Commence Ambassador events)</li> <li>• Provide a certification program for Australian HL7 practitioners (Commence certifying)</li> <li>• Ensure successful 2011 HL7 International WGM and satellite events in Sydney (Over 100 Australian attendees and adequate sponsorship)</li> <li>• Provide support to implementers (Build and support at least one e-health user community)</li> </ul> <p><b>Support e-health standardisation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support adoption and consistent use of HL7 standards (Increased adoption of HL7 interoperability solutions)</li> <li>• Ensure Australian HL7 localisation meets users' needs (Delivery of relevant implementation guides)</li> <li>• Ensure relevant international specifications meet Australian needs (Meaningful international participation)</li> <li>• Promote harmonisation between HL7 and other standards (Meaningful participation in harmonisation)</li> <li>• Deliver an effective e-Health interoperability support program (Successful IHE Australia "PIP Secure Messaging" Connectathon and Interoperability Showcase)</li> <li>• Support third party system certification against HL7 standards (Update collaboration arrangements)</li> </ul> <p><b>Enhance HL7's regional presence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with other Asia-Pacific HL7 Affiliates to support to HL7 communities (Develop a regional plan)</li> <li>• Enhance visibility of Asia-Pacific HL7 Affiliates (NZ and Asia-Pacific stream at HL7 WGM in Sydney)</li> </ul> <p><b>Improve our organisation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build our membership (30% increase in number of entries in the membership register)</li> <li>• Build value to members (Satisfy a majority of members)</li> <li>• Maintain financial sustainability (Maintain a reserve of at least 12 months estimated expenditure)</li> <li>• Build our governance performance (Review constitution and ensure compliance; consistently use transparent and accountable decision making processes)</li> <li>• Improve visibility and influence (Be an active participant in relevant forums; sustain ≥ 1200 website hits/week)</li> </ul>



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## 2010 Projects/Activities

### **Build HL7 capability in Australia**

- Develop and commence delivery of an Australian education and training curriculum and resources
- Develop and commence delivery of an HL7 Ambassador program in Australia
- Develop and commence delivery of a certification program for HL7 practitioners in Australia
- Promote the HL7 International WGM in Sydney in January 2011, obtain sponsorships and develop associated events
- Develop and commence operation of an E-Health implementation support program
- Provide the Australian community of HL7 experts and users, with linkages to international peers

### **Support e-health standardisation**

- Provide access to and effective licensing for Australian use of HL7 standards
- Actively support the development and harmonisation of e-health standards in Australia and globally, including coordination of Australian balloting of HL7 International standards
- Support IHE Australia in delivery of the IHE Australia “PIP Secure Messaging” Connectathon and ongoing activities
- Support national initiatives for conformance, certification and accreditation, in particular as they relate to HL7 standards
- Update our collaboration agreements in 2010, in light of changes in the e-health landscape
- Provide visibility of HL7 standards through relevant events and channels

### **Enhance HL7’s regional presence**

- Develop a regional plan for HL7 support in collaboration with other Asia-Pacific HL7 Affiliates; update NZ collaboration plan
- Develop HL7 NZ and Asia-Pacific event(s) for the January 2011 HL7 International WGM

### **Improve our organisation**

- Review and update our Rules of Association
- Survey our members
- Improve financial control
- Review internet presence to improve member services and enhance implementation support activities
- Facilitate members’ access to HL7 products and services
- Provide a bi-monthly E-newsletter
- Improve decision making process to be fully transparent and accountable

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