



# Carequality Monthly Information Call

*February 28, 2019*

# Agenda

- Opening Remarks: February in Review
- Workgroup Updates and Participation Opportunities
  - FHIR Policy and Technical Specifications Workgroup
  - Implementation Guide Updates Workgroup
  - Push Notifications
- CCA Updates Status
- Production Operations Update
- Your Questions



# Opening Remarks

## February 2019 in Review

- A break with tradition – no Carequality overview!
- HIMSS 2019
- HHS proposed rules (so...many...pages)
- Lots of great conversation and progress in our workgroups
- Clock ticking for new Carequality Connected Agreement updates

# Workgroup Updates



# FHIR Workgroups Update

- Both workgroups began fleshing out the Technical and Policy decisions to be made around creating a Carequality FHIR Ecosystem in November of 2018
- Each workgroup has their own dedicated Carequality webpage where progress can be tracked on a weekly basis:
  - <https://carequality.org/get-involved/technical-workgroup/>
  - <https://carequality.org/get-involved/policy-workgroup/>
- The Technical Workgroup has been addressing the ecosystem elements necessary for “implement once, connect universally” connectivity:
  - Endpoint discovery, including details for Capabilities Statements
  - Authentication, including dynamic registration
  - Authorization
- The Policy Workgroup has been addressing policies questions related to:
  - Error handling
  - Uptime and response time
- You’re welcome to participate in the meetings: send an email to [Admin@Carequality.org](mailto:Admin@Carequality.org) and you’ll be given information on how to attend

# IG Updates Workgroup

- Carequality's Query-Based Document Exchange Implementation Guide is currently at version 2.0, with major enhancements adopted last Spring
- We are engaged in a similar effort this year, to develop version 3.0. This version will focus on a number of areas, most notably document content requirements and non-treatment permitted purposes
- Conversations to date have focused on:
  - Adoption of the Carequality-CommonWell Joint Document Content Workgroup recommendations, as Carequality requirements
  - Testing/validation processes to enforce those requirements
  - Ongoing connectivity validation processes, for existing live gateways
  - Required reporting metrics
  - Payment and Operations permitted purposes
- Future topics include the Patient Request permitted purpose
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## Push Notifications – New Workgroups Forming!

- We are launching work on an additional new Use Case Implementation Guide
- This IG will focus on a push-based notifications pub-sub model
- As with FHIR, we are launching both a technical and a policy workgroup
- Thanks to all who have already volunteered for these workgroups; scheduling of the recurring meetings is underway
- There is still room for more! Please contact us at [admin@carequality.org](mailto:admin@carequality.org) if you're interested in participating



# CCA Updates Status

# Background

- We have been working for some time on version 2.0 of the Carequality Connected Agreement (CCA)
- Notice to all CCA signatories yesterday (2/27/19) of the finalized version
- Implementers have 30 days (through March 29<sup>th</sup>) to register an objection
- In the absence of sufficient objections, the new version will go into effect on April 29<sup>th</sup>
- Amendments proposed to the Carequality Connection Terms (CC Terms) will need to be “implemented” (i.e. flowed down to CCs) by ~July 5<sup>th</sup>

## Next Steps

- **If you are an Implementer/CCA Signee:**
  - Please acknowledge receipt of the notice email sent yesterday afternoon (if you didn't receive it, check with colleagues, especially those who attend the Monday bi-weekly Implementer calls)
  - Review the redline version, with particular focus on the commented changes which are new since the last round of review
  - Consider whether you wish to register an objection
  - Watch for the acknowledgment agreement that we will distribute to formalize your acceptance of the amended version
- **If you are a Carequality Connection:**
  - Your Implementer may need you to take action, e.g. signing an amendment, depending on how the CC Terms were originally applied

# Production Operations Update



# Current Carequality Connected Agreement Signees

## HIEs and HINs



## Technology Vendors



## Service Providers



## Consumer Apps



## Other





## In Production:



~14M documents per month

Estimated 120+ million clinical documents exchanged since July 2016

# Your Questions

Thank You!