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# Overview of the Healthcare Information Technology Standards Panel (HITSP)



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# HITSP Mission

- ▶ *“ to serve as a cooperative partnership between the public and private sectors for the purpose of achieving a widely accepted and useful set of standards specifically to enable and support widespread interoperability among healthcare software applications”*



# HITSP Principles

- ▶ *Transparency*
- ▶ *Openness*
- ▶ *Stakeholder representation*
- ▶ *Impartiality and balance*
- ▶ *Effectiveness and relevance*
- ▶ *Consensus*
- ▶ *Performance-based*
- ▶ *Coherence*
- ▶ *Consistency*
- ▶ *Due process*
- ▶ *Timely*
- ▶ *Flexibility*



# HITSP Scope

- ▶ Provides the process by which stakeholders identify, select and harmonize standards, implementation profiles and information policies essential for establishing privacy, security and interoperability among healthcare software applications.
- ▶ Use case driven with decision making based on industry needs.



# HITSP Panel Responsibilities

- ▶ Facilitate development & harmonization of standards to identified use cases
- ▶ Elect HITSP Board Members
- ▶ Ratify Panel Chair
- ▶ Approve & ratify governance documents & operating procedures



# HITSP Panel Responsibilities (cont'd)

- ▶ Ratify & adopt HITSP deliverables (i.e. use case recommendations)
- ▶ Recommend priorities to AHIC
- ▶ Ratify a self-sustaining business model
- ▶ Other acts as necessary

