

# HL7 Today & Tomorrow

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# Overview

- What's cookin'
- What's hot
- Quo vadis?
- What some of my friends tell me

“Perfection is achieved,  
not when there is nothing  
more to add,  
but when there is nothing left  
to take away.”

Antoine de Saint-Exupery



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# Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources

The principles underlying  
FHIR development  
are meant to address the challenges  
learned in  
30 years of  
standards development.



FHIR enables an  
evolutionary  
development path  
with  
other HL7 standards\*

\* Many are embedded in Federal regulation



FHIR focuses on  
implementation\*

\* and implementers



# FHIR development is global\*

FHIR development workshops in UK, Canada,  
Australia, Netherlands, Argentina, and  
Japan...as of Monday.





# FHIR is Free

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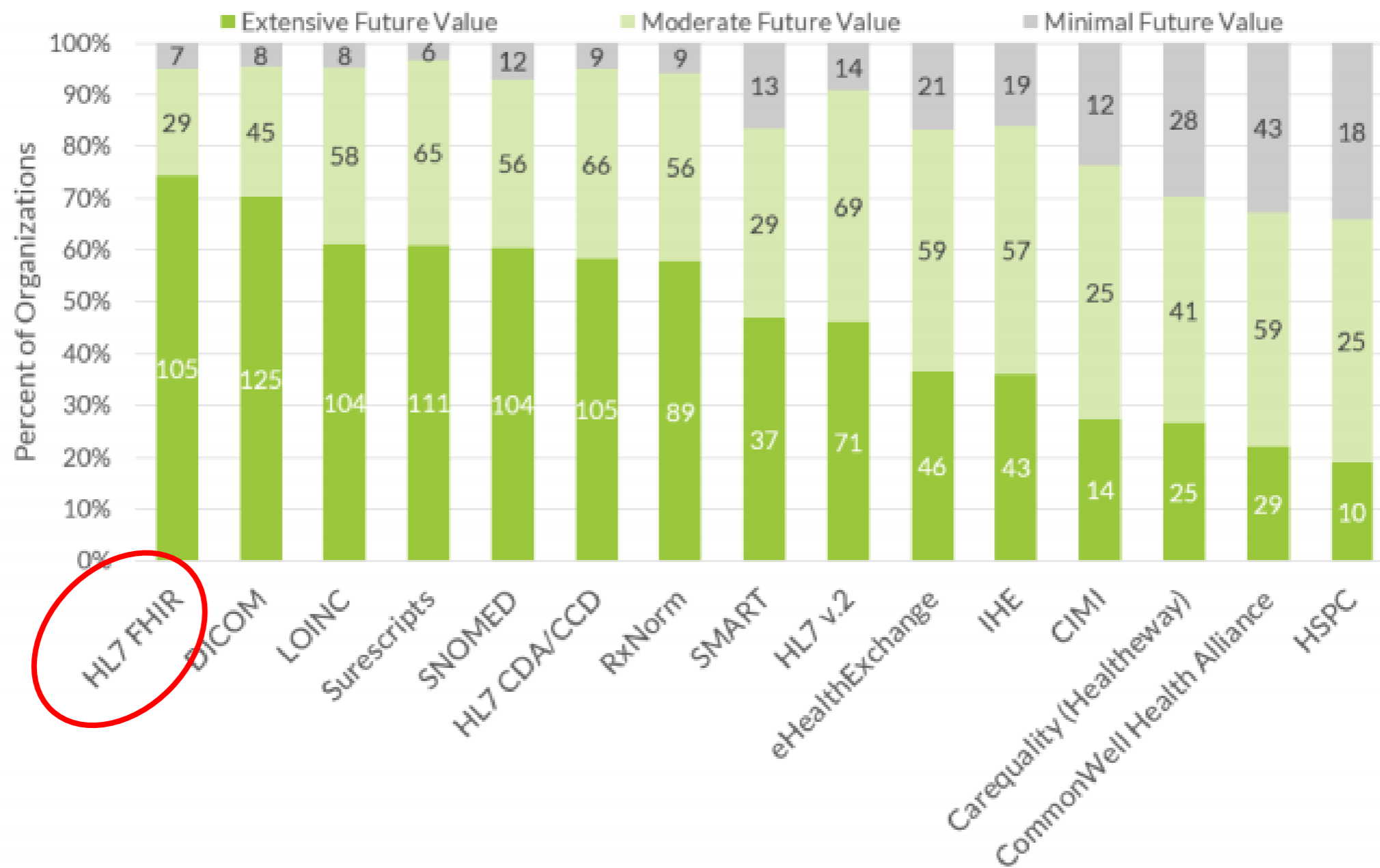
“You can accomplish anything in life,  
if you don’t mind who gets  
the credit.”

Harry Truman

# HL7 FHIR: Future of Interoperability

## Which Standards, Organizations, Associations, and Collaborations Will Provide Future Interoperability Value?

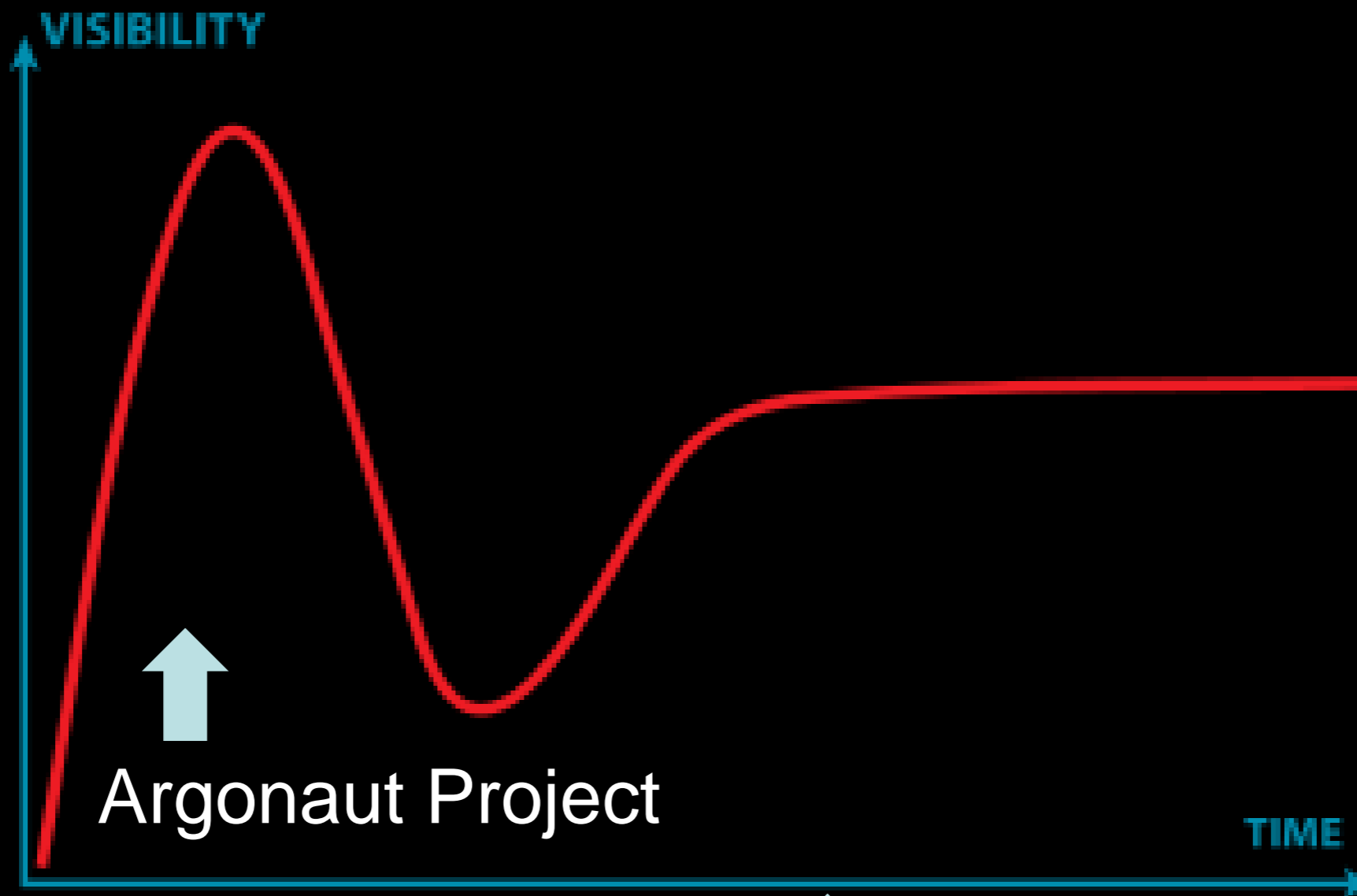
Provider leaders were asked which standards, organizations, associations, or collaborations will provide the highest future value to national interoperability success



# A gentle word of caution about FHIR

↓ Current Status

The Gartner Hype Cycle



↑  
2017





# JASON Task Force & the Argonauts

# Argonaut Project Origins

- \* JASON Task Force recommendations on market-based interoperability governance and coordination, and call to action on “public APIs”
- \* Market experience with MU 2 and associated US certification

# The Argonaut Project

- Leverages the work of other initiatives such as the S&I Framework, SMART, and HSPC
- Accelerates the maturation of FHIR for the industry
- Open to all participants

# The Argonaut Project is NOT

- An organization or entity
- Competitive with other existing initiatives
- Proprietary



# Argonaut Phase I

- \* Accelerated the development of the FHIR specification for the balloting of the Draft Standard for Trial Use (DSTU) Release 2
- \* Supported the creation of a community of FHIR implementers

“If I had asked my customers what they wanted, they would have asked for a faster horse.”

Henry Ford

# Argonaut Phase II

- \* Supported the development of resources for a FHIR **implementation registry**, FHIR **conformance testing**, and a robust source of stable resources and artifacts.
- \* Completed the development of reliable specifications for **security and authorization**

# Argonaut Phase II Implementation Program

- \* Formalized implementation programs
- \* Developed focused **sprint initiatives**
- \* Implemented testing tooling & artifacts
- \* Published test results for internal and external audiences

# Argonaut Phase III Implementation Program

## Welcome to the Argonaut Project Implementation & Testing Wiki

Sprint	Dates	Check-in Meetings
Sprint 1: <a href="#">Patient</a> , <a href="#">Allergies</a> , <a href="#">Problems</a>	5/25 - 6/14	Tuesday 5/25 3-4PM ET
Sprint 2: <a href="#">Vital signs</a> , <a href="#">Labs</a> , <a href="#">Smoking</a> , <a href="#">Care Team</a>	6/14 - 7/5	Tuesday 6/14 4-5PM ET
Sprint 3: <a href="#">Medications</a> , <a href="#">Immunizations</a> , <a href="#">Goals</a> , <a href="#">UDI</a>	7/5 - 8/2	Tuesday 7/5 4-5PM ET
Sprint 4: <a href="#">Procedures</a> , <a href="#">Plan of treatment</a>	8/2 - 8/30	Tuesday 8/2 4-5PM ET
Sprint 5: <a href="#">Assessment</a> , <a href="#">Health Concerns</a>	8/20 - 9/27	Tuesday 8/30 4-5PM ET
Sprint 5: Review	9/27	Tuesday 9/27 4-5PM ET

For discussion and collaboration on either Argonaut-focused implementation activities or Argonaut-focused FHIR development please use the [Argonaut Project Google Group](#)

# Argonaut Implementation Program

To date, there are over 150 healthcare systems, vendor corporations, academic institutions, government agencies, pharmaceutical companies, payer organizations, and independent developers committed to supporting and implementing solutions based upon FHIR specifications.



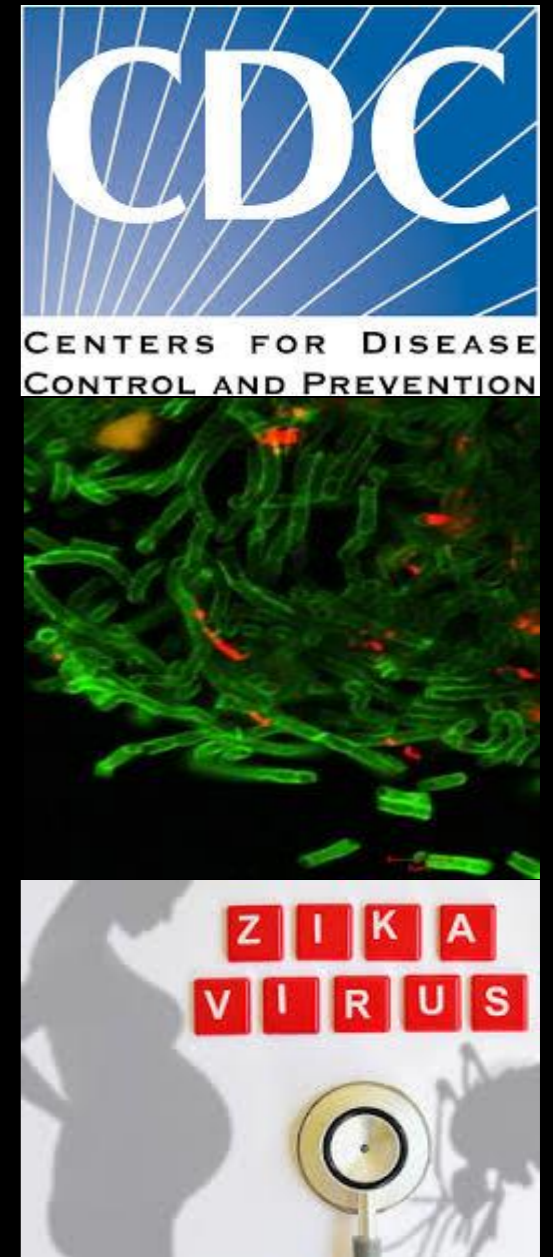
Collaboration

FDA has enabled an ecosystem with 15,000 open APIs that support FHIR





CDC is collaborating with the FHIR application developers for public health reporting



# HL7 FHIR Foundation

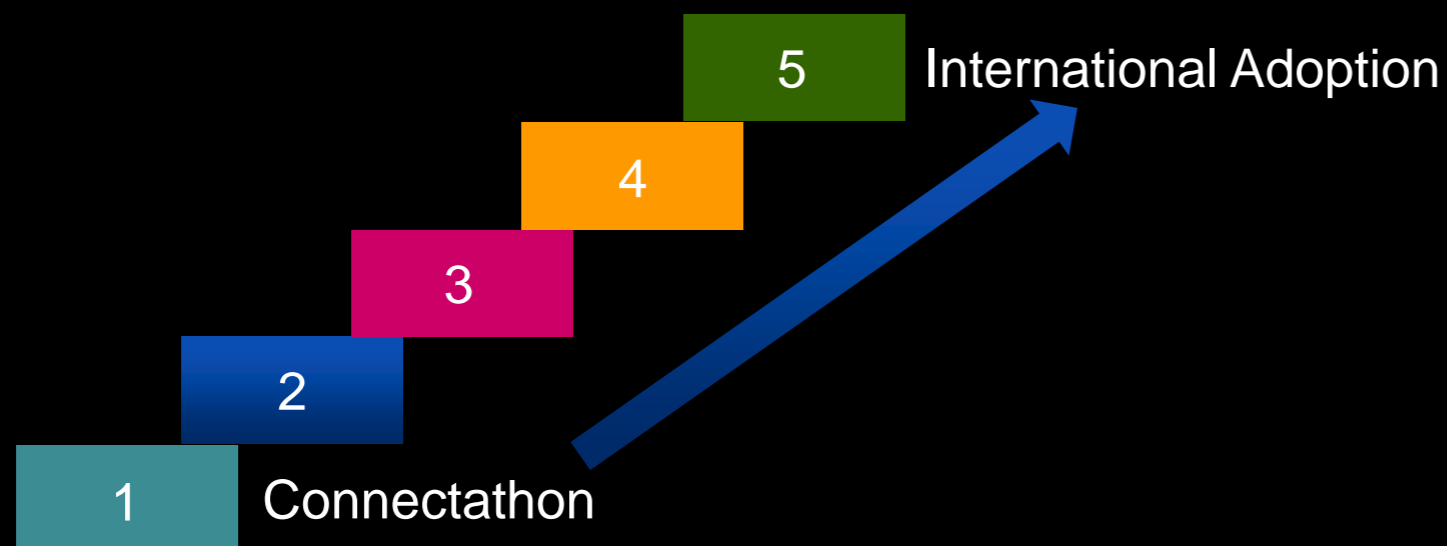


The mission of the newly announced  
*FHIR Foundation*  
is the support of implementers and  
implementation\*

\*FHIR.org



The international *FHIR Maturity Model* was envisioned to ensure developers of the value and stability of FHIR



Government regulation only  
codifies standards.  
Standards bring value  
when they are adopted in the  
marketplace.

# Partners in Interoperability



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Interoperability™

The HL7 *Partners in Interoperability* is a coalition of various stakeholders, including Medical Societies, BioPharma, and the Payer community, paving a path toward interoperability



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More than two hundred clinical organizations, IT developers, government agencies and healthcare systems *worldwide* are now committed to developing FHIR applications





CMS is coordinating a diverse ecosystem of developers for creation of the Blue Button on FHIR



# Precision Medicine Initiative Implementing FHIR

June 28, 2016  
Washington



# FHIR Applications Roundtable

- \* Showcase for FHIR Apps & Development tools
- \* Platform for best practices & collaboration
- \* 28 Apps & tools in demonstration environment
- \* Harvard Medical School, July 27-28



# Payer Summit Implementing FHIR

July 11-12, 2016  
AHIP Innovation Center  
Chicago



# HL7 FHIR Clinical Connectathon

September 23, 2016  
Baltimore

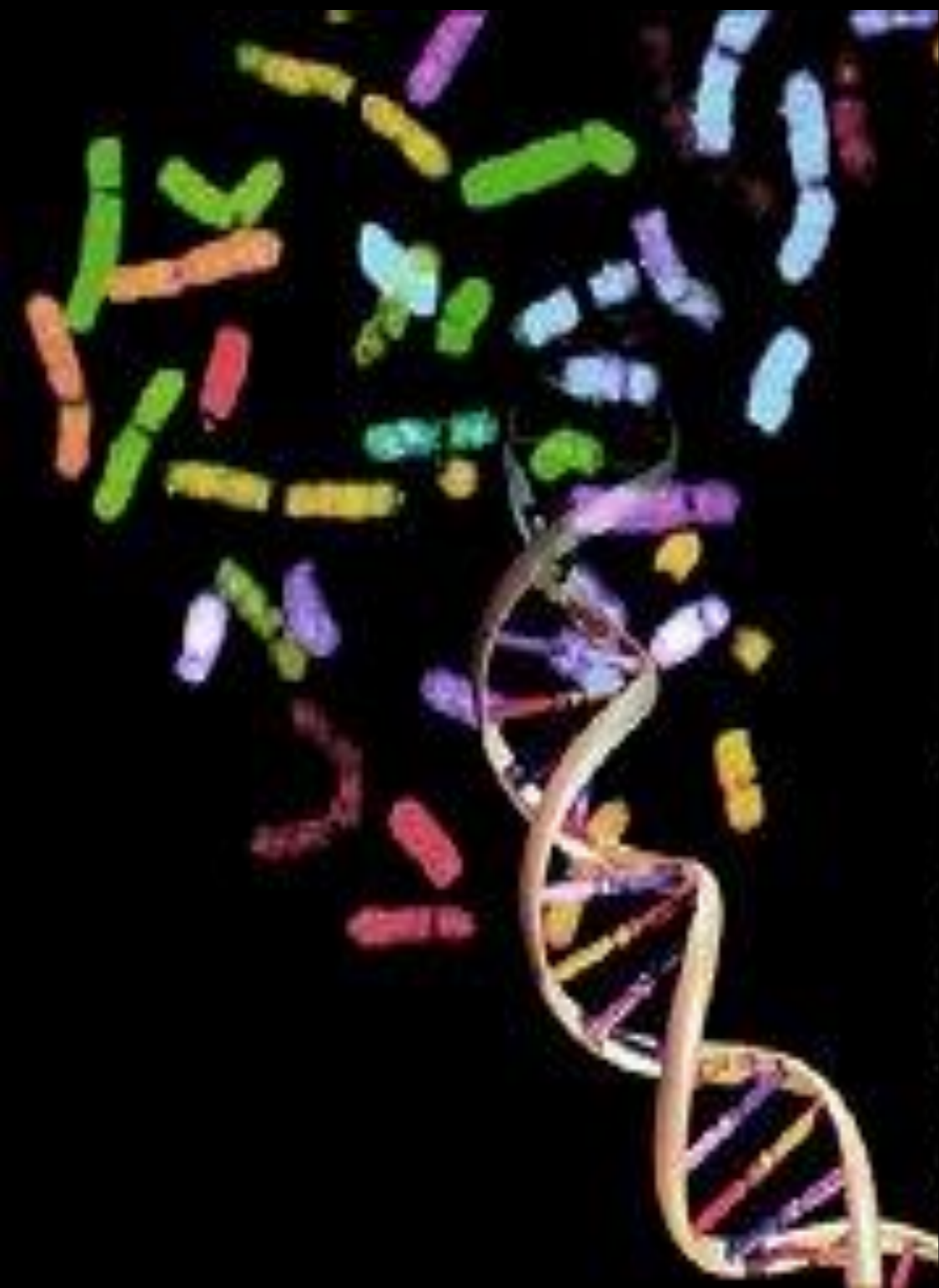


CHIME

Standard of Standards

Initiative





# HL7 International Genomics Summits

October 27-28, 2016  
Washington

**HL7 FHIR Half-day Tutorial for  
CMIOs & Medical Informatics  
Professionals  
with a focus on implementation  
Sunday, November 13**





# International BioPharma Leveraging FHIR

Joint meeting with FDA TBD



The only standard that  
never changes  
is the standard you never use.



*Normative version* of FHIR, backward compatible with Release 2.1, is planned for the Spring of 2017



# Looking Ahead





# CDA Enhancement

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US ONC Funded

- \* Implementation-a-thon

  - Second event to be held September 14-15

- \* Companion Guide

  - For ballot with September cycle

- \* Rendering Tool Challenge

  - Results announced at September Plenary

- \* Platform for C-CDA Examples

  - RFP released in August

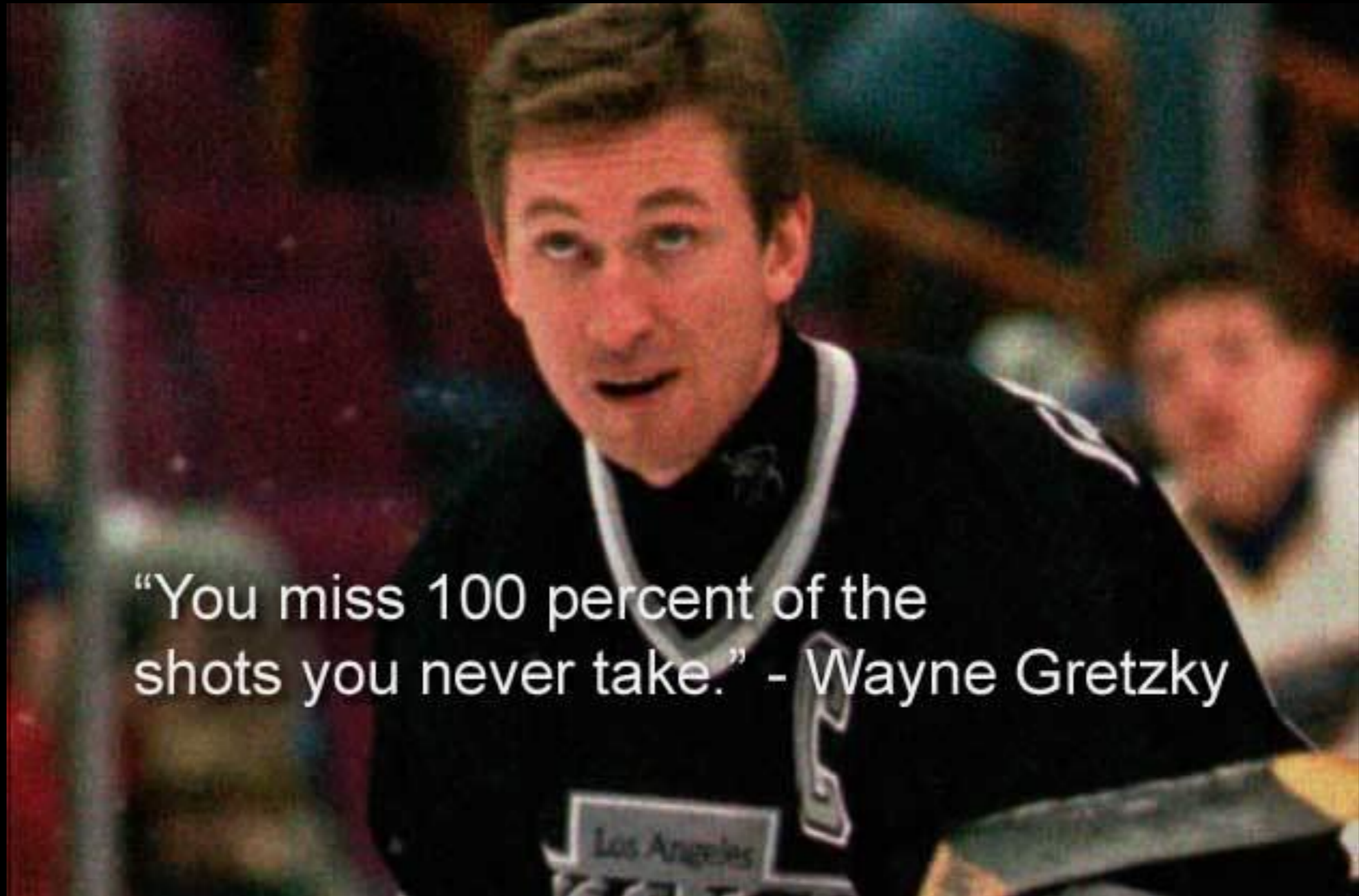
- \* Scorecard Development



A standard is not used because  
we created it.  
It is a standard because  
people use it.



# Change Management





Some undocumented & unattributable  
thoughts

According to a  
Fruit Company in Cupertino

I can say that Apple announced the use of  
CDA in the Healthkit  
during the World Wide Developers Conference  
two weeks ago.



# Health Records

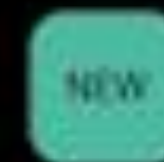
## Overview

Represent different types of patient visits

Support international HL-7 CDA standard

Available through patient health care portals

Imported via Safari, Mail, and your apps



Industry Consolidation is a *fait accompli*

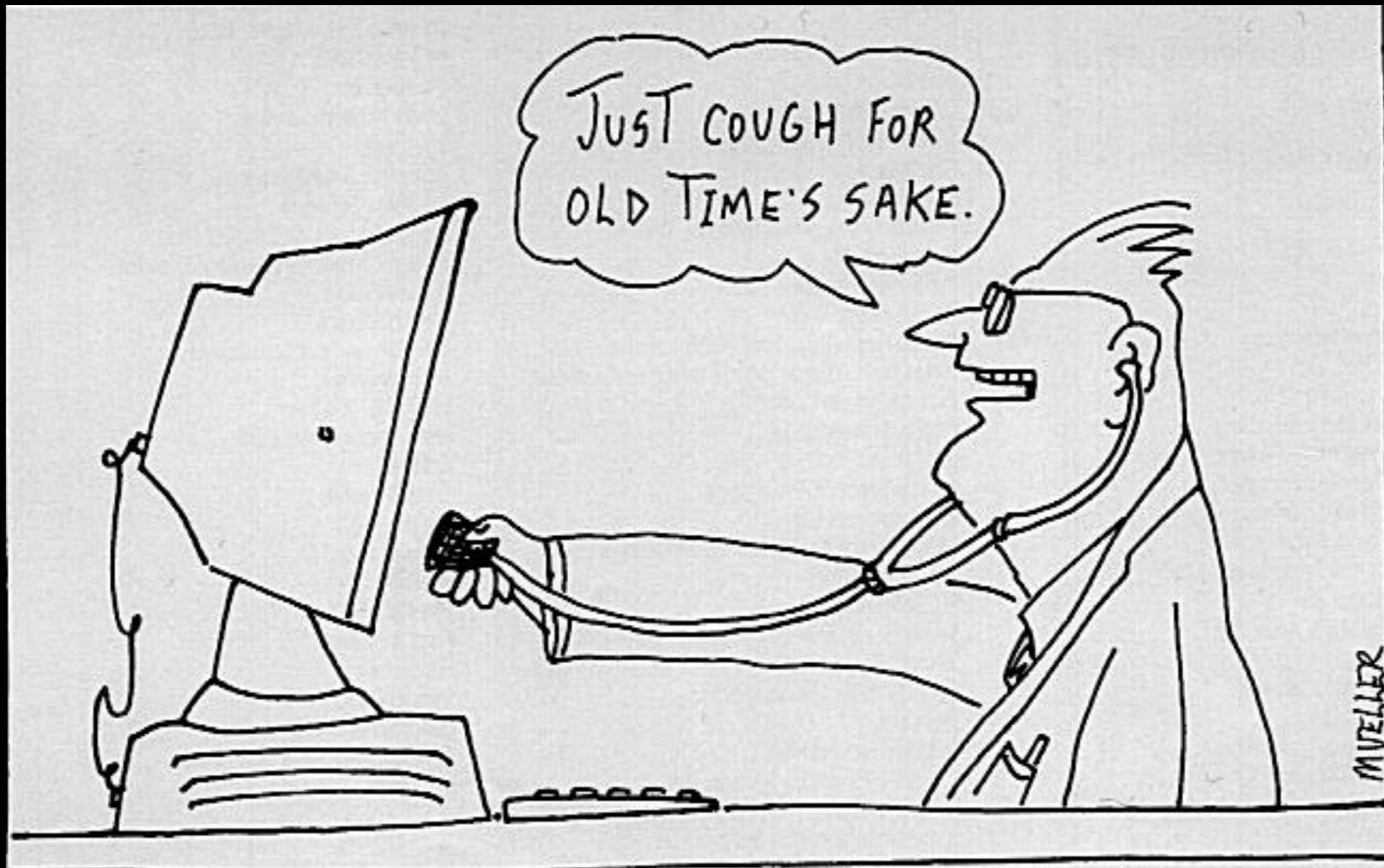
It's a lot like baseball...you win some, you lose some,  
and some are rained out.

# HL7 FHIR Panel

June 23  
9:30 -10:30



Thank you



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