

Transmission to public health agencies — antimicrobial use and resistance reporting

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Regulation Text

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§ 170.315 (f)(6) *Transmission to public health agencies – antimicrobial use and resistance reporting—*

Create antimicrobial use and resistance reporting information for electronic transmission in accordance with the standard specified in § 170.205(r)(1).

Standard(s) Referenced

Applies to entire criterion

§ 170.205(r)(1) [Health Level 7 \(HL7®\) Implementation Guide for CDA® Release 2 – Level 3: Healthcare Associated Infection \(HAI\) Reports, Release 1, U.S. Realm, August 2013](#)

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§ 170.205(r)(1) [HL7® CDA® R2 Implementation Guide: Healthcare Associated Infection \(HAI\) Reports, Release 3 - US Realm, December 2020](#)

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If choosing Approach 2:

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- If choosing Approach 1:
 - Authentication, access control, and authorization (§ 170.315(d)(1)).
 - Auditable events and tamper-resistance (§ 170.315(d)(2)).
 - Audit reports (§ 170.315(d)(3)).
 - End-user device encryption (§ 170.315(d)(7)).
 - Encrypt authentication credentials (§ 170.315(d)(12)).
 - Multi-factor authentication (MFA) (§ 170.315(d)(13)).
- If choosing Approach 2:

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Testing

Testing Tool

CDA Validator

Criterion	Subparagraph	Test Data
(f)(6)		None

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This Test Procedure illustrates the test steps required to certify a Health IT Module to this criterion. Please consult the most recent [ONC Final Rule on the Certification Regulations page](#) for a detailed description of the certification criterion with which these testing steps are associated. ONC also encourages developers to consult the Certification Companion Guide in tandem with the test procedure as it provides clarifications that may be useful for product development and testing.

Note: The tests step order does not necessarily prescribe the order in which the tests should take place.

Testing components



SVAP

Paragraph (f)(6) Transmission to public health agencies – antimicrobial use and resistance reporting

System Under Test

1. The Health IT Module creates Antimicrobial use and resistance reporting information in accordance with the following sections of the standard specified at § 170.205(r)
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Test Lab Verification

1. The tester reviews the validation report and verifies that the documents generated are correct and without omission, reflecting the data entered into the Health IT Module, using value sets specified by the HL7[®] HAI Reports implementation guide.
2. The tester imports each antimicrobial use and resistance reporting document into the test tool for validation and uses the Validation Report produced by the test tool to verify the report indicates passing without error to confirm that the Antimicrobial use and resistance reporting document is conformant to the specified templates of the § 170.205(r)(1).

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Criterion Subparagraph Test Data

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Certification Companion Guide: Transmission to public health agencies — antimicrobial use and resistance reporting

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The below table outlines whether this criterion has additional Maintenance of Certification dependencies, update requirements and/or eligibility for standards updates via SVAP. Review the Certification Dependencies and Required Update Deadline drop-downs above if this table indicates "yes" for any field.

<u>Base EHR Definition</u>	<u>Real World Testing</u>	<u>Insights Condition</u>	<u>SVAP</u>	<u>Requires Updates</u>
Not Included	Yes	No	Yes	No

Certification Requirements

Technical Explanations and Clarifications

Applies to entire criterion

Technical outcome – Health IT can create an electronic antimicrobial use and resistance report for the following three sections of the HL7[®] Implementation Guide for CDA[®] Release 2 – Level 3: Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Reports, Release 1, U.S. Realm, August 2013:

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