

# Data Standards Workgroup Report



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# Recommended Data Elements

- **Person Information**
  - Guardian
  - Emergency contact
  - Crisis plan
- **Encounters**
  - Psych admission
- **Family History**
  - Marriage status
  - Children
- **Social History**
  - Court orders
- **Functional Status**
  - Housing status
  - Risk status for suicide/homicide
  - Hx of Risk Violence
  - Hx of Risk Suicide
- **Medications**
  - Specialty of prescriber
  - History of psychiatric medications
  - Medication history
- **Allergies & Alerts**
  - Note severity of reaction
- **Advance Directives**
  - Behavioral Health Advance Directive
- **Insurance Status**
- **Plan of Care**
  - Treatment plan

	Demographics	Address, Zip	DoB	Maiden Name	Language Preference	Gender	Spouse	Children	Power of Attorney	Guardianship status*	Current Primary Care Provider	Medications (who was prescriber)	Medical History	Adverse Drug Reactions	Previously prescribed/ineffective meds	Previous admissions	Emergency Contact	Current problem list	Crisis plan/Mental Health Advance Directive	Foster Children	Incarcerated**	Discharge Instructions***	Diagnosis	Misuse drug use/risk factors	Substance Abuse treatment history	Tear results (urine, etc.)	EKG	Link to lab data	Status of Release of information preferences	Framework for ongoing coordination among providers	Court orders	
1. Emergency Services	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•											
2. Hand-off between BH Provider and PCP	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
3. Coordination among BH Providers	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
4. Hand-off between psych hospital or unit and community BH Provider	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
5. Coordination of care between physical health specialist and BH provider	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

\*Including: Who is parent with guardianship (divorces scenario)

\*\*Coordination with Dept of Corrections/local jails

\*\*\*Further thinking needed—gap exists now

Is the state the guardian? (Child Protective Services)

Raises additional questions about confidentiality

Entire set of instructions or certain elements?

(Medications, plan for further treatment

developed by social workers, discharge diagnosis-baseline)

# Use Cases

**1. Emergency Services:** At 2am, an individual with a significant history of mental illness calls the local Crisis Hotline saying she is feeling suicidal. She just had a fight with her boyfriend and he has left her saying he won't be coming back. She says she is planning to take all of her medications because life just isn't worth it anymore. She reports she is taking the medications as she is talking to the hotline. She also sounds intoxicated. Later this individual is seen at the emergency room and is non responsive.

**2. Hand-off between Behavioral Health Provider and the Primary Care Provider:** An older woman who has been seen at the community mental health agency for a long standing history of schizoaffective disorder is having significant weight gain & occasional shortness of breath. The psychiatrist is managing her psychiatric medications, but wants to be sure that her underlying diabetes is managed appropriately and wants an initial evaluation by the PCP because of potential cardiac concerns.

**3. Coordination of patient treatment among BH Providers:** A man with depression has been seeing a licensed clinical social worker working independently in the community for psychotherapy. The Social worker now believes that medication might be a useful adjunct to the therapy he is providing and so would like to refer this man to the psychiatrist who works in the office down the hall. The social worker with the agreement of the client plans to continue providing psychotherapy in addition to the medication. (Notes: The question of independent practitioners' access to data via exchange needs to be addressed by larger group, as well as the individual patient's role in determining who has access to specific information via the patient portal. There was consensus that psychotherapy notes would not be included in an exchange.)

**4. Hand-off between psych hospital or inpatient psych unit and community BH Provider:** A child was hospitalized for severely self-destructive behavior. He lived several hours away from the psychiatric hospital that treated him and was discharged to a multidisciplinary treatment team at a community mental health agency near his home.

**5. Coordination of care between physical health specialist and BH Provider:** An older man with a history of paranoid schizophrenia is also HIV positive. He is not always willing to take the medications that help to regulate his symptoms. Providers are questioning his competency. Close communication between his psychiatrist and HIV specialist is critical to his continued stable physical and mental health. (Note: Overtime, nursing homes will be added to HealthInfoNet, but are not currently included.)

Note: An additional use case could be added regarding jails/prisons. Patients who are jailed sometimes do not get medications right away and wind up in ED. HealthInfoNet has had some dialog about this in the past, but not currently.

# Glossary of Terms

Julia Mason created a Glossary of Terms for our use. Here is an excerpt:

HealthInfoNet	HealthInfoNet is a Maine-based, independent, nonprofit organization using health information technology to improve and transform health care quality and safety. <a href="http://www.hinfo.net.org/">http://www.hinfo.net.org/</a>
HIE	Health Information Exchange - the secure and interoperable sharing of health information in a manner that protects the confidentiality, privacy, and security of an individual's information. <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Health_information_exchange">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Health_information_exchange</a> <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/HIT/hie.htm">http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/HIT/hie.htm</a>
HIN	HealthInfoNet
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Establishes national standards for electronic health care transactions. The great thing about HIPAA is that it reflects a move away from cumbersome paper records and an increased emphasis on the security and privacy of health data. But the magnitude of the complex changes it requires can sometimes be overwhelming for healthcare providers, compliance officers and other affected professionals. We're here to help you meet the challenge and stay current with extensive documentation, helpful resources and expert commentary. <a href="http://www.hipaa.com/">http://www.hipaa.com/</a>
HIT	Health Information Technology
HITECH	Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health
HITSC	Health Info Technology Steering Committee

