

Meeting Minutes



Pan-Canadian LOINC Document Ontology Working Group

Meeting Date: October 20, 2025

Next Meeting: is scheduled for November 3, 2025

Attendee	Organization	Voting member	Present
Dr. Ian Bekker	Vancouver Island Health	Y	Y
Dennis Lee	UVic	Y	Y
Anil Patel	CHI	Y	Y
Linda Monico	CHI		Y
Salve Achacoso	eCHN	Y	Y
Jennifer Lawson	CIHI		Y
Tetyana Maniuk	CIHI		N
Uyen Do	CIHI		Y
Alyssa Bryan	CIHI	Y	Y
Maria Fodor	ON Health	Y	Y
Hanna Pingal	ON Health		
Natalie Schweizer	Northern Health Authority		
Debbie Onos	Alberta Health	Y	Y
Heather Whitfield		Y	Y
Maximillian Besworth	Provincial Health Services Authority		Y
Daniel Simic	BC MOH		
Mukesh Kashyap	BC MOH	Y	Y

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Participant Introductions and Roles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New participants introduced themselves and their roles • Discussion on balancing "implementers", "clinicians", "inventors", and "regulators" in the group • Efforts to engage vendors like Epic and other provinces
Alignment with Infoway's Mandate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group's work aligns with Infoway's goal of accelerating the adoption of digital health standards and solutions • The group can help develop reference materials, mappings, and bilingual translations to support Infoway's terminology server • The group can influence the PCLOCD (Pan-Canadian Laboratory Observation Code Database) document ontology
PCLOCD and LOINC Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCLOCD currently has over 1,200 document ontology codes, mostly from Ontario • The group can suggest changes to the PCLOCD naming conventions and editorial guidelines • Roles and responsibilities of the lead, members, and secretariat were outlined
Terms of Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A consensus-based decision-making process with a minimum quorum requirement was proposed Second example of a bullet • Voting and non-voting member options were discussed • The group reviewed the editorial guidelines developed by Ontario and British Columbia
Editorial Guidelines Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group reviewed the editorial guidelines developed by Ontario and British Columbia.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Principles and recommendations for pan-Canadian editorial guidelines were discussed, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Using subject matter domains aligned with Canadian College of Physicians and Surgeons specialties.○ Balancing the use of international standards (e.g., LOINC) and Canadian-specific terminology.

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#	Action Items	Assigned to	Timelines
1	Prepare a decision matrix to better capture and compare the different options discussed	Linda	Before next meeting
2	Terms of Reference	Linda	For next meeting
3	Identify Voting vs. Non-voting to confirm Quorum. Please send preference of role for voting to Linda at lmonico@infoway-inforoute.ca	Working group/ Linda	
4	SMD alignment research: Compare Royal College specialties vs CIHI lists (naming, coverage; incl. nursing/allied health considerations). Confirm where terms diverge (e.g., Respiriology vs Pulmonology).	CIHI	For next meeting