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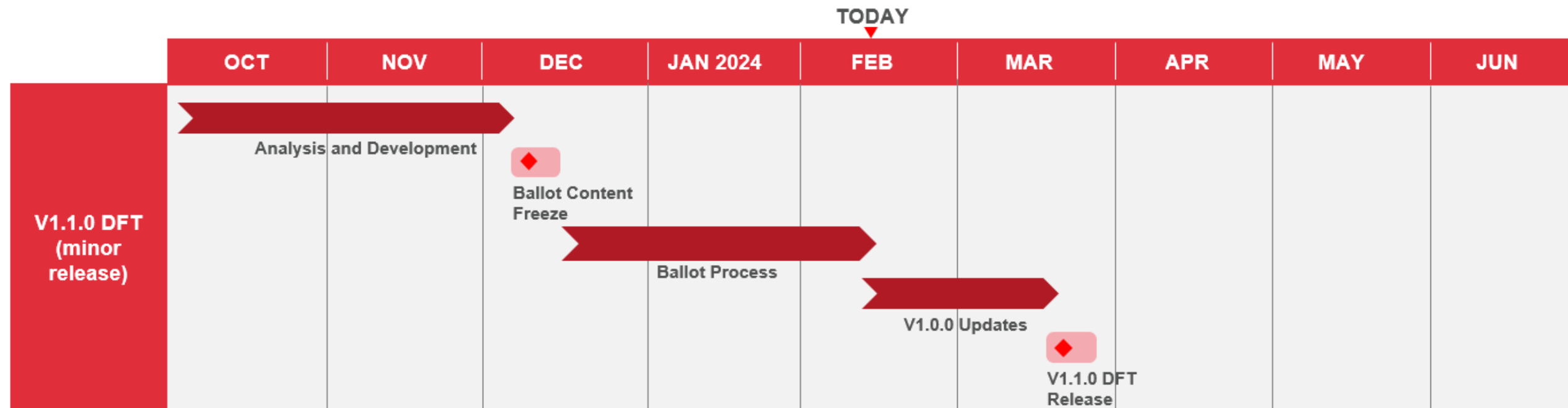
Welcome & Announcements

- **JIRA Webinar:** The JIRA webinar was held on Tuesday, February 6th. The webinar recording is available [here](#).

This session aimed to demonstrate how to navigate JIRA for tracking, submitting, and documenting feedback for the specifications.

- The **2024 IHE North America Connectathon** will host a free Connectathon Experience Day with an emphasis on support for the communities of the **International Patient Summary**. Program and registration information available [here](#).
- The **CA Core+** Ballot submission period has been extended to allow submissions until March 8th.

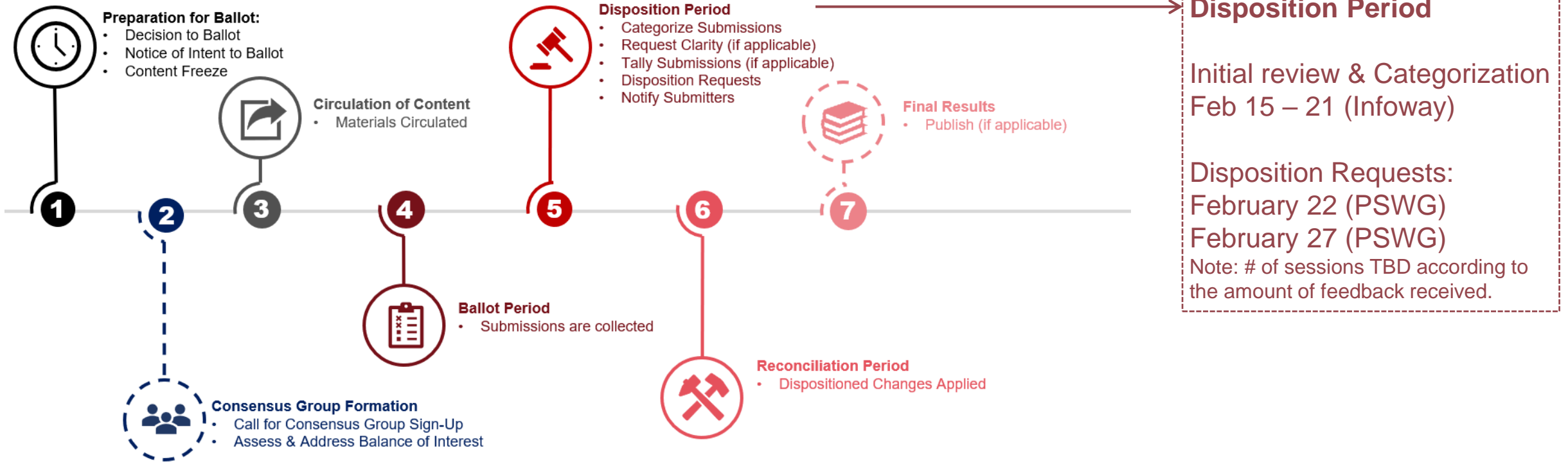
PS-CA v1.1.0 DFT



- Ballot period closes for the PS-CA v1.1.0 DFT and CA:FeX v2.0.0 DFT tomorrow, Feb 14th.
- Specifications and ballot submissions spreadsheets are available on InfoScribe here: [PS-CA](#) and [CA:FeX](#)
- On November 28, 2023 we hosted an introduction to balloting. The recording is available [here](#)

Where we are in the Ballot Process

Balloting Process: Stages



Review of Disposition Requests

What to expect:

- Infoway will review and categorize all disposition requests, preparing recommended disposition responses between February 15 -21st.
- Infoway will publish a working draft of the disposition request spreadsheet for all PSWG members in advance of the first PSWG disposition review meeting to allow you time to review the disposition requests and recommended responses.
- PSWG: Two disposition review sessions have been scheduled for the walk through of the disposition requests to make decisions on the disposition responses. Note that more or less time may be required to complete the review and decision making.

Attester: Update on Exploration of DAR

Attester Definition: A participant who has attested to the accuracy of the composition/document.

Jurisdictions considering multiple approaches to Composition.attester (currently *Must Support* in PS-CA v1.1 Ballot) driven by current workflows around creation:

- Organization vs. Practitioner vs. Not Permitted to Send

Previously discussed impact of differences and options for PS-CA v1.1 of removing the MustSupport flag on Attester vs. exploring use of a fixed value for Data Absent Reason (DAR)

DISCUSSION:

1. Vendors: Is the configuration required to "hold back" a few elements easier than providing a fixed value?
2. Implementers: Is this a reasonable approach when there are a handful of elements that are flagged as Must Support in PS-CA that aren't permitted in certain contexts?

Example Approach: Use of DAR on Attester

```
"attester": [  
  {  
    "mode": "official",  
    "party": {  
      "extension": [{  
        "url": "http://hl7.org/fhir/StructureDefinition/data-absent-reason",  
        "valueCode": "not-permitted"  
      }]  
    }  
  }  
],
```

Implementation Considerations: Additional data elements

Elements marked as *Must Support* in a profile are often selected based on their relevancy to the use case.

In PS-CA v1.1 Ballot, we have rules that a receiver SHALL NOT error or fail if they receive Must Support elements

- This does not currently apply to elements/additional data that is not marked as Must Support

FHIR Profiling Best Practices are to avoid prohibition of content, instead ignoring or stripping information that isn't needed.

However, some jurisdictions have strict privacy regulations that **limit what can be shared to the minimal necessary information to fulfill a given use case.**

Discussion:

- How should systems handle **additional** data that is submitted in the Patient Summary that is not defined as Must Support (e.g., AllergyIntolerance.category, Condition.severity, extensions)
- How does your jurisdiction, or you as a vendor, deal with this situation today (in FHIR or exchange methods)?

PSWG Next Steps

- ❑ Stakeholders: Submit ballot submission feedback for PS-CA and CA:FeX by February 14th.
- ❑ Infoway: Schedule PSWG meetings for the ballot submission preparation and content review. Meetings will be scheduled for:
 - February 22 & 27: Ballot submission content review
- ❑ Infoway: Manage ballot submissions and prepare for the Disposition phase



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Thank you!

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Helpful Links

Published specifications (available on InfoScribe):


- [PS-CA v1.1.0 DFT-Ballot](#)
- [CA:FeX v2.0.0 DFT-Ballot](#)
- [CA Core+ v0.1.0 DFT-Ballot](#)

Working Groups (hosted on InfoCentral):

- [Patient Summary](#)
- [eReferral](#)

Projectathon Information (available on InfoScribe):

- [Overview of Projectathons](#)
- [2023 Final Report](#)



Patient Summary

Work in Progress

Patient Summary – Work in Progress

- Balloting in progress for the PS-CA v1.1.0 DFT-Ballot and the supporting CA:FeX v2.0.0 DFT-Ballot and CA Core+ v0.1.0 DFT-Ballot
- Infoway is working with two jurisdictions on their Patient Summary Limited Production Rollout (LPR) implementations planned for the first quarter/into the second quarter of 2024. Activities include:
 - Developing clinical workflows with seamless integration into existing workflows, including clinician engagement
 - Developing user stories in support of EMR vendor development and Clinician/Vendor discussions
 - Developing a change management toolkit to support jurisdictional use to build awareness and buy-in for patient summary
 - Analysis and documentation of jurisdictional LPR/MVP implementations
 - Documenting EMR requirements
 - Vendor testing and conformance (Early Implementors Program)
 - Patient Summary awareness campaign (pan-Canadian education)

PSWG Membership

- **PSWG Membership** – please ensure you have signed up as a PSWG member. This will ensure you receive notifications about upcoming meetings, forum conversations and shared documents/videos.