

HALO Working Group Meeting

Meeting Summary

Meeting Information			
<u>Date and Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Note Taker</u>	<u>Next Meeting Date</u>
November 6, 2025, 1:00pm – 2:00pm ET	Virtual	Sadrina Petit, Senior Project Analyst, Digital Health Interoperability	November 20, 1:00pm- 2:00pm ET
Meeting Agenda: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Cadence for Future Working Group Meetings Overview of HALO v1.1.0 Release (including the recent patch) Redirect URL Considerations 			
Presenters			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alex Reis Director, Digital Health Interoperability, Canada Health Infoway Magdolna Holitska Senior Solutions Architect, Canada Health Infoway Daniel Berezeanu Principal, InteropIT Mark Fernandes Business Analyst, Canada Health Infoway 			
Invited Guests			
Public			

1. Welcome and Introductions

A. Reis welcomed all participants to the working group meeting and introduced Daniel Berezeanu and Mark Fernandes. Meeting materials and a recording of the session are available on the InfoCentral working group page.

2. Content Presentation

The Infoway team presented each of the agenda items as outlined above. The meeting included a brief discussion about the updated HALO release, the redirect URI proposal from Ontario, and preparations for the upcoming Projectathon.

The presentation deck is available [here](#)

The video recording is available [here](#)

3. Decisions Made

- The HALO Working Group will now meet biweekly on Thursdays at 1:00pm ET, instead of the previous Monday cadence, to avoid scheduling conflicts and align with broader project priorities. Daniel, Imanma, and Alex will serve as rotating co-chairs for the working group meetings.
- Version 1.1.0 of the HALO specification was officially released in September, incorporating urgent community feedback such as typos, minor fixes, and clarifications. A patch release (v1.1.1) followed to resolve remaining inconsistencies.
- The group agreed to defer more complex feedback themes, those requiring discussion and consensus to upcoming working group sessions.
- A proposal from Ontario to include redirect URIs in the App Catalog was introduced. The group agreed it was worth exploring further as a potential step toward automated app onboarding and dynamic client registration.
- The team confirmed that HALO will be included as a test track at the Pan-Canadian Projectathon 2026, which will take place virtually from February 23 to 26, 2026. An initial poll showed interest from participants in taking part.

4. Next Steps

- The next meeting will take place in two weeks and will focus on finalizing the discussion on Ontario's redirect URI proposal.
- The group will begin a deep dive into the App Catalog, which was identified as a key theme in the community feedback.
- Future meetings will group outstanding JIRA feedback into broader themes, such as the App Catalog, multi-patient use case, app launch process, and security.
- The team will continue outreach to jurisdictions like Ontario and BC, as well as vendors, to gauge interest in participating in Projectathon and understand any impacts to their current implementations.
- In preparation for Projectathon 2026, the group will identify which components of the HALO specification can be tested and ensure the validator and simulator tools are aligned to support early testing.
- Participants are encouraged to review the redirect URI proposal and share any feedback or concerns ahead of the next meeting.