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Dear HL7 Member,

The Structured Documents Work Group has asked me to forward you a set of recommended corrections to the currently published "**HL7 Clinical Document Architecture, Release 2.1**". The referenced standard and download package can be found on the HL7 website using the following URL:

https://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/product_brief.cfm?product_id=515

The change corrects a linkage issue between the CDA schemas included in the original publication package. As this would materially affect the usability of those files, this fix has been made to the publication package directly. The correction is outlined below:

1. The reference to "POCD_MT000040UV02.xsd" was incorrectly specified in the CDA.xsd file.

(Error in publication package)

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="POCD_MT000040UV.xsd"/>
```

```
<xs:element name="ClinicalDocument" type="POCD_MT000040UV.ClinicalDocument"/>
```

(Correction)

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="POCD_MT000040UV02.xsd"/>
```

```
<xs:element name="ClinicalDocument" type="POCD_MT000040UV02.ClinicalDocument"/>
```

2. Schema file changes were made to a couple of include statements in the "POCD....." files.

(Error in publication package)

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="../coreschemas/NarrativeBlock.xsd"/>
```

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="../coreschemas/infrastructureRoot.xsd"/>
```

(Correction)

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="coreschemas/NarrativeBlock.xsd"/>
```

```
<xs:include schemaLocation="coreschemas/infrastructureRoot.xsd"/>
```

The fix was made to both the POCD_MT000040UV02.xsd and POCD_MT000040UVLegacy.xsd files.

3. The CDA R2.1 standard now references its associated Schema via a [permalink](#) reference to GitHub, in accordance to HL7 Best practices. This change was made in Section 7 CDA XML Implementation of the CDA R2.1 specification.
4. A Readme.md file was added to the package.

Sincerely,



HL7 CTO