

# HealthCareCoding Hackathon Rules

## General Etiquette

- a. Those who do not abide by the rules may possibly be disqualified.
  - i. If you do not abide by the rules established here, you will be unable to participate in our events.
- b. Using extra time outside of the given time limit will result in point deductions.
  - i. 1-3 hours is -5 points
  - ii. 4-6 hours is -10 points
  - iii. 7-9 hours is -20 points
  - iv. 10-12 hours is a **disqualification**
- c. Respect others regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, etc.

## Eligibility


- a. Age Requirement: Participants must be within the age range of 13 to 20.
  - i. This is to ensure that there is complete fairness for our hackathons, and that there are no significant advantages given to any individuals.
- b. Select executives cannot participate: Certain executives will help with the judging process, and therefore, be unable to participate.
  - i. In order to prevent bias, select executives will be unable to participate, but will be available for assistance.

## Team Formation

- a. **2-4** participants are allowed in each team: Teams that are not within the participant limit (and did not speak to administration) will be immediately disqualified
  - i. Having one more team member can make a HUGE difference, so there will be no teams greater than 4.
- b. Teams cannot be changed after \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, as they will be finalized.
- c. You cannot be part of more than one team.

## Project Development

- a. Resources: AI, and technical resources must be easily and openly accessible and not to require special licensing, or be exclusive to said team. Open source codes ARE permitted.
- b. Previous work: No work can be done previous to the actual time of the event and will result in immediate disqualification.

1. oHaving code for a project beforehand is a major benefit and can also be considered as cheating.
- c. Creativity: You have full reign over how you choose to present your submission. You can use websites, programs, video games. Any form of submission that is DIGITAL is accepted.
- d. Each team is only allowed to submit one entry for the hackathon.
- e. Participants are not allowed to work on the actual project with more than one team at the event.
  - i. However, sportsmanship is encouraged, and giving tips and advice is appreciated.
- f. Any programming language, software development tools, IDE and engines can be used.
- g. It is prohibited to code applications that violate the code of conduct. You will be automatically disqualified if found guilty.
  - i.  Code Of Conduct

## Project Submission

- a. Time limit: Projects must be submitted within the established time limit (~48 hours). Projects submitted after the said time limit will face penalties resulting in losing points. Projects submitted over 10 hours of the time limit will not be accepted.
  - i. As stated before
  - ii. 1-3 hours is -5 points
  - iii. 4-6 hours is -10 points
  - iv. 7-9 hours is -20 points
  - v. 10+ hours will not be accepted
- b. All projects will be reviewed by selected executives, and will be judged in a random order.
- c. Only one submission will be permitted per team.
- d. Your submission must follow the details on the template provided [here](#) (note that you don't have to present it using the template, it just shows what you need and some writing prompts).

## Originality

- a. Plagiarism: Ideas must be originally developed within the competition, which forbids previous codes that were made from someone else, or themselves used within their solutions. Results of plagiarism will result in disqualification.
  - i. Use of AI
  - ii. Copy & Pasting **specific work**
    1. There are some aspects of code you are allowed to copy & paste in small snippets, but if you are curious about the restrictions about this, ask us by email [@hccodingofficial@gmail.com](mailto:hccodingofficial@gmail.com) or on Instagram [@hccodingofficial](https://www.instagram.com/hccodingofficial).

- iii. Claiming others' work as your own
- b. External Help: External help is prohibited. Only the participants in the team are allowed to participate and help within the project.
  - i. This means that no external source is able to work on the project alongside the team.
- c. Pre-Existing Code: No pre-existing code, **even if it is your own**, can be used if it was created before the start of the hackathon.

## Attendee Code of Conduct

The attendee Code of Conduct can be found [here](#).

## Ethical Ways

- a. All codes and solutions must not contain harmful and/or offensive content, as the competition promotes responsible and respectful solutions and innovations. Solutions also forbid invasions of privacy, un-inclusivity, and anything that may make other attendees feel unsafe. Any team who has broken the ethical code may be disqualified and asked to leave the competition.