

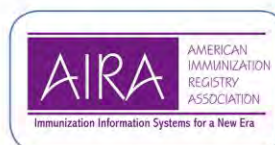
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1. Introduction

Immunization Information Systems (IIS) are centralized population based repositories of immunization related information. They receive and share data on individual clients/patients¹ with a number of other systems, including Electronic Health Record systems (EHR-S). Health Level Seven (HL7) is a nationally recognized standard for electronic data exchange between systems housing health care data. The HL7 standard is a key factor that supports this two-way exchange of information because it defines a syntax or grammar for formulating the messages that carry this information. It further describes a standard vocabulary that is used in these messages. It does not depend on specific software, that is, it is platform independent.

This document represents the collaborative effort of the American Immunization Registry Association (AIRA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to improve inter-system communication of immunization records. The effort has received input from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to improve the capacity to test conformance with this Implementation Guide. In addition, this Guide addresses a need to specify usage requirements for data elements that are not included in the standard HL7 usage designations. This implementation guide replaces the *Implementation Guide for Immunization Data Transaction Using Version 2.3.1 of the HL7 Standard Protocol*, and previous versions of this Guide. It is based on HL7 Version 2.5.1, as published by the HL7 organization (www.hl7.org). In addition, it pre-adopts a number of features of HL7 Version 2.7.1, such as data types and usage.

As HL7 has developed and published new versions of the standard, it has sought to maximize the ability of implementations, based on newer versions to be able to accept messages from earlier versions. Based on this, we anticipate that faithful implementations of this Guide will be able to accept most immunization messages based on the 2.3.1 Guide. Note that variations in current 2.3.1 interfaces increase the risk that faithful 2.5.1 implementations will encounter problems with 2.3.1 messages.

Implementations that are supporting Version 2.3.1 messages should continue to follow the specifications of 2.3.1 messages described in the Implementation Guide Version 2.2, June 2006.

Intended Audience

This Guide has two audiences. The first is the system managers that must understand this process at a high level. The second is the technical group from IIS and EHR-S that must implement these guidelines. For them we strive for an unambiguous specification

¹ Note that client, patient and recipient are terms which we interchangeably in this document.

for creating and interpreting messages. Our goal is for this Guide to be a bridge between the two.

It is important to note that HL7 specifies the interface between 2 systems. It does not specify how any given system is implemented to accomplish the goals of messaging.

Scope

This Guide is intended to facilitate the exchange of immunization records between different systems². This includes

- sending and receiving immunization histories for individuals
- sending and receiving demographic information about the individuals
- requesting immunization histories for individuals
- responding to requests for immunization histories by returning immunization histories
- acknowledging receipt of immunization histories and requests for immunization histories
- reporting errors in the messaging process
- sending observations about an immunization event (this may include patient eligibility for a funding program, reactions, forecasts and evaluations).

The Guide is not intended to specify other issues such as

- business rules, which are not implicit in HL7, applied when creating a message
- business rules, which are not implicit in HL7, applied when processing a received message
- a standard transport layer
- search process used when responding to a query
- business rules used to deduplicate clients or events
- management of vaccine inventory
- maintenance of Master Person Index.³

Local implementations are responsible for the important issues described above. One way to insure success is to publish a local profile or implementation guide that outlines the local business rules and processes. These guides may further constrain this Guide, but may not contradict it. This Guide will identify some of the key issues that should be addressed in local profiles.

² The exchange partners could be IIS, EHR-S, or other health data systems.

³ Note that requesting an immunization history may require interaction with an MPI or other identity source. Those using these services should consult with profiles or implementation guides that support this. Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE) has profiles that support MPI maintenance and identity resolution.

This Guide makes the following assumptions:

- Infrastructure is in place to allow accurate and secure information exchange between information systems.⁴
- Providers access immunization information through either an EHR-S or immunization information system (IIS).
- Privacy and security has been implemented at an appropriate level.
- Legal and governance issues regarding data access authorizations, data ownership and data use are outside the scope of this document.
- The immunization record and demographic record for each patient contains sufficient information for the sending system to construct the immunization and demographic message properly.
- External business rules are assumed to be documented locally.

It is important to be able to accept complete immunization histories from different sources and have a method for integrating them. This implies that a system should not assume that any record sent is “new”. If the system makes this assumption and receives a complete history that has overlapping immunization records, there is a risk for duplicate records.

There is “best practice” guidance on handling this from the American Immunization Registry Association (AIRA) in the Modeling Immunization Registry Operations Workgroup (MIROW) documents available the AIRA website. (immregistries.org)

Organization and Flow

The first two chapters are meant to lay out what can be done and why. The chapters that follow them describe and specify how. They start at the most granular level and proceed to the message level. Several appendices support implementers with value sets and examples of use.

Boxed notes are used to call attention to areas where there are changes from the version 2.3.1 Implementation Guide or areas where readers should pay special attention.

Chapter 1-Introduction

This chapter describes the scope of the Guide and gives supporting background.

⁴ This infrastructure is not specified in this document, but is a critical element to successful messaging. Trading partners must select a methodology and should specify how it is used.

Chapter 2-Actors, Goals and Messaging Transactions

Chapter 2 describes the business motivations that this Guide will support. It will describe the entities (actors) that will rely on the messages. It will lay out the transactions that will support the goals of these actors (use cases). Finally, it will describe the broader context that this messaging occurs in. There are supporting business processes outside of the actual messaging that are keys to success.

Chapter 3-Messaging infrastructure

Chapter 3 focuses on the underlying rules and concepts that are the basis for HL7 messaging. It will illustrate the components of messages, the grammatical rules for specifying the components and subcomponents.

Chapter 4_Data-type Definitions

This chapter will describe and specify all data types anticipated for use by the messages supported by this Guide. Where there are subcomponents to a data type, it will specify any rules related to use. The values used in messages are specified in appendix A. Data types are the building block for segments, described in the next chapter.

Chapter 5-Message Segments

Chapter 5 gives specifications for message segments. Segments are units of the message that carry specific types of information. For instance PID carries patient identifying information. The segments included in this chapter are those that are needed by the messages specified in Chapter 6.

Chapter 6- Message Details for Immunization

Chapter 6 specifies how to use the building blocks of data types and segments to meet the business needs to convey immunization records. It will include specification for requesting an immunization history and acknowledging message receipt or errors.

Chapter 7- Query Profile for Requesting an Immunization History

HL7 has a template for specifying a query. This chapter uses that template to give the specifications for a query requesting an Immunization History. It is built on the previous 4 chapters. Two child profiles, which support response to the query, are also found in this chapter.

Appendix A-Code Tables

This appendix lists expected values for all coded data elements used in this Guide.

Appendix B- Message examples

This appendix will show detailed examples of how to implement the messages specified in the body of the Implementation Guide.

Note that the focus of this guide is on the format and grammar of the messages between systems. The activities shown within a system are intended to put the message in context and to highlight the local responsibilities for successful messaging.

2. Actors, Goals, and Messaging Transactions

This chapter will describe the actors (entities) that may be involved in sending or receiving immunization-related messages. It will list and describe the use cases (goals) that they have that can be met by the messages. It will illustrate the messaging interface in context. Finally, it will associate specific HL7 messages with these goals.

Note that there are a number of supporting processes that are not included within the messaging specifications. They are vital to success, but do not belong in this Implementation Guide, but rather in local business rules documentation.

Actors and Goals

There are a number of primary actors involved in data exchange. These include

- Immunization Information System (IIS)
- Electronic Health Record Systems (EHR-S) and other systems⁵
- An actor with a supporting role may be a Master Person Index (MPI)⁶.

We will focus on the first 2 actors but will illustrate how the MPI actor may be integrated. These actors can be suppliers of information/data and consumers/requesters of data. We will consider the initiator of a messaging conversation the sender and the target of this first message the receiver. Obviously, a sender may receive messages. For instance, a sender initiates a request for an immunization history for a client. The receiver responds with a message that is received by the initiating sender. For clarity, the initiator will keep the label of sender.

Note that we do not assume that the sender or receiver is a specific data source (IIS or EHR). One IIS may query another IIS or an EHR-S. Similarly, an EHR-S may send an immunization history to another EHR-S.

Other actors have an interest in the functions of an IIS and messaging. These include:

- Clients/patients
- Users
- Policy makers
- Researchers
- Public Health agencies

⁵ The diagrams often show an IIS and an EHRs/other system. The other system may be an IIS.

⁶ A Master Person Index is used by some health data systems to cross-reference a person's identifiers across these systems. If system A needs the person's id from system B, then it may retrieve it from the MPI. The PIX query asks for one system's personal identifier, based on another system's identifier.

- Clinicians
- Billing systems

These actors will not be directly addressed in this Guide. They interact with the primary actors to accomplish their needs.

Table 2-1 Actors and Goals for Messaging

Actor	Responsibility	Messaging Goals
Immunization Information System (IIS)	Provide access to a complete, consolidated immunization record for each person in its catchment area	Receive immunization histories and updates
		Receive demographic updates
	Supply individual immunization records to authorized users and systems	Receive requests for individual records
		Receive observations about a person
	Support aggregate reporting and analysis	Send observations about a person
		Send immunization records to other systems
	Evaluate immunization history and make recommendations for next doses	Send demographic data
		Request immunization record
	Store medical conditions that affect what vaccines are recommended	Request person id
		Acknowledge receipt of message
		Report processing errors from receipt of message

Actor	Responsibility	Messaging Goals
Electronic Health Record system (EHR-S)	<p>House a person's electronic health record</p> <p>Make a person's record available to authorized persons</p> <p>Provide decision support for clinical decisions.</p>	<p>Receive immunization histories and updates</p> <p>Receive demographic updates</p> <p>Receive requests for individual records</p> <p>Send immunization records to IIS</p> <p>Send demographic data</p> <p>Receive observations about a person</p> <p>Send observations about a person</p> <p>Request Immunization record</p> <p>Request person id</p> <p>Acknowledge receipt of message</p> <p>Report processing errors from receipt of message</p> <p>Request evaluation on an immunization history and recommendations for next dose on a given Schedule, such as ACIP</p>

Actor	Responsibility	Messaging Goals
Master Person Index or other identity broker.	Maintain a list of patients and identifiers for a set of persons Supply identifiers for other system's use Be a central demographic supplier for participating systems Provide cross-reference for identifiers for participating systems.	Send id for an individual for use in a record request or record update Receive request for person id. Return complete demographic data for an individual from central demographic store

The table lists a number of messaging needs that relate to IIS and their trading partners. These are all candidates for HL7 messaging. Some are not currently implemented, but give us the landscape that should be considered. Note that the messaging for maintaining of an MPI is out of scope for this Implementation Guide.

Another way to organize these tasks or goals is to decompose the goals of the entities (actors) into the various roles they may play. These roles include:

- Immunization history supplier
- Immunization history consumer
- Demographic information supplier
- Demographic information consumer
- Identity resolution broker

Each of the actors above may have the capacity and interest to support some constellation of these roles. This approach is useful for system design and implementation and encourages a services approach to development. Since the goal of this chapter is to provide a non-technical view to help system managers understand how messaging can meet their needs, we will focus on the business entities and their goals.

High-Level View of Use Cases

We can map these actors and messaging goals to use cases. The following diagram maps the messaging goals of the various players to use cases. These use cases will be defined below. Note that some of these use cases are logically related. For instance, *Request Immunization History* is paired with *Return Immunization History*. *Send Immunization History* needs the receiver to *Receive Immunization History*. These use cases are not intended to be the basis of a software design process.

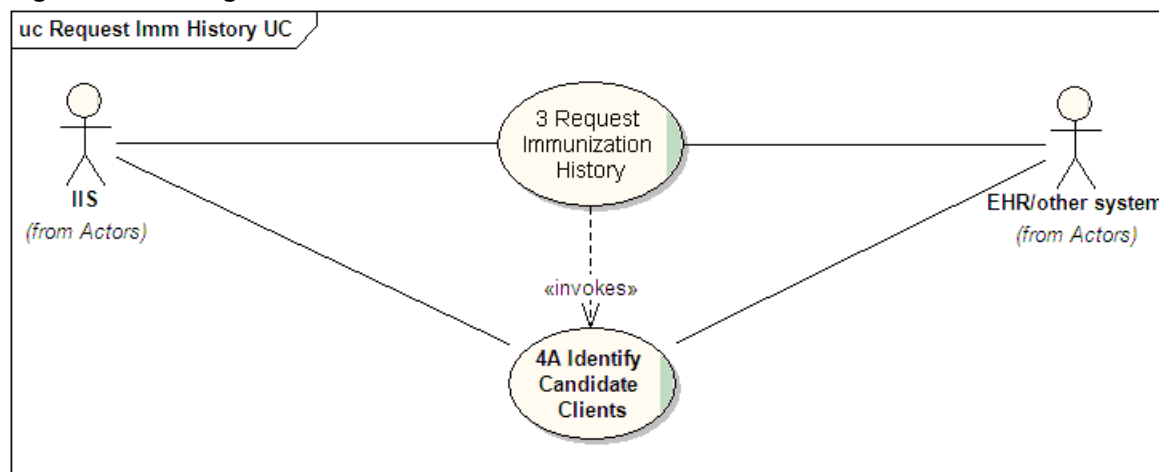
Several paths may accomplish the request for immunization history. Systems will return an immunization history when they are confident that the person requested has been identified. One path separates identity resolution from the request for immunization history. Another includes implicit identity resolution. For details, see use case 3, 4A and 4 below.

Figure 2-1 Use Case Diagram



The following diagram illustrates a more detailed view of the request immunization history and return immunization history. It breaks the *Find Candidate Clients* use case out. Note that a system may request identity resolution (find client) prior to requesting an immunization history. Alternatively, a system may request an immunization history. This can trigger an implicit request to find a client.

Figure 2-2 Finding a Client



The following lists the HL7 Messages shown below in the Use Cases:

- ACK-Acknowledgement message
- ADT-Admit, Discharge and Transfer message
- QBP-Query by parameter
- RSP-Respond to QBP
- VXU-Unsolicited vaccine history

The following are profiled queries supported by IHE for identity resolution:

- PDQ-A specific type of QBP that facilitates identify resolution based on demographic information
- PIX- A specific type of QBP that accomplishes id cross reference

Use Case Descriptions

Use Case 1—Send Immunization History

Goal: To send an immunization history for an individual client from one system to another. In addition to EHR-S and IIS, other systems such as vital records systems or billing systems could use this message to send immunization histories.

HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type: VXU

Precondition: A user or other actor requests that the sending system send an immunization history.

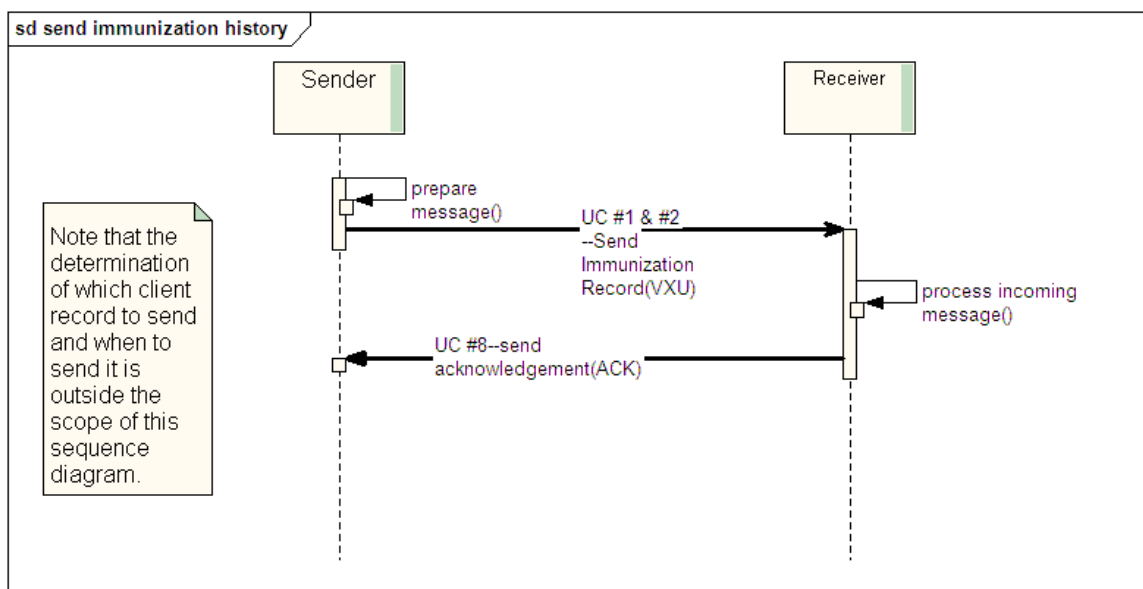


Figure 2-3-Use Cases 1 and 2: Send and Receive Immunization History

This sequence diagram illustrates the message flow. The sender sends an immunization record (Use Case 1). The receiver accepts the message (Use Case 2) and processes it. The receiver may send an acknowledgment message. (See Use Case 9) The transactions that are of interest are indicated by bold arrows.

Use Case 2—Receive Immunization History

Goal: To receive an unsolicited immunization history. It may be an update or a new record. This use case does not have responsibility for the processing of the message. The receiving system may review and accept the immunization history if it chooses, but this is outside the scope of this use case.

HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type: VXU

Precondition: A VXU is received by the receiving system.

Use Case 3—Request Immunization History

Goal: To request an immunization history from another system.

Precondition: A user or other actor requests that the sending system send a request for an immunization history using demographic information and/or other identifiers.

The old VXQ query included implicit identity resolution. If a high confidence candidate was identified, based on demographics and other identifiers, an immunization history was returned in a VXR. If lower confidence candidates were found, a list of candidates was returned for further selection in a VXX. The selection from the VXX informed the re-query with a new VXQ. The approach outlined in this Guide allows this process to be followed using different messages.

Another approach that is common in the informatics world is to separate the identity resolution from the request for content (immunization history in this case). Here the requester sends a query seeking a candidate, based on demographics and other identifiers. The requester selects from the candidates returned and then sends the request for content based on that selection. The identity may be sought from a separate Master Person Index or from the content provider. One industry standard, which supports this approach, is the PDQ query profile by Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE). The approach outlined in this Guide allows this process to be followed.

A third situation occurs when the requester already knows an identifier meaningful to the responding system. This may occur when the sending system has already sent a record for the person of interest that includes the sender's identifier. Alternatively, it may occur if the requester knows the unique identifier used by the responding system. The approach outlined in this Guide allows this process to be followed.

Since identity resolution is required either implicitly or explicitly, a use case is described for finding a client/candidate (Use Case 4A). That use case contains the alternate flows for the different paths.

Note that more detailed information about the flow of events and options is available in Appendix B.

HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type: QBP using Request Immunization History query profile.

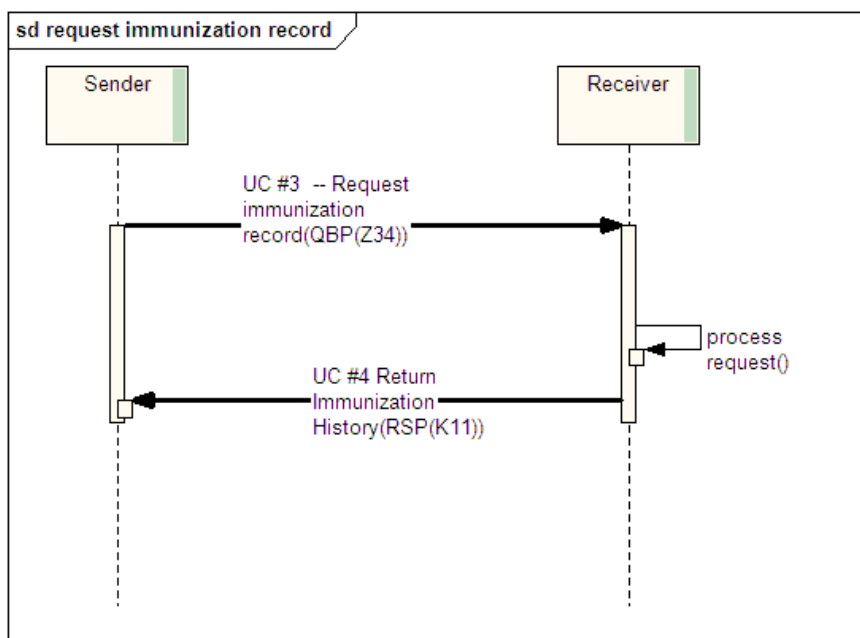


Figure 2-4—Use Cases 3, 4 and 5: Request Immunization History, Respond to Request and Accept Requested History

Note that the sending system process may include confirming that the record returned is the one being sought. This process is not specified here.

Use Case 4—Return Immunization History

Goal: To return an immunization history. It does not include the processes used to find candidate clients for return.

There are 4 possible results:

1. One client matches exactly⁷ the criteria sent
2. One or more clients match the criteria sent (inexact match)⁸
3. No clients match the criteria sent
4. There were errors or other problems

Note that systems must deal with the situation where a Client has indicated that his/her records must be protected. (Only the owning provider may view) This should be clearly documented.

See Figure 2-6.

⁷ The definition of “exact” is a local business rule and should be documented locally.

⁸ If more than one client has a high-confidence match with the query parameters, this is an inexact match.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type: RSP

Precondition: A receiving system receives a request for an immunization history.

HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type:

QBP using Request Immunization History query profile

Use Case 4A—Find Candidate Clients

Goal: To find one or more candidate clients from another system and select one to be used when requesting an immunization history.

Precondition:

There are two potential preconditions.

1. A user or other actor requests that the sending system send a request for one or more candidate clients using demographic information and/or other identifiers. (This is well specified in the IHE PDQ profile)
2. A receiving system receives a request for immunization history using a request for immunization history query.

If exactly one high confidence match is found then an immunization history is returned. If this query does not find one high confidence candidate, but rather finds one or more lower confidence candidates then a list of candidates are returned. If more than one high confident match is found, then this is treated as a lower confidence match.

Note that the diagrams below are intended to put the messages in context and do not accurately reflect the architecture that would support the activities.

Request Identity Resolution Prior to Requesting an Immunization History

The following diagram illustrates the process and messages where a system uses a PDQ query to request identifiers and demographics for a client. The result of this process is then used to populate a Request for Immunization History query. Messages have bolded arrows. Other processes are not bolded. It should be noted that the immunization history supplier may also act as the id supplier, but this is not required. This particular Use Case focuses on the interactions between the requester and the id supplier. The other transactions illustrate how this fits into the rest of the process. We assume that the identifier used in the QBP^Q11 is unique within the immunization history supplier.

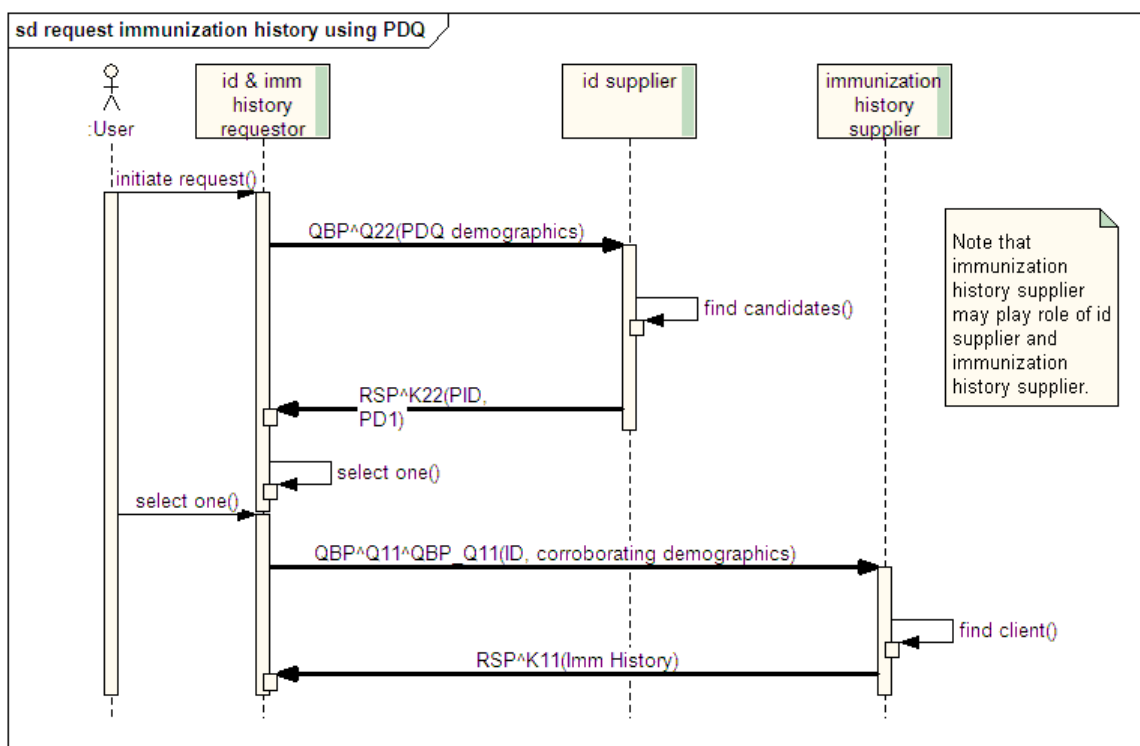


Figure 2-5--Using PDQ to Resolve Identity Prior to Request for Immunization History

Requesting an Immunization History Using Implicit Identity Resolution

The following 2 diagrams illustrate how a system, which uses a Request for Immunization History, relies on implicit identity resolution.

The first drawing illustrates the case when one high confidence candidate is found. The outcome of the find client process is a call for the system to send the immunization history back to the requesting system. Messages are bolded.

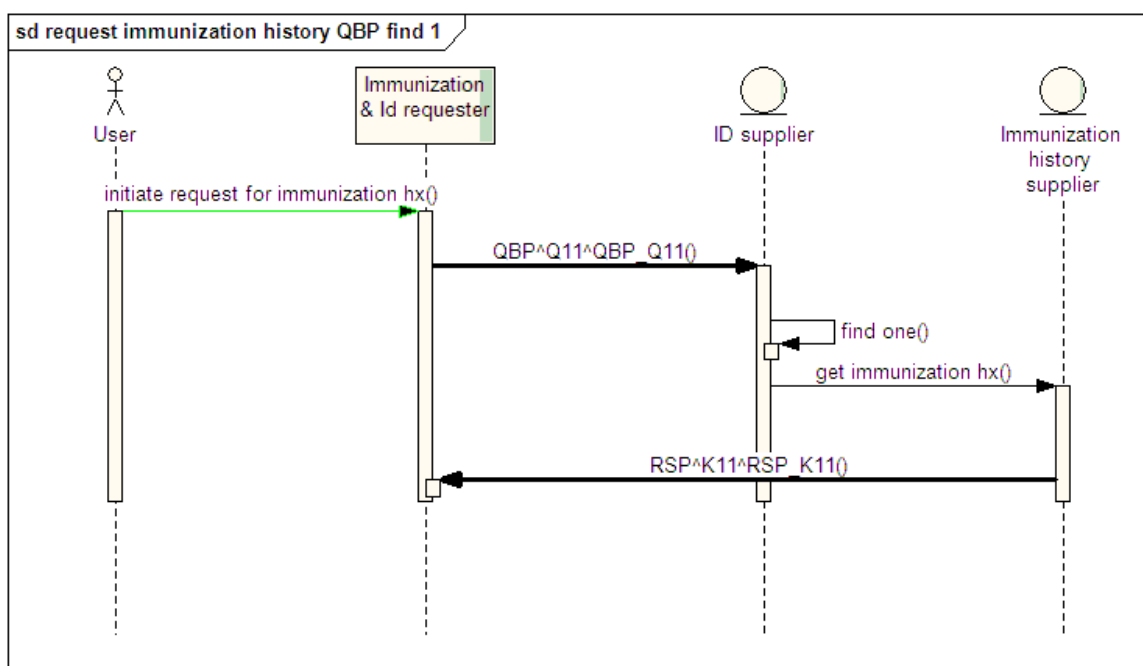


Figure 2-6--Implicit Identity Resolution in Response to a Request for Immunization History When One High-confidence Match Is Found

When the find client process finds lower confidence candidates, then the system returns a list of candidate clients. The user reviews these and selects the one of interest. The selection is used to populate a second Request for Immunization History query. The identity resolution process points to the correct client and an immunization history is returned. The user may choose to refine the search criteria and submit a new query, if he/she believes that a match should have been found.

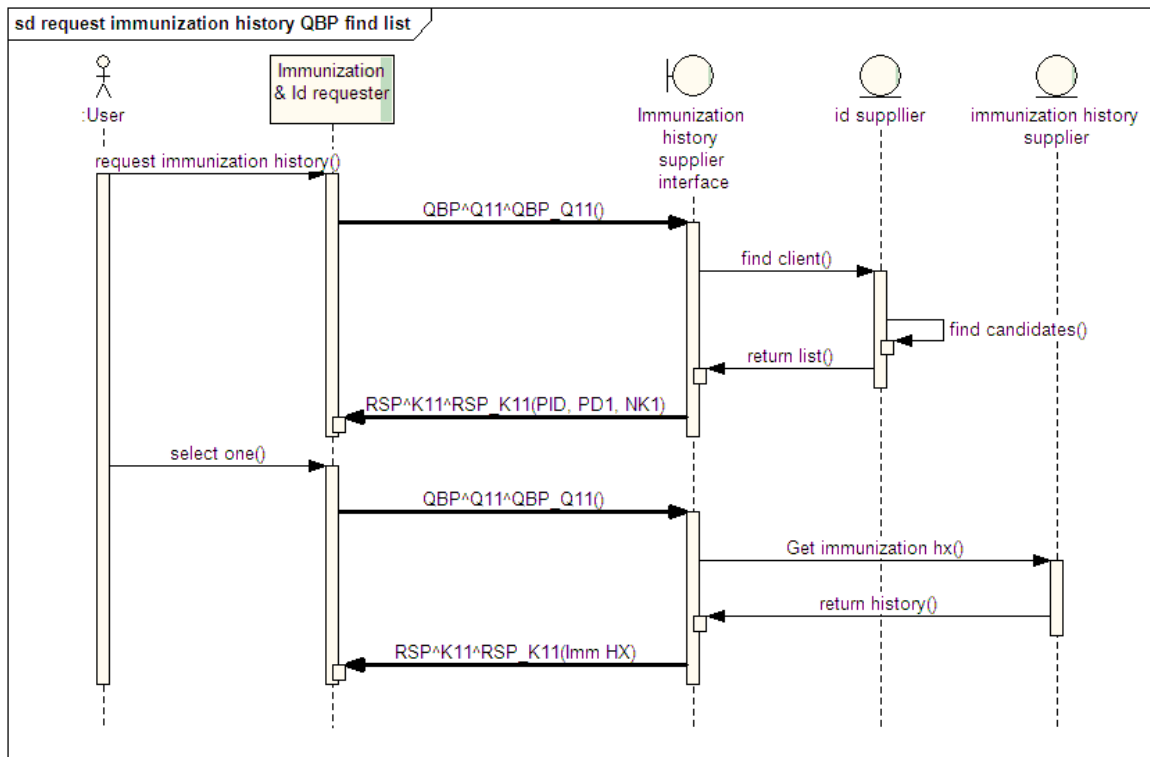


Figure 2-7--Implicit Identity Resolution in Response to a Request for Immunization History When Lower Confidence Candidates Are Found

HL7 version 2.5.1 Message Type:

QBP using Request Immunization History query profile

Or

QBP using PDQ (IHE)

Use Case 5--Accept requested history:

Scope:

The goal of this use case is to accept an immunization history in response to a query for an immunization history from another system.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5 Message Type: RSP

Preconditions: A sending system receives a requested immunization history.

Sequence Diagram:

See sequence diagrams for use case 3 above.

Use Case 6—Send Demographic Data

Goal: To send demographic data about a person. It may be an update or a new record. This use case does not have responsibility for the processing of the message. The message will include an indication of the expected/requested acknowledgement.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5 Message Type:

The standard messages that may be used for carrying demographic data are VXU and ADT.

Precondition: A user or other actor requests that the sending system send demographic data.

Sequence Diagram:

See Figure 2.7.

Use Case 7—Accept Demographic Data

Goal: To accept demographic data about a person. It may be an update or a new record. This use case does not have responsibility for the processing of the message. The message will include an indication of the expected/requested acknowledgement.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5 Message Type:

The standard messages that may be used for carrying demographic data are VXU, ADT.

Precondition: The receiving system receives demographic data.

Sequence Diagram:

See Figure 2-7.

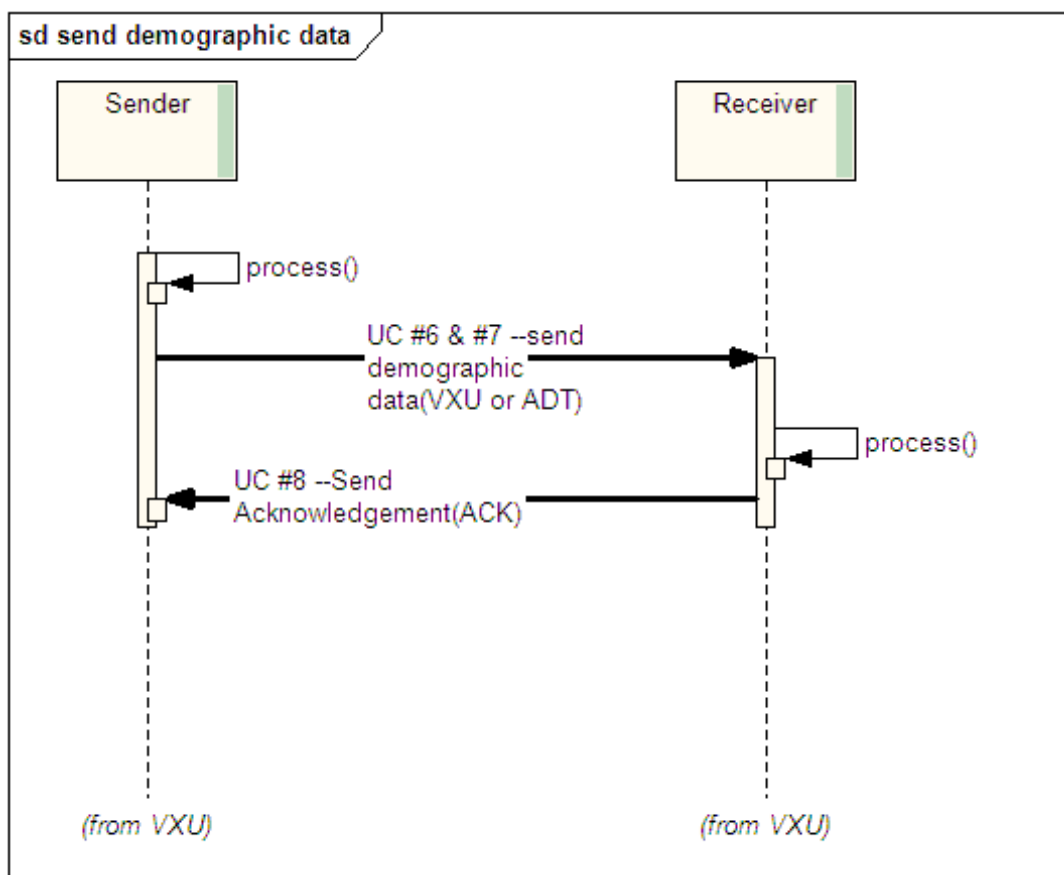


Figure 2-8--Send Demographic Data Via VXU or ADT

Use Case 8--Acknowledge Receipt

Scope:

The goal of this use case is to acknowledge receipt of a message. This can be an immunization history, request for immunization history, demographic update, observation report or request for personal id. It may indicate success or failure. It may include error messages. One example occurs when a query is well-formed, but finds no candidates. In this case the acknowledgement reports this fact.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5 Message Type: ACK, RSP

Precondition: A system has processed a message and determined the success of receipt.

Sequence Diagram:

See sequence diagrams for use cases above.

Use Case 9—Report Error

Scope:

The goal of this use case is to send error messages related to messages. These errors could result of rejection of message or parts of message.

Standard Reference HL7 version 2.5 Message Type: ACK, RSP

Precondition: A system has processed a message and found errors.

Sequence Diagram:

See sequence diagrams for use cases above.

Messaging in the Context of the Business Process

While this document focuses on the format and content of messages from one system to another, it is useful to understand where this fits into the bigger picture of interoperable communication.

The following diagram illustrates the most common message exchange in the IIS context, the VXU (unsolicited immunization record). When the sending system wishes to send a VXU to a receiving system, it must do several steps in preparation:

- Create message⁹
 - Assemble data on person of interest
 - Build the VXU message with this data
- Send the message
 - Connect to the receiving system. The partners must agree on how this is done.
 - The sending system now sends the message over the connection and the receiving system catches the message.

The receiver accomplishes the following steps:

- Process the received message
 - Determine that the message is in the appropriate format.
 - Parse the message into a format that it uses.
 - Evaluate the message components to determine that these are correctly formatted and specified.

⁹ Identifying which client's record to send is an important consideration, but outside the scope of this document.

- Send an acknowledgement to the sender, indicating the message has been successfully processed.
- Integrate the received record into the existing data base.¹⁰
 - Deduplicate on client to be sure that each client only has one record.
 - Deduplicate the events (immunizations, for instance).
 - Insert or update data.

Obviously, the interaction may be more complex than this¹¹. The connection may be rejected or fail. The message may be poorly formed or may not contain required information. Part of the message may contain errors, but these errors are not sufficient to reject the entire message.

The business rules for both the sender and the receiver should be clearly specified so that each side understands how the message will be handled.

When illustrating the processes involved in each message below, we will not elaborate on the processes that occur outside the actual message exchange.

¹⁰ Local business rules determine how this occurs and should be documented clearly.

¹¹ See Appendix B for illustrations of the processing rules expected when handling HL7 messages.

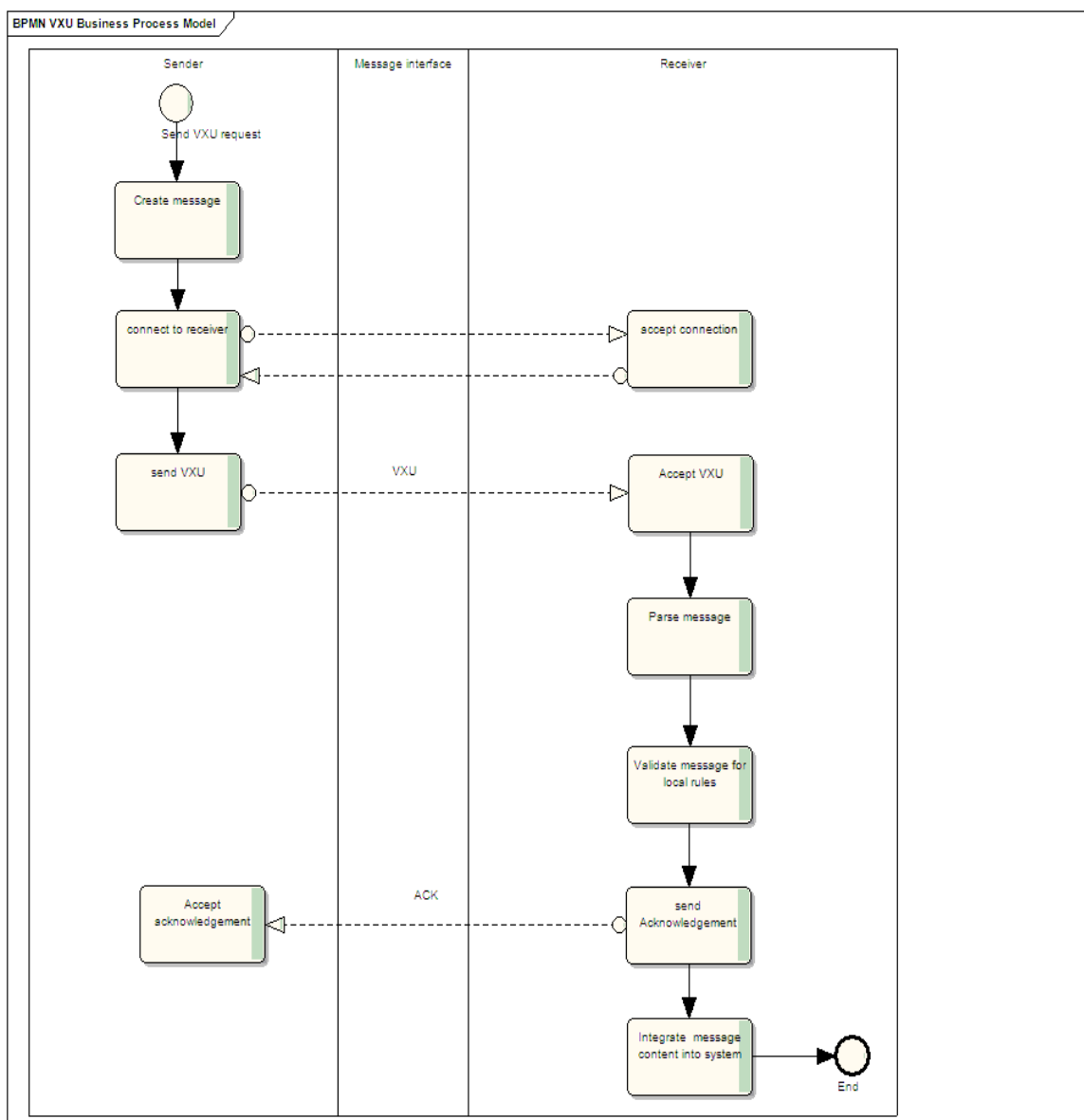


Figure 2-9--VXU Process Model

Note: It is vital that each implementation clearly document the business rules and special handling in a local Implementation Guide or Profile. Local implementers may place further constraints on the specifications found in this Guide. Optional fields or required fields that are allowed to be empty in this Guide may be made required. Repeating fields may be constrained to fewer repetitions.

Appendix B gives detailed example messages and has illustration of the business processes surrounding other message transactions.

Core Data Elements of an Immunization History

Systems that support immunization information have a number of important responsibilities including:

- Consolidation of Immunization records from various sources
- Supplying consolidated immunization history to users
- Forecasting next doses due
- Evaluating vaccine doses administered
- Supporting inventory management
- Supporting reports on vaccine usage by eligibility for funding programs
- Assessing coverage rates in a population
- Protecting the privacy of immunization data
- Supporting generation and sending of reminder notices
- Supporting tracking doses administered by lot so that recipients may be notified in the case where the lot is recalled

Each of these requires specific data. The National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) has identified a core set of data elements to support these responsibilities. These core data elements have been used to determine the usage in this guide. It is expected that systems that are using this Implementation Guide will be able to support these data elements and include them in a message. See Core Data Elements in Appendix B.

These core data elements will also be included in conformance statements. This may be at the HL7 message component level or a data concept level.¹² It is important that these data elements are supported by both sender and receiver.

Key Technical Decisions

One of the primary features of this implementation guide is its focus on key points of broad interoperability.

Pre-Adoption Of Some Features Of HL7 Version 2.7.1

This implementation Guide pre-adopts some features of HL7 Version 2.7.1 to support improved consistency in implementation with the goal of improving interoperability.

Use Of Vocabulary Standards

This guide calls for specific vocabulary standards for the exchange of immunization information such as LOINC and SNOMED. Standard vocabularies enable automated decision support for patient healthcare, as well as for public health surveillance of populations. Terminology is updated periodically and it is best practice to use the most current version of the coding system.

¹² For instance, the vaccine administered is specified as a required element of the RXA segment by indicating a Usage of Required on the RXA-5 field. The funding program eligibility is specified as conditionally required in a conformance statement not tied to a specific HL7 message component.

Snapshot Mode

Immunization history messages should be sent in snapshot mode, meaning that all information related to the smallest individually identifiable unit are complete. That is, the complete immunization history known to the sender should be sent each time the immunization history is messaged. Because consolidated immunization histories may come from more than one source and each source may have incomplete information, the receiving system will need to have process for integrating snapshots from different sources.

Field Length And Truncation

This guide pre-adopts field length definition conventions and the stated lengths from HL7 Version 2.7.1, Chapter 2 Control; it also provides further constraints to support the use case and scope defined in this guide.

The Conformance Length parameter (Version 2.7.1, Chapter 2 Control, Section 2.5.5.3, Conformance Length) has also been adopted in this guide and is defined in this excerpt from the base standard:

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If populated, the conformance length column specifies the minimum length that applications must be able to store. Conformant applications **SHALL** not truncate a value that is shorter than the length specified.

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Conventions

This guide adheres to the following conventions:

- The guide is constructed assuming the implementer has access to the Version 2.5.1 of the HL7 Standard. Although some information from the standard is included in this implementation guide, much information from the standard has not been repeated here.
- The rules outlined in *HL7 2.7.1, Chapter 2B, Section 2B5, Conformance Using Message Profiles*, were used to document the use case for, and constraints applied to, the messages described in this guide.
- Data types have been described separately from the fields that use the data types.
- No conformance information is provided for optional message elements. This includes length, usage, cardinality, value sets and descriptive information. Implementers who want to use optional message elements should refer to the base HL7 V2.5.1 Standard to determine how these optional message elements will be used.
- This guide uses “X” as a conformance usage indicator very sparingly. Where the underlying standard indicates the segments/field/component is present for

backwards compatibility (“B”) or withdrawn (“W”) an “X” will be used. Some conditional elements may have a usage of “X” if the predicate condition is the only case where the element is used. For all other fields/components “O” is used to enable trading partners to explore additional capabilities. Note that without a clearly agreed to complementary profile between trading partners, a sender does not have to send any elements marked as an “O”, nor does a receiver have to process any elements marked as an “O”.

3. HL7 Messaging Infrastructure

This section will contain a basic description of the terms and definitions, which are used in this document in order to understand the Health Level 7 standard as it applies to immunization information systems. More detail may be found in the HL7 2.5.1 standard in Chapters 1, 2 and 2A.

Keywords

The following keywords in this document are to be interpreted as follows:

MUST or the terms "REQUIRED" or "SHALL", mean that the definition is an absolute requirement of the specification.

MUST NOT or the phrase "SHALL NOT", mean that the definition is an absolute prohibition of the specification.

SHOULD or the adjective "RECOMMENDED", mean that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances to ignore a particular item, but the full implications must be understood and carefully weighed before choosing a different course.

SHOULD NOT or the phrase "NOT RECOMMENDED" mean that there may exist valid reasons in particular circumstances when the particular behavior is acceptable or even useful, but the full implications should be understood and the case carefully weighed before implementing any behavior described with this label.

MAY or the adjective "OPTIONAL", mean that an item is truly optional. One software supplier may choose to include the item to enable certain capabilities while another software supplier may omit the same item. In either case, the communication partner cannot be expected to either provide it (sender) or process it (receiver) without clear and voluntary agreement between the partners.

An implementation which does not include a particular segment/field/component marked as optional **MUST** be prepared to interoperate with another implementation which does include the optional segment/field/component, though perhaps with reduced functionality. In the same vein an implementation which includes a particular segment/field/component marked as optional **MUST** be prepared to interoperate with another implementation which does not include the optional segment/field/component.

HL7 definitions

The terms below are organized to move from the message to subsequently more granular components.

Message: A message is the entire unit of data transferred between systems in a single transmission. It is a series of segments in a sequence defined by the message

specifications. These specifications are based on constraints to the HL7 specifications, as described in an Implementation Guide.

Example:

Segment	Description
MSH|...	Message Header
PID|...	Personal Identifiers
ORC|...	Order Segment
RXA|...	Vaccine administered segment

The table above shows an immunization history for the patient identified in the PID. This person has one immunization ordered and recorded.

Segment: A segment is a logical grouping of data fields. Segments within a defined message may be required or optional, may occur only once, or may be allowed to repeat. Each segment is named and is identified by a segment ID, a unique 3-character code.

Example:

PID|||12322^^^Assigning authority^MR^||Savage^Robert^^^^^L^|

This PID segment includes a medical record number and a person's name.

Field: A field is a string of characters and is of a specific data type. Each field is identified by the segment it is in and its position within the segment; e.g., PID-5 is the fifth field of the PID segment. A field is bounded by the | character.

Component: A component is one of a logical grouping of items that comprise the contents of a coded or composite field. Within a field having several components, not all components are required to be valued.

Example: RXA-5 administered code is composed of 6 components.

Code 1^text 1^code set 1^alternate code 2^alt text 2^alt code set 2

Null and empty fields: The null value is transmitted as two double quote marks ("""). A null-valued field differs from an empty field. An empty field should not overwrite previously entered data in the field, while the null value means that any previous value in this field should be overwritten.

Value in Field	Meaning
"" |""|	Nullify the value recorded in the receiving system data base.
<empty field> ||	Make no changes to the record in the receiving data base. The sending system has no information on this field.

Null fields should not be sent in immunization messages. Systems which will send null fields ("") must specify their use in local implementation guides. Systems which will accept and process null fields, as described above, must specify their use in local implementation guides.

Data type: A data type restricts the contents and format of the data field. Data types are given a 2- or 3-letter code. Some data types are coded or composite types with several components. The applicable data type is listed and defined in each field definition.

Code Sets/Systems: Most data elements will have associated lists of acceptable values in tables supported by a standards organization such as HL7 or CDC. These code sets will include definitions to support common usage.

Delimiters: Delimiter characters are used to separate segments, fields and components in an HL7 message. The delimiter values are given in MSH-2 and used throughout the message. Applications must use agreed upon delimiters to parse the message. Messages used in this Guide **SHALL** use the following delimiters:

<CR> = Segment Terminator;

| = Field Separator;

^ = Component Separator;

& = Sub-Component Separator;

~ = Repetition Separator;

\ = Escape Character.

Message syntax: Each message is defined in special notation that lists the segment 3-letter identifiers in the order they will appear in the message. Braces, {}, indicate that one or more of the enclosed group of segments may repeat, and brackets, [], indicate that the enclosed group of segments is optional. Note that segments may be nested within the braces and brackets. This will indicate that the nested segments are units within a subgroup of segments. Their Usage is relative to the parent segment in the group.

Z segments: All message types, trigger event codes, and segment ID codes beginning with Z are reserved for locally defined messages. No such codes will be defined within the HL7 Standard. The users of this Guide have agreed to eliminate Z segments from their implementations in order to produce a standard method that will be used nationally to transmit immunization data. The query profiled in this document does have a name code which begins with Z as specified by HL7. This is not a Z segment.

Basic Message Construction Rules

Encoding Rules for Sending

1. Encode each segment in the order specified in the abstract message format.
2. Place the Segment ID first in the segment.
3. Precede each data field with the field separator.
4. Encode the data fields in the order and data type specified in the segment definition table.
5. End each segment with the segment terminator.
6. Components, subcomponents, or repetitions that are not valued at the end of a field need not be represented by component separators. The data fields below, for example, are equivalent:

|^XXX&YYY&&^| is equal to |^XXX&YYY^|
|ABC^DEF^^| is equal to |ABC^DEF|

7. Components, subcomponents, or repetitions that are not valued, but precede components, subcomponents or repetitions that are valued must be represented by appropriate separators. For example, the following CE data type element has the first triplicate empty and a populated second triplicate:

|^^^ABC^Text^Codesystem|

8. If a field allows repetition (Cardinality maximum > 1), then the length of the field applies to EACH repetition.

Encoding Rules for Receiving

1. If a data segment that is expected is not included, treat it as if all data fields within were not present.
2. If a data segment is included that is not expected, ignore it; this is not an error.
3. If data fields are found at the end of a data segment that are not expected, ignore them; this is not an error.

Implications of the Encoding Rules

The following table lists the expected outcome implied by the encoding rules above.

Table 3-1 Outcome of Encoding Rule Breaches

Condition	Immediate Outcome	Secondary Outcome
Required segment not present.	Message rejected.	Error message returned to sending system.
Segments not in correct order	Out of sequence segment ignored.	If this segment is required, then message rejected.
Segment not expected	Segment is ignored	
Non-repeating segment is repeated	Repeated segment is ignored. First segment is processed normally.	Information in the repeated segment is lost to receiving system.
Required segment has required fields that are not present or rejected due to errors	Message is rejected.	Error message returned to sending system.
Optional segment has required field that is not present or rejected due to errors.	Segment is ignored	Message is not rejected because of this error. Error message returned.
Required field is not present.	Segment is ignored/rejected.	If segment is required, then message is rejected. If segment is not required, the information in the segment is lost to receiving system.
Required field is rejected due to errors.	Segment is ignored/rejected.	If segment is required, then message is rejected. If segment is not required, the information in the segment is lost to receiving system.
Incoming data value is not in the list of expected values for a field that is constrained to a list of values.	Incoming data are treated as empty.	

Note that all errors in processing a message should be communicated back to the sending system unless the initiating system has indicated that no response is desired.

Determining Usage of Segments, Fields and Components

Many fields and segments in HL7 are optional. This guide tightens constraints on some fields to support functionality required from meaningful use of immunization data. The following list the rules applied to the decisions used to determine usage in this Guide.

1. Any segment, field, or component that is required by HL7 standard is required.
2. Any field or component that is a required National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) Core Data element is required or required but may be empty¹³.
3. Any segment that contains a required NVAC Core data element is required but may be empty.
4. Any segment, field, or component that is retained for backward compatibility in Version 2.5.1 **SHALL** be unsupported in this Guide.
5. Any segment, field, or component that is conditional but may be empty in Version 2.5.1 shall be conditional or conditional but may be empty in this Guide, unless this conflicts with 2 or 3 above.
6. All other fields will be left optional.

USAGE CONFORMANCE TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS

The following text is pre-adopted from the HL7 V2.7.1 Conformance (Chapter 2B) Draft Version (Aug 31, 2011) as revised by the S&I Framework Lab Implementation Guide Recommendations (Sept 2, 2011). Please refer to the base standard documentation for a full explanation of conformance concepts. Usage is described here as it introduces the revised approach to conditional element handling; upon successful ballot and publication this material will be replaced with a reference to the normative documentation.

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Usage

Message content is governed by the cardinality specification associated (explicitly or implicitly) with each element of an HL7 message. Usage rules govern the expected behavior of the sending application and receiving application with respect to the

¹³ In some cases they may not be empty. Client name may never be empty or null, for instance. The NVAC core data elements are listed in the beginning of Appendix B.

element. The usage codes expand/clarify the optionality codes defined in the HL7 standard. Usage codes are employed in a message profile to constrain the use of elements defined in the standard. The usage code definitions are given from a sender and receiver perspective and specify implementation and operational requirements. The standard allows broad flexibility for the message structures that HL7 applications must be able to receive without failing. But while the standard allows that messages may be missing data elements or may contain extra data elements, it should not be inferred from this requirement that such messages are conformant. In fact, the usage codes specified in a message profile place strict conformance requirements on the behavior of the application.

Definition Of Conditional Usage

C(a/b) - “a” and “b” in the expression are placeholders for usage codes representing the true (“a”) predicate outcome and the false (“b”) predicate outcome of the condition. The condition is expressed by a conditional predicate associated with the element (“See the Error section in V2.7.1 Chapter 2B). “a” and “b” shall be one of “R”, “RE”, “O” and/or “X”. The values of “a” and “b” can be the same.

The example C(R/RE) is interpreted as follows. If the condition predicate associated with the element is true then the usage for the element is R-Required. If the condition predicate associated with the element is false then the usage for the element is RE-Required but may be empty.

There are cases where it is appropriate to value “a” and “b” the same. For example, the base standard defines the usage of an element as “C” and the condition predicate is dependent on the presence or non-presence of another element. The profile may constrain the element that the condition is dependent on to X; in such a case the condition should always evaluate to false. Therefore, the condition is profiled to C(X/X) since the desired effect is for the element to be not supported. Note it is not appropriate to profile the element to X since this breaks the rules of allowable usage profiling (see in V2.7.1 Chapter 2B table HL7 Optionality and Conformance Usage).

Sending And Receiving Application Conformance Requirements

Table 3-2--Sending Application Conformance

Symbol	Definition	Implementation Requirement	Operation Requirement
R	Required	The application SHALL implement “R” elements.	The application SHALL populate “R” elements with a non-empty value.
RE	Required but	The application SHALL	The application SHALL populate

	may be empty	implement “RE” elements.	“RE” elements with a non-empty value if there is relevant data. The term “relevant” has a confounding interpretation in this definition ¹⁴
C(a/b)	Conditional	<p>An element with a conditional usage code has an associated condition predicate that determines the operational requirements (usage code) of the element. If the condition predicate associated with the element is true, follow the rules for a which shall be one of “R”, “RE”, “O” or X”:</p> <p>If the condition predicate associated with the element is false, follow the rules for b which shall be one of “R”, “RE”, “O” or X”. a and b can be valued the same.</p> <p>Note: when C(O/X) or similar is used a condition predicate will not be provided.</p>	
X	Not supported in this guide	The application (or as configured) SHALL NOT implement “X” elements.	The application SHALL NOT populate “X” elements.
O	Optional	None. The usage indicator for this element has not yet been defined. For an implementation profile all optional elements must be profiled to R, RE, C(a/b), or X.	Not Applicable

Note: Implementation Requirement the capability of the system. The Operation Requirement indicates what is included in the message.

¹⁴ There are multiple interpretations of “RE” when a value is known. One is “the capability must always be supported and a value is sent if known”, the other is “the capability must always be supported and a value may or may not be sent even when known based on a condition external to the profile specification. The condition may be noted in the profile but cannot be processed automatically”. This is what can be interpreted from the “relevant” part of the definition. Regardless of the interpretation the “RE” usage code, a set of test circumstances can be developed to sufficiently test the “RE” element. See the “Conformity Assessment of Conformance Constructs” section for more details.

Table 3-3--Receiving Application Conformance

Symbol	Definition	Implementation Requirement	Operation Requirement
R	Required	The application SHALL implement “R” elements.	<p>The receiving application SHALL process (save/print/archive/etc.) the information conveyed by a required element.¹⁵</p> <p>A receiving application SHALL raise an exception due to the absence of a required element. A receiving application SHALL NOT raise an error due to the presence of a required element.</p>
RE	Required but may be empty	The application SHALL implement “RE” elements.	<p>The receiving application SHALL process (save/print/archive/etc.) the information conveyed by a required but may be empty element. The receiving application SHALL process the message if the element is omitted (that is, an exception SHALL NOT be raised because the element is missing).</p>
C(a/b)	Conditional	<p>The usage code has an associated condition predicate that determines the operational requirements (usage code) of the element.</p> <p>If the condition predicate associated with the element is true, follow the rules for a which SHALL be one of “R”, “RE”, “O” or X”: If the condition predicate associated with the element is false, follow the rules for b which SHALL be one of “R”, “RE”, “O” or X”.</p> <p>a and b can be the same.</p>	

¹⁵ Processing does not necessarily require permanent storage of the required element. For instance OBX-4 (sub-id) is used to group associated OBX segments, but will probably not be stored.

		Note: when C(O/X) or similar is used a condition predicate will not be provided.	
X	Not supported in this guide	The application (or as configured) SHALL NOT implement “X” elements.	<p>None, if the element is not sent.</p> <p>If the element is sent the receiving application may process the message, SHALL ignore the element, and MAY raise an exception. The receiving application SHALL NOT process (save/print/archive/etc.) the information conveyed by a not-supported element.</p>
O	Optional	None. The usage indicator for this element has not yet been defined. For an implementation profile all optional elements must be profiled to R, RE, C(a/b), or X.	None

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Message Element Attributes

The following describe how message specifications will be illustrated in this Guide. These terms will be used in the tables specifying messages throughout this Guide.

Table 3-1--Message Element Attributes

Abbreviation	Description
Seq	Sequence of the elements (fields) as they are numbered in the HL7 message element. The SEQ attribute applies to the data type attribute table and the segment attribute table.

Segment	<p>Three-character code for the segment and the abstract syntax (i.e., the square and curly braces)</p> <p>[XXX] Optional</p> <p>{ XXX } Repeating</p> <p>XXX Required (not inside any braces)</p> <p>[{ XXX }] Optional and Repeating</p> <p>[XXX [YYY]]</p> <p>YYY is nested within the segment block starting with XXX. It is an optional sub-segment to XXX¹⁶. The whole block is optional.</p> <p>Note that for Segment Groups there will not be a segment code present, but the square and curly braces will still be present.</p>
Length – (V2.7.1)	<p>For each component in the data type table and field in a segment there is a normative length column (LEN) and conformance length (C.LEN). This guide follows the length definitions and conventions from V2.7.1.</p> <p>LEN – If populated, defines the minimum and maximum length that must be supported. The minimum or the maximum may be blank, e.g., “..20” or “2..”. indicating there is no minimum or maximum.</p>
Conditional predicate	Logic for determining the usage of conditional usage for an element.
Data Type	Data type used for HL7 element. Data type specifications can be found in Chapter 4.
Usage	Usage of the message element for this profile. Indicates whether the message element (segment, segment group, field, component, or subcomponent) is R, RE, O, X or C(a/b) in the corresponding message element. Usage applies to the message attribute table, data type attribute table and the segment attribute table.

¹⁶ YYY may only be included if XXX is present. XXX may be present without YYY.

Abbreviation	Description
Cardinality	<p>Indicator of the minimum and maximum number of times the element may appear.</p> <p>[0..0] Element never present.</p> <p>[0..1] Element may be omitted and can have at most, one occurrence.</p> <p>[1..1] Element must have exactly one occurrence.</p> <p>[0..n] Element may be omitted or may repeat up to n times.</p> <p>[1..n] Element must appear at least once, and may repeat up to n times.</p> <p>[0..*] Element may be omitted or repeat for an unlimited number of times.</p> <p>[1..*] Element must appear at least once, and may repeat unlimited number of times.</p> <p>[m..n] Element must appear at least m and, at most, n times.</p> <p>Cardinality applies only to message attribute tables and segment attribute tables.</p>
Value Set	<p>The set of coded values to be used with the field. The value set attribute applies only to the data type attribute tables and the segment attribute tables. The value set may equate with an entire code system part of a code system, or codes drawn from multiple code systems.</p>
HL7 Element Name	<p>HL7 descriptor of the element in the segment.</p>
Description /Comment	<p>Context and usage for the element. Description/Comments applies to the message attribute table, data type attribute table and the segment attribute table.</p>

4. HL7 Data Types

Data types are the building blocks that are the foundation of successful interoperability. Each field, component or subcomponent has a data type. Conforming systems agree to adhere to the data type assigned to each component, assuring smooth communication. For example, dates may be formatted in many ways, but to assure interoperability, these need to be constrained and defined. HL7 specifies several formats, but these are compatible with each other. They allow dates to be as granular as needed. The format allows for just a year (YYYY) or for month, day, year, hour, minute, second, etc.

Appendix A contains the tables of value sets referenced by these data types.

Data Types for IIS Use

Data types specify the format and type of data used. A data type may be as simple as a numeric data type, which allows a number. It may be a more complex coded entry that requires a specific set of code values and the name of the code system. Data types may contain subcomponents that are specified by data types.

The following list of data types only includes those that are used by fields that are anticipated for IIS use. Data types for fields that are not used in this Guide are not included, even if they are part of segment that is used.

Data types are further defined in this implementation guide for all fields that have a usage of R, RE, C(a/b). Data types used only for optional fields are not included. Please refer to the base standard for those data types.

Depending on the components used, the usage of data type components for some data types varies. To clearly indicate when to use specific data type components, each data type that has a varying definition based on profile will be documented with multiple variations, e.g., CE vs. CE_TX. Composite data types indicate which variety of the component's data type is applicable, while the data type of a field is marked as "varies" where the comment indicates the data type choices based on the declared profile or component.

Table 4-1-- Data Types

Data type	Data Type Name
CE	Coded element
CE_TX	Text only CE data type
CQ	Composite Quantity with Units
CWE	Coded with Exceptions
CX	Extended Composite Id with Check digit
DT	Date
DTM	Date/Time
EI	Entity Identifier
ERL	Error Location
FN	Family Name
FT	Formatted text
HD	Hierarchic Designator
ID	Coded Values for HL7 Tables
IS	Coded value for User-Defined Tables
LA2	Location with address variation 2
MSG	Message Type
NM	Numeric
PT	Processing Type
SAD	Street Address
SI	Sequence ID
ST	String
TS	Time Stamp
VID	Version Identifier
XAD	Extended Address
XCN	Extended Composite ID Number and Name for Persons
XON	Extended Name and Id Number for Organizations
XPN	Extended Person Name

XTN	Extended telephone number
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CE -- Coded Element (most uses)

Definition: This data type transmits codes and the text associated with the code.

The following specifications apply to all uses of CE data type EXCEPT RXA-9, *Administration Notes*. That field may use this specification or the specification that follows this section.

Table 4-2 Coded Element (CE)

SEQ	Component Name	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comments
1	Identifier	ST	R	1..50			Identifying Code.
2	Text	ST	RE	1..999			Human readable text that is not further used.
3	Name of Coding System	ID	R	1..20		HL70396	
4	Alternate Identifier	ST	RE	1..50			Alternate Identifying coded.
5	Alternate Text	ST	RE	1..999			Human readable text that is not further used.
6	Name of Alternate Coding system	ID	C(R/X)	1..20	If CE-4 (Alternate Identifier) is valued	HL70396	

Note:

The alternate identifier (from the alternate coding system) should be the closest match for the identifier found in CE-1.

The order of the contents is not specified. In the previous guide, the first triplet was reserved for CVX codes in RXA-5. This is no longer true, based on HL7 usage of CE data type.

Identifier (ST)

Definition: Sequence of characters (the code) that uniquely identifies the item being referenced. Different coding schemes will have different elements here.

Text (ST)

Definition: The descriptive or textual name of the identifier, e.g., DTaP. This is not used by the sending or receiving system, but rather facilitates human interpretation of the code.

Name of Coding System (ID)

Definition: Identifies the coding scheme being used in the identifier component. The combination of the **identifier** and **name of coding system** components will be a unique code for a data item. Each system has a unique identifier.

Alternate Identifier (ST)

Definition: An alternate sequence of characters (the code) that uniquely identifies the item being referenced. See usage note in section introduction.

Alternate Text (ST)

Definition: The descriptive or textual name of the alternate identifier, e.g., DTaP. This is not used by the sending or receiving system, but rather facilitates human interpretation of the code.

Name of Alternate Coding System (ID)

Definition: Identifies the coding scheme being used in the alternate identifier component.

Example usage:

From RXA 5, Administered Code:

|50^DTAP-HIB^CVX^90721^DTAP-HIB^C4|

CE_TX -- Coded Element (text only in RXA-9)

Definition: This data type may be used to transmit text only notes.

The following specifications apply to use of CE data type for RXA-9, administration notes only.

Table 4-3 Coded Element (CE) for Text Only RXA-9

SEQ	Component Name	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comments
1	Identifier	ST	X				
2	Text	ST	R	999			Human readable text that is not further processed.
3	Name of Coding	ID	X				
4	Alternate Identifier	ST	X				
5	Alternate Text	ST	X				
6	Name of Alternate	ID	X				

Note: When transmitting text note only, only the first triplet shall be populated.

Text (ST)

Definition: Free text note regarding the immunization reported in this RXA.

CQ -- Composite Quantity with Units

Definition: This data type carries a quantity and attendant units. Its' primary use in this Guide will be for indicating the maximum number of records to return in a query response.

Table 4-4 Composite Quantity with Units (CQ)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	COMMENTS
1	Quantity	NM	R	16			
2	Units	CE	R			HL7 0126 (constrained)	

Conformance Statement:

IZ-1: CQ-1 (Quantity) shall be a positive integer.

IZ-2: CQ-2 (Units) shall be the literal value “RD”.

Maximum Length: 500

Note: CQ cannot be legally expressed when embedded within another data type. Its use is constrained to a segment field.

Examples:

|10^RD| 10 records

Quantity (NM)

Definition: This component specifies the numeric quantity or amount of an entity.

Units (CE)

Definition: This component species the units in which the quantity is expressed. Field-by-field, default units may be defined within the specifications. When the quantity is measured in the default units, the units need not be transmitted. If the quantity is recorded in units different from the default, the units must be transmitted.

CWE -- Coded With Exceptions

Definition: Specifies a coded element and its associated detail. The CWE data type is used when 1) more than one table may be applicable **or** 2) the specified HL7 or externally defined table may be extended with local values **or** 3) when text is in place, the code may be omitted.

Table 4-5 Coded with Exceptions (CWE)

SEQ	Component Name	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comments
1	Identifier	ST	RE	1..999			Identifying Code.
2	Text	ST	RE	1..999			Human readable text that is not further used.
3	Name of Coding	ID	C(R/X)	1..20	If CWE.1(Identifier) is valued	HL70396	
4	Alternate Identifier	ST	RE	1..999			Alternate Identifying coded.
5	Alternate Text	ST	C(RE/X)	1..999	If CWE.4 (Alternate Identifier) is valued		Human readable text that is not further used.
6	Name of Alternate System	ID	C(R/X)	1..20	If CWE.4 (Alternate Identifier) is valued	HL70396	
7	Coding System Version Id	ST	O				
8	Alternate Coding System Version Id	ST	O				
9	Original Text	ST	O				

Note: The alternate identifier (from the alternate coding system) should be the closest match for the identifier found in component 1.

Identifier (ST)

Definition: Sequence of characters (the code) that uniquely identifies the item being referenced. Different coding schemes will have different elements here.

Text (ST)

Definition: The descriptive or textual name of the identifier, e.g., DTaP. This is not used by the sending or receiving system, but rather facilitates human interpretation of the code.

Name of Coding System (ID)

Definition: Identifies the coding scheme being used in the identifier component. The combination of the **identifier** and **name of coding system** components will be a unique code for a data item. Each system has a unique identifier.

Alternate Identifier (ST)

Definition: An alternate sequence of characters (the code) that uniquely identifies the item being referenced. See usage note in section introduction.

Alternate Text (ST)

Definition: The descriptive or textual name of the alternate identifier, e.g., DTaP. This is not used by the sending or receiving system, but rather facilitates human interpretation of the code.

Name of Alternate Coding System (ID)

Definition: Identifies the coding scheme being used in the alternate identifier component.

Example usage:

From RXR: |C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^INTRAMUSCULAR^HL70162|

CX -- Extended Composite ID With Check Digit

Table 4-6 Extended Composite ID with Check Digit(CX)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	COMMENTS
1	ID Number	ST	R	15			
2	Check Digit	ST	O				
3	Check Digit Scheme	ID	C(O/X)		If CX. 2 (check digit) is valued	HL70061	
4	Assigning Authority	HD	R			HL70363	

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	COMMENTS
5	Identifier Type Code	ID	R	2..5		HL70203	
6	Assigning Facility	HD	O				
7	Effective Date	DT	O				
8	Expiration Date	DT	O				
9	Assigning Jurisdiction	CWE	O				
10	Assigning Agency or Department	CWE	O				

Definition: This data type is used for specifying an identifier with its associated administrative detail.

Note: The check digit and check digit scheme are empty if ID is alphanumeric.

Example:

|1234567^^^ME129^MR|

ID (ST)

Definition: The value of the identifier itself.

Check Digit (ST)

This component should be valued empty.

Check Digit Scheme (ID)

This component should be valued if Check digit is populate, otherwise it should be empty.

Assigning Authority (HD)

The assigning authority is a unique name of the system (or organization or agency or department) that creates the data. . Refer to User-defined Table 0363 – Assigning authority for suggested values. This table shall be maintained by each IIS. The first component shall be used for this unique name. The second and third may be used if OIDs¹⁷ are recorded.

Identifier Type Code (ID)

A code corresponding to the type of identifier. In some cases, this code may be used as a qualifier to the “Assigning authority” component. Refer to HL7 Table 0203 - Identifier type for suggested values.

DT -- Date

Definition: Specifies the century and year with optional precision to month and day.

Table 4-7 Date (DT)

SEQ	Component Name	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comments
1	Date		R	4..8			

As of v 2.3, the number of digits populated specifies the precision using the format specification YYYY(MM[DD]). Thus:

- Four digits are used to specify a precision of "year"
- Six are used to specify a precision of "month"
- Eight are used to specify a precision of "day."

Examples:

|19880704|

|199503|

|2000|

¹⁷ OIDs are object identifiers. According to Wikipedia: “Health Level Seven (HL7), a standards-developing organization in the area of electronic health care data exchange, is an assigning authority at the 2.16.840.1.113883 (joint-iso-itu-t.country.us.organization.hl7) node. HL7 maintains its own OID registry, and as of January 1, 2008 it contained almost 3,000 nodes, most of them under the HL7 root. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has also adopted OIDs to manage the many complex values sets or "vocabularies" used in public health. The various OIDs are available in the Public Health Information Network (PHIN) Vocabulary Access and Distribution System (VADS).”

DTM -- Date/Time

Table 4-8 Date/Time (DTM)

SEQ	Component Name	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comments
	Date/time		R	4..24			

The number of characters populated (excluding the time zone specification) specifies the precision.

Format: YYYY[MM[DD[HH[MM[SS[.S[S[S[S]]]]]]]]][+/-ZZZZ].

Thus:

- Four digits are used to specify a precision of "year"
- Six are used to specify a precision of "month"
- Eight are used to specify a precision of "day."
- the first ten are used to specify a precision of "hour"
- the first twelve are used to specify a precision of "minute"
- the first fourteen are used to specify a precision of "second"
- the first sixteen are used to specify a precision of "one tenth of a second"
- the first nineteen are used to specify a precision of "one ten thousandths of a second"

When the time zone is not included, it is presumed to be the time zone of the sender.

Example: |199904| specifies April 1999.

Note that this data type will be constrained at the field level, depending on the use.

EI -- Entity Identifier

Definition: The entity identifier defines a given entity within a specified series of identifiers.

Table 4-9 Entity Identifier (EI)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Entity Identifier	ST	R	1..199			
2	Namespace ID	IS	C(R/O)	20	If EI.3 (Universal Id) is not valued	HL70363	
3	Universal ID	ST	C(R/O)	199	If EI.1 (Namespace ID) is not valued		
4	Universal ID Type	ID	C(R/X)	6	If EI.3 (Universal Id) is valued	HL70301 (constrained)	

Conformance Statement:

IZ-3 Conformance Statement: If populated EI.3 (Universal Id), it shall be valued with an ISO-compliant OID.

IZ-4 Conformance Statement: If populated EI.4 is populated (Universal ID Type), it shall contain the value “ISO”.

Entity Identifier (ST)

The first component, <entity identifier>, is defined to be unique within the series of identifiers created by the <assigning authority>, defined by a hierarchic designator, represented by component 2.

Namespace ID (IS)

The assigning authority is a unique identifier of the system (or organization or agency or department) that creates the data. Refer to User-defined Table 0363 – Assigning authority for suggested values.

Universal ID (ST)

This is a universal id associated with this entity. It must be linked to the Universal Id Type below. If populated, it shall be an OID.

Universal ID Type (ID)

This universal id type is drawn from HL7 Table 0301. If populated, it shall be ISO.

Example:

From MSH 21 profile identifier:

|Z34^CDCPHINVS|

ERL -- Error Location

Table 4-10 Error Location (ERL)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Segment ID	ST	R	3..3			The 3-character name for the segment (i.e. PID)
2	Segment Sequence	NM	R	1..2			
3	Field Position	NM	RE	2			This should not be populated if the error refers to the whole segment.
4	Field Repetition	NM	C(R/X)	2	If ERL.3 (Field Position) is valued		
5	Component Number	NM	RE	2			Should be populated ONLY when a particular component cause the error.
6	Sub-Component Number	NM	RE	2			Should be populated ONLY when a particular sub-component cause the error.

Definition:

This data type identifies the segment and its constituent where an error has occurred.

Segment ID (ST)

Definition: Specifies the 3-letter name for the segment.

Segment Sequence (NM)

Definition: Identifies the segment occurrence within the message. That is, for the first instance of the segment in the message the number shall be 1.

Field Position (NM)

Definition: Identifies the number of the field within the segment. The first field is assigned a number of 1. Field number should not be specified when referring to the entire segment.

Field Repetition (NM)

Definition: Identifies the repetition number of the field. The first repetition is counted as 1. If a Field Position is specified, but Field Repetition is not, Field Repetition should be assumed to be 1. If Field Position is not specified, Field Repetition should not be specified.

Component Number (NM)

Definition: Identifies the number of the component within the field. The first component is assigned a number of 1. Component number should not be specified when referring to the entire field.

Sub-Component Number (NM)

Definition: Identifies the number of the sub-component within the component. The first sub-component is assigned a number of 1. Sub-component number should not be specified when referring to the entire component.

Example:

|RXA^1^5^1^3|

FN -- Family Name

Definition: This data type contains a person's family name or surname.

Table 4-11 Family Name

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Surname	ST	R	1..50			
2	Own Surname Prefix	ST	O				
3	Own Surname	ST	O				

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
4	Surname Prefix From Partner/Spouse	ST	O				
5	Surname From Partner/Spouse	ST	O				

Surname (ST)

This is the person's last name.

Example from PID: |Anyperson|

FT – Formatted Text

Table 4-1 Formatted Text

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Formatted Text Data		R	1..65536			

Usage Note

The FT data type allows use of the formatting escape sequences documented in *HL7 Version 2.5.1, Chapter 2, Section 2.7.1 - Use of Escape Sequences in Text Fields*. In this implementation guide, the only allowed escape sequences are those allowed in *HL7 Version 2.5.1, Chapter 2, Section 2.7.4 - Special Characters*. These are the escape sequences for the message delimiters (i.e., |^&~\ or |^&~\#).

HD -- Hierarchic Designator

The use of OIDs in fields using this data type is encouraged.

Definition: HD identifies an (administrative or system or application or other) entity that has responsibility for managing or assigning a defined set of instance identifiers (such as placer or filler number, patient identifiers, provider identifiers, etc.). This entity could be a particular health care application such as a registration system that assigns patient identifiers, a governmental entity such as a licensing authority that assigns professional identifiers or drivers' license numbers, or a facility where such identifiers are assigned.

Table 4-12 Hierarchical Designator (HD)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Namespace ID	IS	C(R/O)	1..20	If the HD.2 (Universal ID) is not valued	HL70300 HL70361 HL70362 HL70363	This field is used for a locally defined name/id. It may be used as previous version 2.3.1 Implementation Guide specified. The value set used depends on usage.
2	Universal ID	ST	C(R/O)	1..199	If the HD.1 (Namespace ID) is not valued		
3	Universal ID Type	ID	C(R/X)	1..6	If the HD.2 (Universal ID) is valued	HL70301 (Constrained)	

Conformance Statement:

IZ-5: If populated, HD.2 (Universal ID) it SHALL be valued with an ISO_compliant OID.

IZ-6: If populated, HD.3 (Universal ID Type) SHALL be valued the literal value: "ISO".

IS -- Namespace ID

User-defined Table 0300/0361/0362/0363 - Namespace ID is used as the HL7 identifier for the user-defined table of values for this component.

Note: When the HD is used in a given segment (either as a field or as a component of another data type) this table may be re-defined (given a different user-defined table number and name) by the technical committee responsible for that segment.

Tables 0361-0363 are preferred for most instances. For instance for identifying the assigning authority, use 0363.

Universal ID (ST)

The HD's second component, <universal ID> (UID), is a string formatted according to the scheme defined by the third component, <universal ID type> (UID type). The UID is intended to be unique over time within the UID type. It is rigorously defined. Each UID must belong to one of the specifically enumerated schemes for constructing UIDs (defined by the UID type). The UID (second component) must follow the syntactic rules of the particular universal identifier scheme (defined by the third component). Note that these syntactic rules are not defined within HL7 but are defined by the rules of the particular universal identifier scheme (defined by the third component).

Universal ID Type (ID)

The third component governs the interpretation of the second component of the HD. If the third component is a known UID refer to HL7 Table 0301 - Universal ID type for valid values, then the second component is a universal ID of that type. Since the second component is constrained to OID, then the value of component 3 shall be ISO, when populated.

Example from MSH:

|CA12^^|

ID -- Coded Values for HL7 Tables

Definition: This data type is used for coded values from an HL7 table.

Table 4-13 --ID Data Type

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Coded Value for HL7-defined Tables		R	1..15			

The value of such a field follows the formatting rules for an ST field except that it is drawn from a table of legal values. There shall be an HL7 table number associated with ID data types. An example of an ID field is PID 24 –Multiple Birth Indicator. This data type should be used only for HL7 tables (see Appendix A).

Example from PID Multiple Birth Indicator:

|Y|

IS -- Coded Values for User Defined Tables

Definition: This data type is used for codes from User-defined Tables.

Table 4-14 Coded Values for User Defined Tables (IS)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Length	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
1	Coded Value for User-Defined Tables			1..20			

The value of such a field follows the formatting rules for a ST field except that it is drawn from a site-defined (or user-defined) table of legal values. There shall be an HL7 table number associated with IS data types. This data type should be used only for user-defined tables.

Example from PID Sex:

|F|

LA2 -- Location with Address Variation 2

Definition: Specifies a location and its address.

Table 4-15 Location with Address Variation 2

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
1	Point of Care	IS	O				This represents the location within a facility that the service was provided. This is not the clinic site where an event occurred.
2	Room	IS	O				
3	Bed	IS	O				
4	Facility	HD	R				This represents the location that the service was provided. For example the clinic.
5	Location Status	IS	O				

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
6	Patient Location Type	IS	O				
7	Building	IS	O				
8	Floor	IS	O				
9	Street Address	ST	O				
10	Other Designation	ST	O				
11	City	ST	O				
12	State or Province	ST	O				
13	Zip or Postal Code	ST	O				
14	Country	ID	O				
15	Address Type	ID	O				
16	Other Geographic Designation	ST	O				

MSG -- Message Type

Definition: This field contains the message type, trigger event, and the message structure ID for the message.

Table 4-16 Message Type (MSG)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Message Code	ID	R	3..3		HL70076 (constrained)	
2	Trigger Event	ID	R	3..3		HL70003 (constrained)	
3	Message Structure	ID	R	3..7		HL70354 (constrained)	

Message Code (ID)

Definition: Specifies the message type code. Refer to HL7 Table – Message Type in section 2.17.1 for valid values.

This table contains values such as ACK, ADT, ORU etc.

See section 2.5.1- Messages for further discussion.

Trigger Event (ID)

Definition: Specifies the trigger event code. Refer to HL7 Table – Event Type in section 2.17.2 for valid values.

This table contains values like A01, V01, R01 etc.

Message Structure (ID)

Definition: Specifies the abstract message structure code. Refer to HL7 Table 0354.

Example from MSH:

|VXU^V04^VXU_V04|

The third component was not required in version 2.3.1. It is now required.

NM -- Numeric

Definition: A number represented as a series of ASCII numeric characters consisting of an optional leading sign (+ or -), the digits and an optional decimal point. In the absence of a sign, the number is assumed to be positive. If there is no decimal point the number is assumed to be an integer.

Table 4-17 Numeric (NM)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Numeric		R	1..16			

Examples:

|999|

|-123.792|

Leading zeros, or trailing zeros after a decimal point, are not significant. For example, the following two values with different representations, "01.20" and "1.2," are identical. Except for the optional leading sign (+ or -) and the optional decimal point (.), no non-numeric ASCII characters are allowed. Thus, the value <12 should be encoded as a structured numeric (SN) (preferred) or as a string (ST) (allowed, but not preferred) data type.

PT -- Processing Type

Definition: This data type indicates whether to process a message as defined in HL7 Application (level 7) Processing rules.

Table 4-18 Processing Type (PT)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Processing ID	ID	R	1..1		HL70103	
2	Processing Mode	ID	O				

Processing ID (ID)

A value that defines whether the message is part of a production, training, or debugging system. Refer to HL7 Table 0103 - Processing ID for valid values.

SAD -- Street Address

Definition: This data type specifies an entity's street address and associated detail.

Table 4-19 Street Address (SAD)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Street or Mailing Address	ST	R	1..120			
2	Street Name	ST	O				
3	Dwelling Number	ST	O				

Note: Appears ONLY in the XAD data type

Street or Mailing Address (ST)

Definition: This component specifies the street or mailing address of a person or institution.

SI -- Sequence Id

Definition: A non-negative integer in the form of a NM field. The uses of this data type are defined in the chapters defining the segments and messages in which it appears.

Table 4-20 Sequence Id (SI)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	COMMENTS
1	Sequence ID		R	1..4			

ST – String

Definition:

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String data is left justified with trailing blanks optional. Any displayable (printable) ACSII characters (hexadecimal values between 20 and 7E, inclusive, or ASCII decimal values between 32 and 126), except the defined escape characters and defined delimiter characters.

Table 4-21 String (ST)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	COMMENTS
1	String Data		R				

Usage Note

The ST data type is normally used for short text strings. No leading blanks (space characters) are permitted. Trailing blanks are permitted. In this implementation guide, the only allowed escape sequences are those allowed in HL7 Version 2.5.1, Chapter 2, Section 2.7.4 - Special Characters. These are the escape sequences for the message delimiters (i.e., |^&~\ or |^&~#).

TS -- Time Stamp

Definition: Specifies a point in time.

Table 4-22 Time Stamp (TS)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Time	DTM	R				
2	Degree of Precision	ID	X				

VID -- Version Id

Definition: This specifies the HL7 version.

Table 4-23 Version ID (VID)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Version ID	ID	R	5..5		HL70104 (constrained)	
2	Internationalization Code	C(O/O)	O				
3	International Version ID	C(O/O)	O				

Conformance Statement:

IZ-7: VID-1 (Version Id) SHALL be valued with the literal “2.5.1”

Version ID (ID)

Used to identify the HL7 version. Only “2.5.1” will be accepted.

XAD -- Extended Address

Definition: This data type specifies the address of a person, place or organization plus associated information.

Table 4-24 Extended Address (XAD)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
1	Street Address	SAD	RE				
2	Other Designation	ST	RE	1..120			
3	City	ST	RE	1..50			

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
4	State or Province	ST	RE	1..50		US Postal Service state codes	Two character USPS codes, for example: AL, AK, ME
5	Zip or Postal Code	ST	RE	1..12			
6	Country	ID	RE	3..3		HL70399	Empty defaults to USA
7	Address Type	ID	R	1..3		HL70190	
8	Other Geographic Designation	ST	O				
9	County/Parish Code	IS	O				
10	Census Tract	IS	O				
11	Address Representation Code	ID	O				
12	Address Validity Range	DR	X				deprecated as of v 2.5
13	Effective Date	TS	O				
14	Expiration Date	TS	O				

Example of usage for US:

|1000 Hospital Lane^Ste. 123^Ann Arbor ^MI^99999^^B|

This would be formatted for postal purposes as

1000 Hospital Lane

Ste. 123

Ann Arbor MI 99999

Street Address (SAD)

Definition: This is the street address.

Other Designation (ST)

Definition: Second line of address. In US usage, it qualifies address. Examples: Suite 555 or Fourth Floor. This can be used for dwelling number.

City (ST)

Definition: This component specifies the city, or district or place where the addressee is located depending upon the national convention for formatting addresses for postal usage.

State or Province (ST)

Definition: This component specifies the state or province where the addressee is located. State or province should be represented by the official postal service codes for that country. In the US it SHALL be the 2 character state codes (ie AK, ME, WI)

Zip or Postal Code (ST)

Definition: This component specifies the zip or postal code where the addressee is located. Zip or postal codes should be represented by the official codes for that country. In the US, the zip code takes the form 99999[-9999], while the Canadian postal code takes the form A9A9A9, and the Australian Postcode takes the form 9999.

Country (ID)

Definition: This component specifies the country where the addressee is located. HL7 specifies that the 3-character (alphabetic) form of ISO 3166 be used for the country code. Refer to HL7 Table 0399 – Country code in section 2.15.9.17 for valid values.

Address Type (ID)

Definition: This component specifies the kind or type of address. Refer to HL7 Table 0190 - Address type for valid values.

County/Parish Code (IS)

A code that represents the county in which the specified address resides. User-defined Table 0289 - County/parish is used as the HL7 identifier for the user-defined table of values for this component. When this component is used to represent the county (or parish), component 8 <other geographic designation> should not duplicate it (i.e., the use of <other geographic designation> to represent the county is allowed only for the purpose of backward compatibility, and should be discouraged in this and future versions of HL7).

Allowable values: codes defined by government.

XCN - Extended Composite ID Number and Name for Persons

Definition: This data type identifies a person using a unique id and name. The ID is associated with an entity such as an organization, which assigns the ID. This data type is used where there is a need to specify the ID number and name of a person.

Table 4-25 Extended Composite ID Number and Name (XCN)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	DT	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	ID Number	ST	C(R/RE)	1..15	If XCN.2.1 (Surname) and XCN.3 (Given Name) are not valued		
2	Family Name	FN	RE				
3	Given Name	ST	RE	30			
4	Second and Further Given Names or Initials Thereof	ST	RE	30			
5	Suffix (e.g., JR or III)	ST	O				
6	Prefix (e.g., DR)	ST	O				
7	Degree (e.g., MD)	IS	X				Use Professional suffix in sequence 21.
8	Source Table	IS	O				
9	Assigning Authority	HD	C(R/X)		If the XCN-1 (id number) is valued	HL70363	

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	DT	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
10	Name Type Code	ID	RE	1		HL70200	
11	Identifier Check Digit	ST	O				
12	Check Digit Scheme	ID	C(O/X)		If XCN-11 (check digit identifier) is valued		
13	Identifier Type Code	ID	O				
14	Assigning Facility	HD	O				
15	Name Representation Code	ID	O				
16	Name Context	CE	O				
17	Name Validity Range	DR	X				
18	Name Assembly Order	ID	X				
19	Effective Date	TS	O				
20	Expiration Date	TS	O				
21	Professional Suffix	ST	O				
22	Assigning Jurisdiction	CWE	O				

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	DT	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
23	Assigning Agency or Department	CWE	O				

Note: The ID Number component combined with the Assigning Authority (XCN.9) must uniquely identify the associated person.

Note: If XCN-2.1 (Surname) and XCN-3 (Given Name) are populated then XCN-10 (name type code) defaults to L, legal name.

ID number (ST)

This string refers to the coded ID assigned by the assigning authority.

Family Name (FN)

This component contains the person's surname.

Given Name (ST)

First name.

Second and Further Given Names or Initials Thereof (ST)

Multiple middle names may be included by separating them with spaces.

Suffix (ST)

Used to specify a name suffix (e.g., Jr. or III).

Prefix (ST)

Used to specify a name prefix (e.g., Dr.).

Source Table (IS)

User-defined Table 0297 – CN ID source is used as the HL7 identifier for the user-defined table of values for this component. Used to delineate the first component.

Assigning Authority (HD)

The assigning authority is a unique identifier of the system (or organization or agency of department) that creates the data. User-defined Table 0363 – Assigning authority is used as the HL7 identifier for the user-defined table of values for the first sub-component of the HD component, <namespace ID>.

Note: When HD data type is used as a component of another data type, its components are demoted to subcomponents. This means that each component is separated by & rather than ^. For example:

Name space id^some OID^ISO becomes Name space id&some OID&^ISO

Note: When the HD data type is used in a given segment as a component of a field of another data type, User-defined Table 0300 - Namespace ID (referenced by the first sub-component of the HD component) may be re-defined (given a different user-defined table number and name) by the technical committee responsible for that segment. User-defined Table 0363 is specified by this Implementation Guide for Assigning Authority.

By site agreement, implementers may continue to use User-defined Table 0300 – Namespace ID for the first sub-component.

Name Type Code (ID)

A code that represents the type of name. Refer to HL7 Table 0200 - Name type for valid values. If the field is not populated then the value is assumed to be L.

Identifier Type Code (IS)

A code corresponding to the type of identifier. In some cases, this code may be used as a qualifier to the <assigning authority> component. Refer to HL7 Table 0203 - Identifier type for suggested values.

Professional Suffix (ST)

Definition: Used to specify an abbreviation, or a string of abbreviations denoting qualifications that support the person's profession, (e.g., licenses, certificates, degrees, affiliations with professional societies, etc.). The Professional Suffix normally follows the Family Name when the Person Name is used for display purposes. Please note that this component is an unformatted string and is used for display purposes only.

XON - Extended Composite Name and ID Number and Name for Organizations

Definition: This data type identifies an organization using a unique id and name. The ID is associated with an entity such as an organization, which assigns the ID.

Table 4-26 Extended Composite ID Number and Name for Organizations (XON)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	DT	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Organization Name	ST	RE	1..50			
2	Organization Name Type Code	IS	O				
3	ID Number		X				
4	Check Digit		O				
5	Check Digit Scheme		O				
6	Assigning Authority	HD	C(R/O)		If XON.10 is valued		The Assigning Authority is used to identify the system, application or organization that assigned the ID in Component 10.
7	Identifier Type Code	ID	C(R/X)	2..5	If XON.10 is valued	HL70203	
8	Assigning Facility	HD	O				
9	Name Representation Code	ID	O				
10	Organization Identifier	ST	C(R/RE)	1..20	If XON.1 is not valued		

Extended Person Name (XPN)

Definition: This is used for representing a person's name.

Table 4-27 Extended Person Name (XPN)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
1	Family Name	FN	R				
2	Given Name	ST	R	30			
3	Second and Further Given Names or Initials Thereof	ST	RE	30			
4	Suffix (e.g., JR or III)	ST	O				
5	Prefix (e.g., DR)	ST	O				
6	Degree (e.g., MD)	IS	X				Use Professional suffix in sequence 14
7	Name Type Code	ID	RE	1		HL70200	
8	Name Representation Code	ID	O				
9	Name Context	CE	O				
10	Name Validity Range	DR	X				
11	Name Assembly Order	ID	O				
12	Effective Date	TS	O				

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	COMMENTS
13	Expiration Date	TS	O				
14	Professional Suffix	ST	O				

Note: Replaces PN data type as of v 2.3.

Family Name (FN)

This is the person's surname or family name.

Given Name (ST)

First name.

Second and Further Given Names or Initials Thereof (ST)

Multiple middle names may be included by separating them with spaces.

Suffix (ST)

Used to specify a name suffix (e.g., Jr. or III).

Prefix (ST)

Used to specify a name prefix (e.g., Dr.).

Name Type Code (ID)

A code that represents the type of name. Refer to HL7 Table 0200 - Name type for valid values.

Note: The content of Legal Name is country specific. In the US the legal name is the same as the current married name.

Professional Suffix (ST)

This is the person's professional suffix. Replaces degree above.

XTN - Extended Telecommunication Number

Definition: This contains the extended telephone number.

Table 4-28 XTN Extended Telecommunication Number (XTN)

SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
1	Telephone Number	ST	X				Deprecated as of 2.3
2	Telecommunication Use Code	ID	R			HL70201	
3	Telecommunication Equipment Type	ID	RE			HL70202	
4	Email Address	ST	C(R/X)	1..199	If the XTN-2 (telecommunication type code) is valued "NET"		
5	Country Code	NM	O				
6	Area/City Code	NM	C(RE/X)	5	If the XTN-2 (telecommunication type code) is valued not "NET"		
7	Local Number	NM	C(R/X)	9	If the XTN-2 (telecommunication type code) is valued not "NET"		
8	Extension	NM	O				
9	Any Text	ST	O				
10	Extension Prefix	ST	O				
11	Speed Dial Code	ST	O				

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SEQ	COMPONENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	COMMENTS
12	Unformatted Telephone number	ST	O				

Note: Components five through nine reiterate the basic function of the first component in a delimited form that allows the expression of both local and international telephone numbers. As of 2.3, the recommended form for the telephone number is to use the delimited form rather than the unstructured form supported by the first component .

The old implementation guide (2.3.1) allowed the first component to be used for phone number. This is not supported by this Guide.

Note: Replaces TN data type as of v 2.3

Example: A primary residence number

^PRN^PH^^734^6777777

Telecommunication Use Code (ID)

A code that represents a specific use of a telecommunication number. Refer to HL7 Table 0201 - Telecommunication use code for valid values.

Telecommunication Equipment Type (ID)

A code that represents the type of telecommunication equipment. Refer to HL7 Table 0202 - Telecommunication equipment type for valid values.

Email Address (ST)

The email address for the entity.

Area/city Code (NM)

The telephone area code for the entity.

Phone Number (NM)

The phone number for the entity.

Extension (NM)

The extension to the phone.

5. Segments and Message Details

This chapter will contain specifications for each segment used. It will indicate which fields are supported or required and describe any constraints on these fields. Chapter 6 will then address how these building blocks are assembled into specific messages that meet the use cases listed in Chapter 2.

Table 5-1 Message Segments

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
BHS (Batch Header Segment)	The Batch Header Segment wraps a group of 1 or more messages. These may be a mixture of acceptable message types. This segment is not required for real-time messaging. That is, a stream of messages may be sent without a BHS. A system may choose to require BHS for all groups of messages, but should specify this requirement in a local implementation Guide.	Any	Optional	Used at the beginning of any batch of messages.
BTS (Batch Trailer Segment)	The BTS segment defines the end of a batch. It is required if the message has a matching BHS.	Any	Required if message starts with BHS.	Used to mark the end of any batch of messages. If the batch of messages starts with a BHS, then this segment is required.
ERR (Error Segment)	The error segment reports information about errors in	ACK, RSP	Ability to create and	Used to return information about errors.

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
	processing the message. The segment may repeat. Each error will have its' own ERR segment.		process is required for conformant systems.	
EVN (Event Segment)	The EVN segment is used to communicate necessary trigger event information to receiving applications. Valid event types for all chapters are contained in HL7 Table 0003 - Event Type	ADT	Required for ADT message.	Used to convey event trigger information.
FHS (File Header Segment)	The file header segment may be used to group one or more batches of messages. This is a purely optional segment, even if batches are sent. Its' use is not anticipated for use in real-time transactions. Any system that anticipates its use should specify this in a local implementation Guide.	Any	Optional	Used to mark the beginning of a file of batches.
FTS (File Trailer Segment)	The FTS segment defines the end of a file of batches. It is only used when the FHS segment is used.	Any	Required to terminate a file of batches. (Matches FHS)	Used to mark the end of a file of batches. If a file of batches has an FHS at the beginning, then this segment is required.
IN1-3	The IN1-IN3 segments contain	VXU	Optional	This segment is specified for local use,

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
(Insurance Segment)	insurance policy coverage information necessary to produce properly pro-rated and patient and insurance bills.			based on state requirements.
MSA (Message Acknowledgement Segment)	This segment is included in the query response (RSP) and acknowledgment (ACK) messages. It contains information used to identify the receiver's acknowledgement response to an identified prior message.	RSP, ACK	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	
MSH (Message Segment Header)	The MSH segment defines the intent, source, destination, and some specifics of the syntax of a message.	All	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	This begins every message and includes information about the type of message, how to process it and who it was created by.
NK1 (Next of Kin Segment)	The NK1 segment contains information about the patient's next of kin or other related parties. Any associated parties may be identified.	VXU, ADT, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	Used to carry information about the next of kin for a client.
NTE (Note Segment)	The NTE segment is used for sending notes and comments. It is used in relation to OBX in the	VXU, ADT, RSP	Ability to create and process is	Used to carry a note related to the parent segment.

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
	VXU and RSP.		required for conformant systems.	
OBX (Observation Result Segment)	The observation result segment has many uses. It carries observations about the object of its parent segment. In the VXU/RSP it is associated with the RXA or immunization record. The basic format is a question and an answer.	ADT, VXU, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	Used to report one atomic part of an observation.
ORC (Order Request Segment)	The Common Order segment (ORC) is used to transmit fields that are common to all orders (all types of services that are requested). While not all immunizations recorded in an immunization message are able to be associated with an order, each RXA must be associated with one ORC, based on HL7 2.5.1 standard.	VXU, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	Used to give information about a group of one or more orders (typically RXA).
PD1 (Patient Demographic Segment)	The patient additional demographic segment contains demographic information that is likely to change about the patient. In immunization	VXU, RSP, ADT	Ability to create and process is required for conformant	Used to give information about a patient. A primary use in immunization messages is to give information about privacy and whether contact is allowed.

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
	messages, this is information about the need to protect the client's information, how they should be part of reminder efforts and their current status in the IIS.		systems.	
PID (Patient Identifier Segment)	This segment contains permanent patient identifying and demographic information that, for the most part, is not likely to change. Used by all applications as the primary means of communicating patient identification information. frequently.	VXU, ADT, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	Used to carry information about the patient/client.
PV1 (Patient Visit Segment)	This segment contains information related to a specific visit.	VXU, ADT, RSP	Optional	Previously used to carry funding program eligibility status. Use OBX for this purpose now.
QAK (Query acknowledgement segment)	The QAK segment contains information sent with responses to a query.	RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	
QPD	Query parameter definition	QBP, RSP	Ability to create and	

Segment (Name/Role)	Definition	Message Usage	Usage	Note
			process is required for conformant systems.	
RCP	Response control parameter segment	QBP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	
RXA	Pharmacy/Treatment Administration Segment	VXU, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	
RXR	Pharmacy/Treatment Route Segment	VXU, RSP	Ability to create and process is required for conformant systems.	

BHS—Batch Header Segment

Table 5-2 Batch Header Segment (BHS)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
1	Batch Field Separator	ST	R	[1..1]	1,,1			
2	Batch Encoding Characters	ST	R	[1..1]	4..4			
3	Batch Sending Application	HD	O					
4	Batch Sending Facility	HD	O					
5	Batch Receiving Application	HD	O					
6	Batch Receiving Facility	HD	O					
7	Batch Creation Date/Time	TS	O					
8	Batch Security	ST	O					
9	Batch Name/ID/Type	ST	O					
10	Batch Comment	ST	O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
11	Batch Control ID	ST	O					
12	Reference Batch Control ID	ST	O					

Conformance Statement

IZ-8: BHS.1 (Batch Field Separator) field SHALL be |

IZ-9: BHS.2 (Batch Encoding Characters) field SHALL be ^~\&

BHS field definitions***BHS-1 Batch Field Separator (ST) 00081***

Definition: This field contains the separator between the segment ID and the first real field, BHS-2-batch encoding characters. As such it serves as the separator and defines the character to be used as a separator for the rest of the message. The required value is |,(ASCII 124). Note that this field is different from other fields and immediately follows the Segment name code.

BHS|

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separator

BHS-2 Batch Encoding Characters (ST) 00082

Definition: This field contains the four characters in the following order: the component separator, repetition separator, escape characters, and subcomponent separator. The required values are ^~\& (ASCII 94, 126, 92, and 38, respectively).

BTS—Batch Trailer Segment

Table 5-3 Batch Trailer Segment (BTS)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Description/Comment
1	Batch Message Count	ST	O					
2	Batch Comment	ST	O					
3	Batch Totals	NM	O					

BTS field definitions

BTS-1 - BTS-3 Not anticipated to be used for immunization messages.

Example: BTS||

ERR—Error Segment

Table 5-4 Error Segment (ERR)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Description/Comment
1	Error Code and Location	ELD	X					Not supported for Version 2.5 and above.
2	Error Location	ERL	RE	[0..1] ¹⁸	18			
3	HL7 Error Code	CWE	R	[1..1]			HL70357	
4	Severity	ID	R	[1..1]	1..1		HL70516	
5	Application Error Code	CWE	O					
6	Application Error Parameter	ST	O					
7	Diagnostic Information	TX	O					
8	User Message	TX	O					
9	Inform Person Indicator	IS	O					
10	Override Type	CWE	O					

¹⁸ This Guide does not support repeat of this field. It assumes that each error will be contained in one ERR segment. If the same error occurs more than once, there will be one ERR for each.

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Description/Comment
11	Override Reason Code	CWE	O					
12	Help Desk Contact Point	XTN	O					

Note:

If an error involves the entire message (e.g. the message is not parse-able.) then location has no meaning. In this case, ERR-2 is left empty.

ERR field definitions:

Note that ERR-1 is not supported for use in messages starting with version 2.5.

ERR-2 Error Location (ERL) 01812

Definition: Identifies the location in a message related to the identified error, warning or message. Each error will have an ERR, so no repeats are allowed on this field. This field may be left empty if location is not meaningful. For example, if it is unable to be parsed, an ERR to that effect may be returned.

ERR-3 HL7 Error Code (CWE) 01813

Definition: Identifies the HL7 (communications) error code. Refer to HL7 Table 0357 – Message Error Condition Codes for valid values.

ERR-4 Severity (ID) 01814

Definition: Identifies the severity of an application error. Knowing if something is Error, Warning or Information is intrinsic to how an application handles the content. Refer to HL7 Table 0516 - Error severity for valid values. If ERR-3 has a value of "0", ERR-4 will have a value of "I".

Example with error in PID:

ERR||PID^1^5|101^Required field missing^HL70357^^^|E|

EVN - Event Type Segment

Table 5-5 Event Segment (EVN)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
1	Event Type Code	ID	O					
2	Recorded Date/Time	TS	R	[1..1]				
3	Date/Time Planned Event	TS	O					
4	Event Reason Code	IS	O					
5	Operator ID	XCN	O					
6	Event Occurred	TS	O					
7	Event Facility	HD	O					

EVN field definitions

EVN-2 Recorded Date/Time (TS) 00100

Definition: Most systems will default to the system date/time when the transaction was entered, but they should also permit an override.

FHS—File Header Segment

Table 5-6 File Header Segment (FHS)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Description/Comment
1	File Field Separator	ST	R	[1..1]	1..1			
2	File Encoding Characters	ST	R	[1..1]	4..4			
3	File Sending Application	HD	O					
4	File Sending Facility	HD	O					
5	File Receiving Application	HD	O					
6	File Receiving Facility	HD	O					
7	File Creation Date/Time	TS	O					
8	File Security	ST	O					
9	File Name/ID	ST	O					
10	File Header Comment	ST	O					
11	File Control ID	ST	O					
12	Reference File Control ID	ST	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-10: The FSH.1 (File Field Separator) field SHALL be |

IZ-11: The FSH.2 (File Encoding Characters) field SHALL be ^~\&

FHS field definitions

FHS-1 File Field Separator (ST) 00067

Definition: This field has the same definition as the corresponding field in the MSH segment. The value shall be |.

Note that this field is different from other fields and follows the segment name code immediately.

FHS|

FHS-2 File Encoding Characters (ST) 00068

Definition: This field has the same definition as the corresponding field in the MSH segment. The value shall be ^~\&

FTS—File Trailer Segment

Table 5-7 File Trailer Segment (FTS)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
1	File Batch Count	NM	O					
2	File Trailer Comment	ST	O					

IN1—Insurance Segment (IN2, IN3)

These segments are not anticipated for use in immunization messaging. They are not described or specified further in this Guide. Local implementations may document use for local purposes in local implementation Guide.

MSA—Message Acknowledgement Segment

Table 5-8 Message Acknowledgement Segment (MSA)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Description/Comment
1	Acknowledgment Code	ID	R	[1..1]	2..2		HL70008	
2	Message Control ID	ST	R	[1..1]	1..199			
3	Text Message	ST	X					
4	Expected Sequence Number	NM	O					
5	Delayed Acknowledgment Type		O					
6	Error Condition	CE	X					

MSA field definitions

MSA-1 Acknowledgment Code (ID) 00018

Definition: This field contains an acknowledgment code, see message processing rules. Refer to HL7 Table 0008 - Acknowledgment code for valid values.

MSA-2 Message Control ID (ST) 00010

Definition: This field contains the message control ID of the message sent by the sending system. It allows the sending system to associate this response with the message for which it is intended. This field echoes the message control id sent in MSH-10 by the initiating system.

MSH—Message Header Segment

HL7 ATTRIBUTE TABLE - MSH - MESSAGE HEADER

Table 5-9 Message Header Segment (MSH)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
1	Field Separator	ST	R	[1..1]	1..1			
2	Encoding Characters	ST	R	[1..1]	4..4			
3	Sending Application	HD	RE	[0..1]			HL70361	
4	Sending Facility	HD	RE	[0..1]			HL70362	
5	Receiving Application	HD	RE	[0..1]			HL70361	
6	Receiving Facility	HD	RE	[0..1]			HL70362	
7	Date/Time Of Message	TS	R	[1..1]				
8	Security	ST	O					
9	Message Type	MSG	R	[1..1]				
10	Message Control ID	ST	R	[1..1]	1..199			
11	Processing ID	PT	R	[1..1]				
12	Version ID	VID	R	[1..1]				
13	Sequence Number	NM	O					
14	Continuation Pointer	ST	O	[0..1]				
15	Accept Acknowledgement Type	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70155	

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
16	Application Acknowledgment Type	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70155 (constrained)	
17	Country Code	ID	O					
18	Character Set	ID	O					
19	Principal Language Of Message	CE	O					
20	Alternate Character Set Handling Scheme	ID	O					
21	Message Profile Identifier	EI	C(R/O)	[0..*]		If MSH-9.1 is valued "QBP" or "RSP"		This field will be required for use whenever a Profile is being used.

Base Conformance Statements:

IZ-12: The MSH.1 (Field Separator) field SHALL be valued "|"

IZ-13: The MSH.2 (Encoding Characters) field SHALL be valued "^~\& "

IZ-14: MSH-7 (Date/time of Message) SHALL have a degree of precision that must be at least to the minute. (Format YYYYMMDDHHMM).

IZ-15: The MSH-12 (Version ID) SHALL be valued "2.5.1 "

IZ-16: The value of MSH-16 (Application Acknowledgement Type) SHALL be one of the following:

AL-always, NE-Never, ER-Error/reject only, SU successful completion only

VXU Conformance Statement:

IZ-17: MSH-9 (Message Type) SHALL contain the constant value "VXU^VO4^VXU_V04"

QBP Conformance Statement:

IZ-18: MSH-9 (Message Type) SHALL be contain the constant value "QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11"

RSP Conformance Statement:

IZ-19: MSH-9 (Message Type) SHALL be contain the constant value "RSP^K11^RSP_K11"

MSH field definitions

MSH-1 Field Separator (ST) 00001

Definition: This field contains the separator between the segment ID and the first real field, MSH-2-encoding characters. As such it serves as the separator and defines the character to be used as a separator for the rest of the message. Required value is |, (ASCII 124).

Example:

MSH|
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MSH-2 Encoding Characters (ST) 00002

Definition: This field contains the four characters in the following order: the component separator, repetition separator, escape character, and subcomponent separator. Required values are ^~\& (ASCII 94, 126, 92, and 38, respectively).

MSH-3 Sending Application (HD) 00003

Definition: This field uniquely identifies the sending application. In the case of an IIS, it will be found in the list of IIS applications in Appendix A, User-defined table 0361. This is not the product, but rather the name of the specific instance. For instance, the IIS in Georgia (GRITS) is an instance based on the Wisconsin IIS (WIR). The code for GRITS would be specific to GRITS. Additional locally

defined codes may be added to accommodate local needs. The first component shall be the name space id found in User-defined Table 0361, including local additions to this table. The second and third components are reserved for use of OIDs.

MSH-4 Sending Facility (HD) 00004

Definition: This field identifies the organization responsible for the operations of the sending application. Locally defined codes may be added to accommodate local needs. The first component shall be the name space id found in User-defined Table 0362. The second and third components are reserved for use of OIDs.

MSH-5 Receiving Application (HD) 00005

Definition: This field uniquely identifies the receiving application. In the case of an IIS, it will be found in the list of IIS applications in Appendix A, User-defined table 0361. This is not the product, but rather the name of the specific instance. For instance, the IIS in Georgia (GRITS) is an instance based on the Wisconsin IIS (WIR). The code for GRITS would be specific to GRITS. Additional locally defined codes may be added to accommodate local needs. The first component shall be the name space id found in User-defined Table 0300. The second and third components are reserved for use of OIDs.

MSH-6 Receiving Facility (HD) 00006

Definition: This field identifies the organization responsible for the operations of the receiving application. Locally defined codes may be added to accommodate local needs. The first component shall be the name space id found in User-defined Table 0362. The second and third components are reserved for use of OIDs.

MSH-7 Date/Time Of Message (TS) 00007

Definition: This field contains the date/time that the sending system created the message. The degree of precision must be at least to the minute. The time zone must be specified and will be used throughout the message as the default time zone.

MSH-9 Message Type (MSG) 00009

Definition: This field contains the message type, trigger event, and the message structure ID for the message.

Message structure component is required.

MSH-10 Message Control ID (ST) 00010

Definition: This field contains the identifier assigned by the sending application (MSH.3) that uniquely identifies a message instance. This identifier is unique within the scope of the sending facility (MSH.4), sending application (MSH.3), and the YYYYMMDD portion of message date (MSH.7). The receiving system echoes this ID back to the sending system in the Message acknowledgment segment (MSA). The content and format of the data sent in this field is the responsibility of the sender. The receiver returns exactly what was sent in response messages.

MSH-11 Processing ID (PT) 00011

Definition: This field is used to decide whether to process the message as defined in HL7 Application (level 7) Processing rules. Reference Table HL7 0103 in Appendix A. The choices are Production, Debugging and Training. In most cases, P or Production should be used.

MSH-12 Version ID (VID) 00012

Definition: This field contains the identifier of the version of the HL7 messaging standard used in constructing, interpreting, and validating the message. Only the first component need be populated.

Messages conforming to the specifications in this Guide shall indicate that the version is 2.5.1.

MSH-15 Accept Acknowledgment Type (ID) 00015

Definition: This field identifies the conditions under which accept acknowledgments are required to be returned in response to this message. Required for enhanced acknowledgment mode. Refer to HL7 Table 0155 - Accept/application acknowledgment conditions for valid values.

Accept acknowledgement indicates if the message was safely received or not. It does not indicate successful processing. Application acknowledgement indicates the outcome of processing.

MSH-16 Application Acknowledgment Type (ID) 00016

Definition: This field contains the conditions under which application acknowledgments are required to be returned in response to this message.

Required for enhanced acknowledgment mode.

Note: If MSH-15-accept acknowledgment type and MSH-16-application acknowledgment type are omitted (or are both empty), the original acknowledgment mode rules are used. This means that, unless otherwise specified, the receiving application will send acknowledgment when it has processed the message.

MSH-17 Country Code (ID) 00017

Definition: This field contains the country of origin for the message. The values to be used are those of ISO 3166,¹⁹. The ISO 3166 table has three separate forms of the country code: HL7 specifies that the 3-character (alphabetic) form be used for the country code. If this field is not valued, then assume that the code is USA.

Refer to HL7 Table 0399 – Country code for the 3-character codes as defined by ISO 3166-1.

¹⁹ Available from ISO 1 Rue de Varembe, Case Postale 56, CH 1211, Geneve, Switzerland

MSH-21 Message Profile Identifier (EI) 01598

Definition: Sites may use this field to assert adherence to, or reference, a message profile. Message profiles contain detailed explanations of grammar, syntax, and usage for a particular message or set of messages. Chapter 7 describes the query profile for requesting an immunization history. It also includes child profiles that constrain the response to the query.

This field will be required whenever a profile is being used to constrain the message.
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NK1—Next of Kin Segment

The NK1 segment contains information about the patient's other related parties. Any associated parties may be identified. Utilizing NK1-1 - set ID, multiple NK1 segments can be sent to patient accounts. That is, each subsequent NK1 increments the previous set ID by 1. So if 3 NK1 were sent in one message, the first would have a set id of 1, the second would have 2 and the third would have 3.

Table 5-10-Next of Kin Segment (NK1)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Description/Comment
1	Set ID - NK1	SI	R	[1..1]				
2	Name	XPN	R	[1..*]				The first instance is the legal name and is required.
3	Relationship	CE	R	[1..1]			HL70063	
4	Address	XAD	RE	[0..*]				The first instance shall be the primary address.
5	Phone Number	XTN	RE	[0..*]				The first instance shall be the primary phone number.
6	Business Phone Number	XTN	O					
7	Contact Role	CE	O					
8	Start Date	DT	O					
9	End Date	DT	O					
10	Next of Kin / Associated Parties Job Title	ST	O					
11	Next of Kin / Associated Parties Job Code/Class	JCC	O					
12	Next of Kin / Associated Parties Employee Number	CX	O					

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13	Organization Name - NK1	XON	O					
14	Marital Status	CE	O					
15	Administrative Sex	IS	O					
16	Date/Time of Birth	TS	O					
17	Living Dependency	IS	O					
18	Ambulatory Status	IS	O					
19	Citizenship	CE	O					
20	Primary Language	CE	O					
21	Living Arrangement	IS	O					
22	Publicity Code	CE	O					
23	Protection Indicator	ID	O					
24	Student Indicator	IS	O					
25	Religion	CE	O					
26	Mother's Maiden Name	XPN	O					
27	Nationality	CE	O					
28	Ethnic Group	CE	O					
29	Contact Reason	CE	O					

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30	Contact Person's Name	XPN	O					
31	Contact Person's Telephone Number	XTN	O					
32	Contact Person's Address	XAD	O					
33	Next of Kin/Associated Party's Identifiers	CX	O					
34	Job Status	IS	O					
35	Race	CE	O					
36	Handicap	IS	O					
37	Contact Person Social Security Number	ST	O					
38	Next of Kin Birth Place	ST	O					
39	VIP Indicator	IS	O					

NK1 field definitions

NK1-1 Set ID - NK1 (SI) 00190

Definition: This field contains the number that identifies this transaction. For the first occurrence of the segment, the sequence number shall be one, for the second occurrence, the sequence number shall be two, etc.

NK1-2 Name (XPN) 00191

Definition: This field contains the name of the next of kin or associated party. Multiple names for the same person are allowed, but the legal name must be sent in the first sequence. Refer to HL7 Table 0200 - Name Type for valid values.

NK1-3 Relationship (CE) 00192

Definition: This field contains the actual personal relationship that the next of kin/associated party has to the patient. Refer to User-defined Table 0063 - Relationship for suggested values.

NK1-4 Address (XAD) 00193

Definition: This field contains the address of the next of kin/associated party. Multiple addresses are allowed for the same person. The mailing address must be sent in the first sequence. If the mailing address is not sent, then the repeat delimiter must be sent in the first sequence.

NK1-5 Phone Number (XTN) 00194

Definition: This field contains the telephone number of the next of kin/associated party. Multiple phone numbers are allowed for the same person. The primary telephone number must be sent in the first sequence. If the primary telephone number is not sent, then the repeat delimiter must be sent in the first sequence. Refer to HL7 Table 0201 - Telecommunication Use Code and HL7 Table 0202 - Telecommunication Equipment Type for valid values.

NK1-6 Business Phone Number (XTN) 00195

Definition: This field contains the business telephone number of the next of kin/associated party. Multiple phone numbers are allowed for the same person. The primary business telephone number must be sent in the first sequence. If the primary telephone number is not sent, then the repeat delimiter must be sent in the first sequence. Refer to HL7 Table 0201 - Telecommunication Use Code and HL7 Table 0202 - Telecommunication Equipment Type for valid values.

NK1-15 Administrative Sex (IS) 00111

Definition: This is the sex of the next of kin.

NK1-16 Date/Time of Birth (TS) 00110

Definition: This is the data of birth of the next of kin.

NTE—Note Segment

The NTE segment is used for sending notes and comments. It is used in relation to OBX in the VXU and RSP. It is also used in ADT in relation to various segments.

Table 5-11 Note Segment (NTE)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
1	Set ID - NTE	SI	O					
2	Source of Comment	ID	O					
3	Comment	FT	R	[1..1]				
4	Comment Type	CE	O					

NTE field definitions**NTE-3 Comment (FT) 00098**

Definition: This field contains the comment contained in the segment.

OBX—Observation Result Segment

The observation result segment has many uses. It carries observations about the object of its parent segment. In the VXU/RSP it is associated with the RXA or immunization record. The basic format is a question (OBX-3) and an answer (OBX-5).

Table 5-12 Observation Segment (OBX)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	Comment
1	Set ID – OBX	SI	R	[1..1]	1..4			
2	Value Type	ID	R	[1..1]	2..3		HL70125 (constrained)	
3	Observation Identifier	CE	R	[1..1]			NIP003	This indicates what this observation refers to. It poses the question that is answered by OBX-5.
4	Observation Sub-ID	ST	R	[1..1]	1..20			
5	Observation Value	varies ²⁰	R	[1..1]			varies	This is the observation value and answers the question posed by OBX-3
6	Units	CE	C(R/RE)	[0..1]		If OBX-2(Value Type) is valued “NM” or “SN” Note: If there is not a unit of measure available while the Condition Predicated is true, then the value “NA” SHALL be used in CWE.1 and “HL70353” in CWE.3.		

²⁰The length of the observation field is variable, depending upon value type. See *OBX-2 value type*.

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	Comment
7	References Range	ST	O					
8	Abnormal Flags	IS	O					
9	Probability	NM	O					
10	Nature of Abnormal Test	ID	O					
11	Observation Result Status	ID	R	[1..1]	1		HL70085 (constrained)	
12	Effective Date of Reference Range Values	TS	O					
13	User Defined Access Checks	ST	O					
14	Date/Time of the Observation	TS	RE	[0..1]				
15	Producer's Reference	CE	O					
16	Responsible Observer	XCN	O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	Comment
17	Observation Method	CE	C(R/O)	[0..1]		If OBX-3.1 is "64994-7"	CDCPHINVS	Note that value set is pending. It will be a PHINVADS owned value set. 64994 "-7" is a LOINC meaning "funding program eligibility". This field is used to distinguish between eligibility that is captured at the visit level versus at the immunization event level.
18	Equipment Instance Identifier	EI	O					
19	Date/Time of the Analysis	TS	O					
20	Reserved for harmonization with V2.6		O					
21	Reserved for harmonization with V2.6		O					
22	Reserved for harmonization with V2.6		O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Sets	Comment
23	Performing Organization Name	XON	O					
24	Performing Organization Address	XAD	O					
25	Performing Organization Medical Director	XCN	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-20: The Value of OBX-1 (Set ID-OBX) SHALL be valued sequentially starting with the value “1” within a given segment group.

IZ-21: The value of OBX-2 (Value Type) SHALL be one of the following:

CE, NM, ST, DT, ID or TS

IZ-22: The value of OBX-11 (Observation Result Status) SHALL be “F”

Note: If there are multiple OBX segments that have the same OBX-3.1 or OBX-3.4 values, then this field shall be populated.

OBX field definitions

OBX-1 Set ID - OBX (SI) 00569

Definition: This field contains the sequence number. The first instance shall be set to 1 and each subsequent instance shall be the next number in sequence.

OBX-2 Value Type (ID) 00570

Definition: This field contains the format of the observation value in OBX. If the value is CE then the result must be a coded entry.

OBX-3 Observation Identifier (CE) 00571

Definition: This field contains a unique identifier for the observation. The format is that of the Coded Element (CE). Example: |64994-7^funding pgm elig^LN|.

In most systems the identifier will **point** to a master observation table that will provide other attributes of the observation that may be used by the receiving system to process the observations it receives. This may be thought of as a question that the observation answers. In the example above, the question is “what funding program was this person eligible for when this vaccine was administered” The answer in OBX-5 could be “VFC eligible - MEDICAID”.

LOINC shall be the standard coding system for this field if an appropriate LOINC code exists. Appropriate status is defined in the LOINC Manual Section 11.2 Classification of LOINC Term Status. If a local coding system is in use, a local code should also be sent to help with identification of coding issues. When no valid LOINC exists the local code may be the only code sent. When populating this field with values, this guide does not give preference to the triplet in which the standard (LOINC) code should appear.

The 2.3.1 Implementation Guide used suffixes on the first sequence in OBX-3 to group related observations. For instance, reporting a VIS publication date and VIS receipt date each added a suffix of one LOINC code to a second LOINC code when recording VIS dates for a component vaccine. (38890-0&29768-9^DATE VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT PUBLISHED^LN) This is no longer acceptable. Grouping of related observations will be accomplished using Observation sub-id (OBX-4).

OBX-4 Observation Sub-ID (ST) 00572

Definition: This field is used to group related observations by setting the value to the same number. For example, recording VIS date and VIS receipt date for a combination vaccination requires 6 OBX segments. One OBX would indicate the vaccine group. It would have a pair of OBX indicating the VIS publication date and the VIS receipt date. These would have the same OBX-4 value to allow them to be linked. The second set of three would have another OBX-4 value common to each of them.

This field may be used to link related components of an observation. Each component of the observation would share an Observation sub-id.

For example:

OBX|1|LN|^observation 1 part 1^^^^|1|...

OBX|2|LN|^ observation 1 part 2^^^^|1|...

OBX|3|DT|^a different observation^^^^|2|...

Example:

OBX|1|CE|38890-0^COMPONENT VACCINE TYPE^LN|1|45^HEP B, NOS^CVX|||||F|<CR>

OBX|2|TS|29768-9^DATE VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT PUBLISHED^LN|1|20010711|||||F|<CR>

**OBX|3|TS|29769-7^DATE VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT
PRESENTED^LN|1|19901207|||||F|<CR>**

OBX|4|CE|38890-0^COMPONENT VACCINE TYPE^LN|2|17^HIB,NOS^CVX|||||F|<CR>

**OBX|5|TS|29768-9^DATE VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT
PUBLISHED^LN|2|19981216|||||F|<CR>**

**OBX|6|TS|29769-7^DATE VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT
PRESENTED^LN|2|19901207|||||F|<CR>**

OBX-5 Observation Value (varies) 00573

Definition: This field contains the value observed by the observation producer. OBX-2-value type contains the data type for this field according to which observation value is formatted.

This field contains the value of OBX-3-observation identifier of the same segment. Depending upon the observation, the data type may be a number (e.g., dose number), a coded answer (e.g., a vaccine), or a date/time (the date/time that the VIS was given to the client/parent). An observation value is always represented as the data type specified in OBX-2-value type of the same segment. Whether numeric or short text, the answer shall be recorded in ASCII text.

Coded values

When an OBX segment contains values of CE data types, the observations are stored as a combination of codes and/or text.

OBX-6 Units (CE) 00574

Definition: This shall be the units for the value in OBX-5. The value shall be from the ISO+ list of units.

OBX-11 Observation Result Status (ID) 00579

Definition: This field contains the observation result status. The expected value is F or final.

OBX-14 Date/Time of the Observation (TS) 00582

Definition: Records the time of the observation. It is the physiologically relevant date-time or the closest approximation to that date-time of the observation.

OBX-17 Observation Method (CE)

Definition: This optional field can be used to transmit the method or procedure by which an observation was obtained when the sending system wishes to distinguish among one measurement obtained by different methods and the distinction is not implicit in the test ID.

In this Guide, it shall be used to differentiate the way that Eligibility Status was collected. The two choices are:

- Recorded in the sending system at the visit level
- Recorded in the sending system at the immunization level

See examples in Appendix B (Example VXU #2)

Application Conformance Statement:

There are a number of core data elements that are important to support a complete immunization history and the functional requirements of a Immunization Information System (IIS). Some of these utilize the OBX to carry their data. The following table lists the data elements and the usage responsibilities.

Core Data Element	Description	Observation Identifier (OBX-3)	Observation Value Set (OBX-5)	Conformance Statements
Patient Eligibility Category for Vaccine Funding Program	This value represents the funding program that should pay for a given immunization. It is determined based on characteristics of the patient/client and the type of vaccine administered.	64994-7	HL70064	IZ-23: If RXA-9.1 (Administration Note.code) is "00" then the message SHALL include an OBX segment associated with the RXA with OBX-3.1 shall equal "64994-7" . This OBX will indicate the Patient Eligibility Category for Vaccine Funding Program.
Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) document type	This value represents the vaccine type that the statement provides information about.	69764-9	cdcgi1vis	See VIS related Conformance Statements below
Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) version date	This value represents the date the presented VIS was published	29768-9		See VIS related Conformance Statements below
VIS vaccine type	This value represents the vaccine type that the statement provides information about	30956-7	CVX	
Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) delivery	This value represents the date the document was	29769-7		See VIS related Conformance Statements below

Core Data Element	Description	Observation Identifier (OBX-3)	Observation Value Set (OBX-5)	Conformance Statements
date	presented to the patient/responsible person.			

NOTE: There are three things that need to be recorded for documenting VIS:

1. Date VIS was shared with patient or parent
2. Vaccine that the VIS refers to
3. Edition Date of VIS

There are 2 ways that this data is captured. First, it may be captured as vaccine type, Edition/Version Date and presentation date. Recently, VIS has started to be bar coded with a 3-d bar code using a Global Document Type Identifier (GDTI). This bar code indicates the specific document type that has been presented and the edition date may be inferred from the bar code.

VIS documentation is required for all patients, but only for specific vaccines. The current list includes the following types of vaccine:

- diphtheria,
- tetanus,
- pertussis,
- measles,
- mumps,
- rubella,
- polio,
- hepatitis A,
- hepatitis B,
- Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib),
- influenza,

- pneumococcal conjugate,
- meningococcal,
- rotavirus,
- human papillomavirus (HPV),
- varicella (chickenpox) vaccine

Note that the most current list will be found on PHIN VADS. See table [PHVS_VISBarcodes_IIS](#) in Appendix A below.

See table [Value Set Code: PHVS_VISBarcodes_IIS](#) in Appendix A.

VIS Conformance Statements:

IZ-24: If RXA-9.1 is valued “00” and RXA-5.1 is valued with a CVX code from table [PHVS_VISVaccines_IIS](#) (See Appendix A) then there SHALL be:

- an OBX segment with OBX-3.1 valued “64764-9” (bar coded) **and** one OBX with OBX-3.1 valued “29769-7” (presentation /delivery date) associated. Both OBX shall have the same value in OBX-4

OR

- an OBX segment with OBX-3.1 valued “30956-7” (vaccine type) and an OBX segment with OBX-3.1 valued “29768-9” (version date) and one OBX with OBX-3.1 valued “29769-7” (presentation /delivery date) associated. Both OBX shall have the same value in OBX-4

ORC—Order Request Segment

The Common Order segment (ORC) is used to transmit fields that are common to all orders (all types of services that are requested). While not all immunizations recorded in an immunization message are able to be associated with an order, each RXA must be associated with one ORC, based on HL7 2.5.1 standard.

Table 5-13 Common Order Segment (ORC)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
1	Order Control	ID	R	[1..1]	2		HL70119 (constrained)	
2	Placer Order Number	EI	RE	[0..1]				See Guidance below.
3	Filler Order Number	EI	R	[1..1]				See Guidance below.
4	Placer Group Number	EI	O					
5	Order Status	ID	O					
6	Response Flag	ID	O					
7	Quantity/Timing	TQ	X					
8	Parent	EIP	O					
9	Date/Time of Transaction	TS	O					
10	Entered By	XCN	RE	[0..1]				This is the person that entered this immunization record into the system.
11	Verified By	XCN	O					
12	Ordering Provider	XCN	RE	[0..1]				This shall be the provider ordering the immunization. It is expected to be empty if the immunization record is transcribed from a historical record.

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
13	Enterer's Location	PL	O					
14	Call Back Phone Number	XTN	O					
15	Order Effective Date/Time	TS	O					
16	Order Control Code Reason	CE	O					
17	Entering Organization	CE	O					This is the provider organization that entered this record/order.
18	Entering Device	CE	O					
19	Action By	XCN	O					
20	Advanced Beneficiary Notice Code	CE	O					
21	Ordering Facility Name	XON	O					
22	Ordering Facility Address	XAD	O					
23	Ordering Facility	XTN	O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
	Phone Number							
24	Ordering Provider Address	XAD	O					
25	Order Status Modifier	CWE	O					
26	Advanced Beneficiary Notice Override Reason	CWE	O					
27	Filler's Expected Availability Date/Time	TS	O					
28	Confidentiality Code	CWE	O					
29	Order Type	CWE	O					
30	Enterer Authorization Mode	CNE	O					
31	Parent Universal Service Identifier	CWE	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-25: ORC.1 (Order Control) SHALL contain the value "RE "

ORC field definitions

ORC-1 Order Control (ID) 00215

Definition: Determines the function of the order segment.

The value for VXU and RSP shall be RE.

Placer Order Number (ORC-2) and Filler Order Number (ORC-3) are unique identifiers from the system where an order was placed and where the order was filled. They were originally designed for managing lab orders. These fields have a usage status of Conditional in Version 2.5.1. The condition for each is that they must be present in either the OBR or ORC of a message. There has been confusion about usage for these fields. The Orders and Observations workgroup has addressed this confusion. In the context that ORC will be used in Immunization messaging either ORC-2 or ORC-3 must be populated. They may both be populated.

In the immunization context, it is not common to have one system placing and one filling an immunization order. In some cases neither is known. The use case that these have supported is to allow a system that sent an immunization record to another system to identify an immunization that needs to be changed using the Filler Order Number it had sent.

This Guide specifies that Placer Order Number is RE (required, but may be empty). The Filler Order Number SHALL be the unique immunization id of the sending system.

ORC-2 Placer Order Number (EI) 00216

The placer order number is used to uniquely identify this order among all orders sent by a provider organization.

ORC-2 is a system identifier assigned by the placer software application. The Placer Order Number and the Filler Order Number are essentially foreign keys exchanged between applications for uniquely identifying orders and the associated results across applications.

In the case where the ordering provider organization is not known, the sending system may leave this field empty.

ORC-3 Filler Order Number (EI) 00217

The filler order number is used to uniquely identify this order among all orders sent by a provider organization that filled the order.

This shall be the unique identifier of the sending system in a given transaction. In the case where system A sends the record to system B and system B then forwards to system C, system B will send its' own unique identifier.

Use of this foreign key will allow the initiating system to accurately identify the previously sent immunization record, facilitating update or deletion of that record.

In the case where a historic immunization is being recorded (i.e. from an immunization card), the sending system SHALL assign an identifier as if it were an immunization administered by a provider associated with the provider organization owning the sending system.

In the case where an RXA is conveying information about an immunization which was not given (e.g. refusal) the filler order number shall be 9999.

Note that the receiving system will need to store this value in addition to it's own internal id in order for this to be used.

ORC-10 Entered By (XCN) 00224

Definition: This identifies the individual that entered this particular order. It may be used in conjunction with an RXA to indicate who recorded a particular immunization.

ORC-12 Ordering Provider (XCN) 00226

Definition: This field contains the identity of the person who is responsible for creating the request (i.e., ordering physician). In the case where this segment is associated with a historic immunization record and the ordering provider is not known, then this field should not be populated.

ORC-17 Entering Organization (CE) 00231

Definition: This field identifies the organization that the enterer belonged to at the time he/she enters/maintains the order, such as medical group or department. The person who entered the request is defined in ORC-10 -entered by.

ORC-21 Ordering Facility Name (XON) 01311

Definition: This field contains the name of the facility placing the order. It is the organization sub-unit that ordered the immunization. (i.e. the clinic)

ORC-22 Ordering Facility Address (XAD) 01312

Definition: This field contains the address of the facility requesting the order.

ORC-23 Ordering Facility Phone Number (XTN) 01312

Definition: This field contains the phone number of the facility requesting the order.

ORC-24 Ordering Provider Address (XAD) 01314

Definition: This field contains the address of the care provider requesting the order.

ORC-28 Confidentiality Code (CWE) 00615

This field allows a system to indicate if special privacy rules apply to the RXA that is associated with this ORC. For instance, if a state had special rules about who may see records for HPV vaccinations, then this field could convey that. The recommended value to use in this case is R for restricted.

If this field is populated, it indicates the active choice of the patient or responsible person. In other words, if the value indicates that the information must be protected, the person has stated that it must be protected. An empty field indicates that the client has not actively specified the way they want this data to be handled.

Local implementation guides should describe the local usage of this field and value.

PD1—Patient Demographic Segment

The Patient Demographic Segment contains patient demographic information that may change from time to time. There are three primary uses for in Immunization Messages. These include indicating whether the person wants his/her data protected, whether the person wants to receive recall/reminder notices and the person's current status in the registry.

Table 5-14-Patient Demographic Segment (PD1)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
1	Living Dependency	IS	O					
2	Living Arrangement	IS	O					
3	Patient Primary Facility	XON	O					
4	Patient Primary Care Provider Name & ID No.	XCN	O					
5	Student Indicator	IS	O					
6	Handicap	IS	O					
7	Living Will Code	IS	O					
8	Organ Donor Code	IS	O					
9	Separate Bill	ID	O					
10	Duplicate Patient	CX	O					
11	Publicity Code	CE	RE	[0..1]			HL70215	
12	Protection Indicator	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70136	
13	Protection Indicator	DT	C(RE/X)	[0..1]		If PD1-12 (Protection Indicator) is valued		

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
	Effective Date							
14	Place of Worship	XON	O					
15	Advance Directive Code	CE	O					
16	Immunization Registry Status	IS	RE	[0..1]			HL70441	
17	Immunization Registry Status Effective Date	DT	C(RE/X)	[0..1]		If the PD1-16 (Registry Status) field is valued.		
18	Publicity Code Effective Date	DT	C(RE/X)	[0..1]		If the PD1-11 (Publicity Code) field is valued.		
19	Military Branch	IS	O					
20	Military Rank/Grade	IS	O					
21	Military Status	IS	O					

PD1 field definitions

PD1-3 Patient Primary Facility (XON) 00756

Definition: This field contains the name and identifier that specifies the “primary care” healthcare facility selected by the patient. Use may be specified locally.

PD1-4 Patient Primary Care Provider Name & ID No. (XCN) 00757

Definition: Identifier for primary care provider. Use may be specified locally.

PD1-11 Publicity Code (CE) 00743

Definition: This field contains a user-defined code indicating what level of publicity is allowed (e.g., No Publicity, Family Only) for the patient. In the context of immunization messages, this refers to how a person wishes to be contacted in a reminder or recall situation. Refer to User-defined Table 0215 - Publicity Code for suggested values.

PD1-12 Protection Indicator (ID) 00744

Definition: This field identifies whether a person's information may be shared with others²¹. Specific protection policies are a local consideration (opt in or opt out, for instance). This field conveys the current state in the sending system.

The protection state must be actively determined by the clinician. If it is not actively determined, then the protection indicator shall be empty.

There are 3 states:

Protection State	Code
Yes, protect the data. Client (or guardian) has indicated that the information shall be protected. (Do not share data)	Y
No, it is not necessary to protect data from other clinicians. Client (or guardian) has indicated that the information does not need to be protected. (Sharing is OK)	N

²¹ Local policies determine how data are protected. In general, it indicates who may view the client's data. It may be as narrow as just the provider that entered the information.

No determination has been made regarding client's (or guardian's) wishes regarding information sharing	PD1-12 is empty.
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Notes on use of Y for Protection Indicator in 2.5.1 Guide vs. earlier Guides.

Note that the previous Implementation Guide stated that Y meant that a person's information could be shared. This was an incorrect interpretation of the use of this field. The meaning now aligns with the definition of HL7. That is, Y means data must be protected. Existing systems that use the old meaning will need to determine how they will send the correct value in a 2.5.1 message.

Note that the value sent in a message that is based on the 2.3.1 or 2.4 version of the HL7 standard shall continue to follow the old guidance. That is, Y means sharing is allowed and N means sharing is not allowed.

Note on Null and Empty in HL7

See notes on null and empty fields in Chapter 3.

PD1-13 Protection Indicator Effective Date (DT) 01566

Definition: This field indicates the effective date for PD1-12 - Protection Indicator.

PD1-16 Immunization Registry Status (IS) 01569

Definition: This field identifies the current status of the patient in relation to the sending provider organization.. Refer to User-defined Table 0441 - Immunization Registry Status for suggested values.

This field captures whether the sending provider organization considers this an active patient. There are several classes of responsibility. The status may be different between the sending and receiving systems. For instance, a person may no longer be active with a provider organization, but may still be active in the public health jurisdiction, which has the Immunization Information System (IIS). In this case the provider organization would indicate that the person was inactive in their system using this field in a message from them. The IIS would indicate that person was active in a message from the IIS.

PD1-17 Immunization Registry Status Effective Date (DT) 01570

Definition: This field indicates the effective date for the registry status reported in PD1-16 - Immunization Registry Status.

PD1-18 Publicity Code Effective Date (DT) 01571

Definition: This is the effective date for PD1-11 - Publicity Code.

PID—Patient Identifier Segment

The PID is used by all applications as the primary means of communicating patient identification information. This segment contains permanent patient identifying and demographic information that, for the most part, is not likely to change frequently.

Table 5-15-Patient Identifier Segment (PID)

SEQ	Element Name	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Constraint
1	Set ID - PID	SI	RE	[0..1]				
2	Patient ID	CX	X					
3	Patient Identifier List	CX	R	[1..*]				
4	Alternate Patient ID - 00106	CX	X					
5	Patient Name	XPN	R	[1..*]				The first repetition shall contain the legal name. Multiple given names or initials are separated by spaces.
6	Mother's Maiden Name	XPN	RE	[0..1]				
7	Date/Time of Birth	TS	R	[1..1]				
8	Administrative Sex	IS	RE	[0..1]			HL70001	
9	Patient Alias	XPN	X					
10	Race	CE	RE	[0..*]			HL70005	
11	Patient Address	XAD	RE	[0..*]				The first repetition should be the primary address.

SEQ	Element Name	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Constraint
12	County Code	IS	X					County belongs in address field.
13	Phone Number - Home	XTN	RE	[0..*]				The first instance shall be the primary phone number. Only one item is allowed per repetition.
14	Phone Number - Business	XTN	O					
15	Primary Language	CE	O					
16	Marital Status	CE	O					
17	Religion	CE	O					
18	Patient Account Number	CX	O					
19	SSN Number - Patient	ST	X					
20	Driver's License Number - Patient	DLN	X					
21	Mother's Identifier	CX	X					

SEQ	Element Name	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Constraint
22	Ethnic Group	CE	RE	[0..1]			HL70189	
23	Birth Place	ST	O					
24	Multiple Birth Indicator	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70136	The acceptable values are Y and N. If the status is undetermined, then field shall be empty.
25	Birth Order	NM	C(RE/O)	[0..1]	1..2	If PID-24 (Multiple Birth Indicator) is valued "Y "		This field contains a number indicating the person's birth order, with 1 for the first child born and 2 for the second.
26	Citizenship	CE	O					
27	Veterans Military Status	CE	O					
28	Nationality	CE	O					
29	Patient Death Date and Time	TS	C(RE/X)	[0..1]		If PID-30 (patient death date) is valued "Y"		
30	Patient Death Indicator	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70136	
31	Identity Unknown	ID	O					

SEQ	Element Name	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Constraint
	Indicator							
32	Identity Reliability Code	IS	O					
33	Last Update Date/Time	TS	O					
34	Last Update Facility	HD	O					
35	Species Code	CE	O					
36	Breed Code	CE	O					
37	Strain	ST	O					
38	Production Class Code	CE	O					
39	Tribal Citizenship	CW E	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-26: PID-7 (birth date) SHALL be accurate at least to the day. (YYYYMMDD)

PID field definitions***PID-1 Set ID - PID (SI) 00104***

Definition: This field contains the number that identifies this transaction. For the first occurrence of the segment, the sequence number shall be one, for the second occurrence, the sequence number shall be two, etc.

PID-3 Patient Identifier List (CX) 00106

Definition: This field contains the list of identifiers (one or more) used by the healthcare facility to uniquely identify a patient (e.g., medical record number, billing number, birth registry, national unique individual identifier, etc.).

PID-5 Patient Name (XPN) 00108

Definition: This field contains the names of the patient. The primary or legal name of the patient is reported first. Therefore, the name type code in this field should be "L - Legal". Refer to HL7 Table 0200 - Name Type for valid values.

PID-6 Mother's Maiden Name (XPN) 00109

Definition: This field contains the family name under which the mother was born (i.e., before marriage). It is used to distinguish between patients with the same last name.

PID-7 Date/Time of Birth (TS) 00110

Definition: This field contains the patient's date and time of birth.

PID-8 Administrative Sex (IS) 00111

Definition: This field contains the patient's sex. Refer to User-defined Table 0001 - Administrative Sex for suggested values.

PID-10 Race (CE) 00113

Definition: This field refers to the patient's race. Refer to User-defined Table 0005 - Race for suggested values. The second triplet of the CE data type for race (alternate identifier, alternate text, and name of alternate coding system) is reserved for governmentally assigned codes.

PID-11 Patient Address (XAD) 00114

Definition: This field contains the mailing address of the patient. Address type codes are defined by HL7 Table 0190 - Address Type. Multiple addresses for the same person may be sent in the following sequence: The primary mailing address must be sent first in the sequence (for backward compatibility); if the mailing address is not sent, then a repeat delimiter must be sent in the first sequence.

This field is used for any type of address that is meaningfully associated with the client/patient. For instance Birth State is the state of the address of the birthing location, address type = BDL.

A person's address may be sent in this field or in the NK1 segment with a relationship code indicating Self. Local implementations should clarify how these addresses will be handled.

PID-13 Phone Number - Home (XTN) 00116

Definition: This field contains the patient's personal phone numbers. All personal phone numbers for the patient are sent in the following sequence. The first sequence is considered the primary number (for backward compatibility). If the primary number is not sent, then a repeat delimiter is sent in the first sequence. Each type of telecommunication shall be in its' own repetition. For example, if a person has a phone number and an email address, they shall each have a repetition. Refer to HL7 Table 0201 - Telecommunication Use Code and HL7 Table 0202 - Telecommunication Equipment Type for valid values.

PID-14 Phone Number - Business (XTN) 00117

Definition: This field contains the patient's business telephone numbers. All business numbers for the patient are sent in the following sequence. The first sequence is considered the patient's primary business phone number (for backward compatibility). If the primary business phone number is not sent, then a repeat delimiter must be sent in the first sequence. Refer to HL7 Table 0201 - Telecommunication Use Code and HL7 Table 0202 - Telecommunication Equipment Type for valid values.

PID-22 Ethnic Group (CE) 00125

Definition: This field further defines the patient's ancestry. Refer to User-defined Table 0189 - Ethnic Group. The second triplet of the CE data type for ethnic group (alternate identifier, alternate text, and name of alternate coding system) is reserved for governmentally assigned codes.

PID-24 Multiple Birth Indicator (ID) 00127

Definition: This field indicates whether the patient was part of a multiple birth. Refer to HL7 Table 0136 - Yes/No Indicator for valid values.

Y the patient was part of a multiple birth

N the patient was a single birth

Empty field multiple birth status is undetermined.

PID-25 Birth Order (NM) 00128

Definition: When a patient was part of a multiple birth, a value (number) indicating the patient's birth order is entered in this field. If PID-24 is populated, then this field should be populated.

PID-29 Patient Death Date and Time (TS) 00740

Definition: This field contains the date and time at which the patient death occurred.

PID-30 Patient Death Indicator (ID) 00741

Definition: This field indicates whether the patient is deceased. Refer to HL7 Table 0136 - Yes/no Indicator for valid values.

Y the patient is deceased
N the patient is not deceased
Empty status is undetermined

PV1—Patient Visit Segment

The PV1 segment is used to convey visit specific information. The primary use in immunization messages in previous releases was to carry information about the client's eligibility status. This is now recorded at the immunization event (dose administered) level. Use of this segment for the purpose of reporting client eligibility for a funding program at the visit level is not supported in the Implementation Guide.

QAK—Query Acknowledgement Segment

Table 5-16-Query Acknowledgement Segment

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Comment
1	Query Tag	ST	R	[1..1]	32			
2	Query Response Status	ID	RE	[0..1]				
3	Message Query Name	CE	R	[1..1]				
4	Hit Count	NM	O	[0..1]				
5	This payload	NM	O	[0..1]				
6	Hits remaining	NM	O	[0..1]				

QAK field definitions**QAK-1 Query Tag (ST) 00696**

Definition: This field contains the value sent in QPD-2 (query tag) by the initiating system, and will be used to match response messages to the originating query. The responding system is required to echo it back as the first field in the query acknowledgement segment(QAK).

QAK-2 Query Response Status (ID) 00708

Definition: This field allows the responding system to return a precise response status. It is especially useful in the case where no data is found that matches the query parameters, but where there is also no error. It is defined with HL7 Table 0208 - Query Response Status.

QAK-3 Message Query Name (CE) 01375

Definition: This field contains the name of the query. This shall mirror the QPD-1 (Message Query Name) found in the query message that is being responded to.

QPD – Query Parameter Definition

The QPD segment defines the parameters of the query.

Table 5-17-Query Parameter Definition (QPD)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
1	Message Query Name	CE	R	[1..1]			HL70471	
2	Query Tag	ST	R		32			Generated by the initiating system.
3-n	User Parameters (in successive fields)	varies	R					The specification of this sequence is found in the profile specific to the use case.

QPD field definitions

QPD-1 Message Query Name (CE) 01375

Definition: This field contains the name of the query. These names are assigned by the function-specific chapters of this specification. It is one to one with the conformance statement for this query name, and it is in fact an identifier for that conformance statement.

QPD-2 Query Tag (ST) 00696

Definition: This field must be valued by the initiating system to identify the query, and may be used to match response messages to the originating query.

The responding system is required to echo it back as the first field in the query acknowledgement segment (QAK).

This field differs from *MSA-2-Message control ID* in that its value remains constant for each message (i.e. all continuation messages) associated with the query, whereas *MSA-2-Message control ID* may vary with each continuation message, since it is associated with each individual message, not the query as a whole.

QPD-3 User Parameters (Varies) 01435

Definition: These successive parameter fields hold the values that the Client passes to the Server.

The client data is presented as a sequence of HL7 fields. Beginning at *QPD-3-User parameters*, the remaining fields of the QPD segment carry user parameter data. Each QPD user parameter field corresponds to one parameter defined in the Conformance Statement, where each name, type, optionality, and repetition of each parameter has been specified. While these parameters are understood to be usually “and-ed” together, the user must inspect the required Conformance Statement to properly understand each. Except in the QSC variant, the parameter names do not need to be stated in the query; they are understood to be positional based on the Conformance Statement.

Each parameter field may be specified in the Conformance Statement to be of any single data type, including the complex QIP and QSC types. Parameter fields in the QPD segment appear in the same order as in the Conformance Statement.

RCP – Response Control Parameter Segment

The RCP segment is used to restrict the amount of data that should be returned in response to query. It lists the segments to be returned.

Table 5-18-Response Control Parameter

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value set	Comments
1	Query Priority	ID	RE	[0..1]			HL70091	
2	Quantity Limited Request	CQ	RE	[0..1]			HL70126	This field may contain a maximum number of records that may be returned. The first component contains the count and the second contains "RD" for records.
3	Response Modality	CE	O					
4	Execution and Delivery Time	TS	O					
5	Modify Indicator	ID	O					
6	Sort-by Field	SRT	O					
7	Segment group inclusion	ID	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-27: Constrain RCP-1 (Query Priority) to empty or "I". Immediate priority is expected.

RCP field definitions

RCP-1 Query Priority (ID) 00027

Definition: This field contains the time frame in which the response is expected. Refer to HL7 Table 0091 - Query priority for valid values. Table values and subsequent fields specify time frames for response. Only I for immediate shall be used for this field.

RCP-2 Quantity Limited Request (CQ) 00031

Definition: This field contains the maximum length of the response that can be accepted by the requesting system. Valid entries are numerical values (in the first component) given in the units specified in the second component. Default is LI (lines). The expected type is records, so the second component is constrained to RD.

Note that this field is the maximum total records to return. The Version 2.5.1 standard indicates the maximum number to return in each batch. No batching of responses is permitted in this Guide.

RCP-3 Response Modality (CE) 01440

Definition: This field specifies the timing and grouping of the response message(s). Refer to HL7 Table 0394 – Response modality for valid values.

RCP-7 Segment Group Inclusion (ID) 01594

Definition: Specifies those optional segment groups which are to be included in the response. Refer to HL7 Table 0391—Segment group for values for Segment Group. This is a repeating field, to accommodate inclusion of multiple segment groups. The default for this field, not present, means that all relevant groups are included.

Note: Although the codes for segment groups are taken from HL7 Table 0391, the exact segment-level definition of a segment group (e.g. PIDG) is given only in the conformance statement of the query in which this segment group appears.

RXA-- Pharmacy/Treatment Administration Segment

The RXA segment carries pharmacy administration data. It is a child of an ORC segment, which is a repeating segment in the RSP and VXU messages. Because ORC are allowed to repeat an unlimited number of vaccinations may be included in a message. Each RXA must be preceded by an ORC.²²

There is a change requiring an ORC conflicts with the Version 2.3.1 implementation Guide. In that, ORC is optional and in fact rarely included in a VXU.

²² The HL7 Version 2.5.1 document clearly indicates that any RXA must be associated with an ORC. In the case of immunization, each immunization will have its own ORC.

Table 5-19 Pharmacy/Treatment Administration (RXA)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
1	Give Sub-ID Counter	NM	R	[1..1]	4			
2	Administration Sub-ID Counter	NM	R	[1..1]	4			
3	Date/Time Start of Administration	TS	R	[1..1]				This segment may be used in cases where a vaccine has not been administered. For instance a patient may refuse a vaccination or the sending system may be forecasting a next dose due. See notes below for guidance on the relevant date to include here.
4	Date/Time End of Administration	TS	RE	[0..1]				
5	Administered Code	CE	R	[1..1]			CVX	CVX code is required for Meaningful Use. Other codes may also be used but will not be part of conformance testing.
6	Administered Amount	NM	R	[1..1]	20			
7	Administered Units	CE	C(R/O)	[0..1]		If Administered Amount is not valued "999"	UCUM	
8	Administered Dosage Form	CE	O	[0..1]				

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
9	Administration Notes	varies	C(R/O)	[1..*]		If RXA-20 is valued "CP" or "PA"	NIP 0001	<p>If this field is used for a notes only entry, then the data type shall be CE_TX otherwise the data type shall be CE.</p> <p>The primary use of this field it to convey if this immunization record is based on a historical record or was given by the provider recording the immunization. All systems should be able to support this use. Other uses of this field are permitted, but need to be specified locally.</p>
10	Administering Provider	XCN	RE	[0..1]				This is the person who gave the administration or the vaccinator. It is not the ordering clinician.
11	Administered-at Location	LA2	RE	[0..1]				This is the clinic/site where the vaccine was administered.
12	Administered Per (Time Unit)	ST	O					
13	Administered Strength	NM	O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
14	Administered Strength Units	CE	O					
15	Substance Lot Number	ST	C(R/O)	[0..*]		If the value in RXA-9.1 (Administration Notes) is valued "00"		Note that "00" is double zero.
16	Substance Expiration Date	TS	C(RE/O)	[0..1]		If the RXA-15 (lot number) is valued		
17	Substance Manufacturer Name	CE	C(R/O)	[0..*]		If the value in RXA-9.1 (Administration Notes) is valued "00",	MVX	
18	Substance/Treatment Refusal Reason	CE	C(R/X)	[0..*]		If the RXA-20 (Completion Status) is valued "RE "	NIP002	
19	Indication	CE	O					
20	Completion Status	ID	RE	[0..1]	2		HL70322	
21	Action Code - RXA	ID	RE	[0..1]	2		HL70323	
22	System Entry Date/Time	TS	O					
23	Administered Drug Strength Volume	NM	O					
24	Administered Drug Strength Volume Units	CWE	O					

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Comment
25	Administered Barcode Identifier	CWE	O					
26	Pharmacy Order Type	ID	O					

Conformance Statement:

IZ-28: RXA-1 (Give Sub-id counter)) SHALL be valued “0” Note that “0” is zero.

IZ-29: RXA-2 (admin Sub-id) SHALL be valued “1 “

IZ-30: If RXA-4 (Date time of admin end) is populated, then it SHALL be the same as Start time (RXA-3)

IZ-31: If RXA-20 is valued “CP” or “PA” then RXA-9.1 (admin notes) SHALL be valued one of the codes listed in NIP001 in the first repetition of this field.

IZ-32: If the RXA-18 (Refusal Reason) is populated, this field SHALL be valued to “RE”.

NOTE: If RXA-6 (administered amount) is not known or meaningful, use “999.”

RXA field definitions

RXA-1 Give Sub-ID Counter (NM) 00342

Definition: This field is used to match an RXA and RXG. Not a function under IIS.

Constrain to 0 (zero).

RXA-2 Administration Sub-ID Counter (NM) 00344

Definition: This field is used to track multiple RXA under an ORC. Since each ORC has only one RXA in immunization messages, constrain to 1. This should not be used for indicating dose number, which belongs in an OBX.

Note that the previous Implementation Guide suggested that this be used for indicating dose number. This use is no longer supported.
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RXA-3 Date/Time Start of Administration (TS) 00345

Definition: The date this vaccination occurred. In the case of refusal or deferral, this is the date that the refusal or deferral was recorded. In the case of a forecast dose, this is the date the forecast was made. In the case of a refusal, it is the date the refusal was noted.

RXA-4 Date/Time End of Administration (If Applies) (TS) 00346

Definition: In the context of immunization, this is equivalent to the Start date/time. If populated it should be = RXA-3. If empty, the date/time of *RXA-3-Date/Time Start of Administration* is assumed.

RXA-5 Administered Code (CE) 00347

Definition: This field identifies the medical substance administered. If the substance administered is a vaccine, CVX codes should be used in the first triplet to code this field (CVX Table - Codes for vaccines administered). The second set of three components could be used to represent the same vaccine using a different coding system, such as Current Procedural Terminology (CPT). CVX code is the strongly preferred code system.

RXA-6 Administered Amount (NM) 00348

Definition: This field records the amount of pharmaceutical administered. The units are expressed in the next field, RXA-7. Registries that do not collect the administered amount should record the value “999” in this field.

RXA-7 Administered units (CE) 00349

Definition: This field is conditional because it is required if the administered amount code does not imply units. This field must be in simple units that reflect the actual quantity of the substance administered. It does not include compound units. This field is not required if the previous field is populated with 999.

RXA-9 Administration Notes (CE) 00351

Definition: This field is used to indicate whether this immunization record is based on a historical record or was given by the reporting provider. It should contain the information source (see *NIP-defined Table 0001 - Immunization Information*)

Source). The first component shall contain the code, the second the free text and the third shall contain the name of the code system. (NIP001) Sending systems should be able to send this information. Receiving systems should be able to accept this information.

This field may be used for other notes if specified locally. The first repetition shall be the information source. If other notes are sent when information source is not populated, then the first repetition shall be empty.

Other notes may include text only in component 2 of the repeat. Acceptance of text only is by local agreement only.

Information source is an NVAC core data element. It speaks to the reliability of the immunization record. IIS rely on this information.

RXA-10 Administering Provider (XCN) 00352

Definition: This field is intended to contain the name and provider ID of the person physically administering the pharmaceutical.

Note that previous Implementation Guide (2.3.1) overloaded this field by using local codes to indicate administering provider, ordering provider and recording provider. This is a misuse of this field and not supported in this Guide. The ordering and entering providers are indicated in the associated ORC segment.

RXA-11 Administered-at Location (LA2) 00353

Definition: The name and address of the facility that administered the immunization. Note that the components used are:

Component 4: The facility name/identifier.

Subcomponent 1: identifier²³

Subcomponent 2: Universal ID This shall be an OID, if populated. Note that this should not be a local code, but rather a universal id code.

Subcomponent 3: Universal ID type (specify which universal id type)

²³ This value should uniquely identify a specific facility. Systems may choose to publish a table with local values.

Note that if subcomponent 1 is populated, 2 and 3 should be empty. If subcomponent 2 is populated with an OID, subcomponent 3 must be populated with ISO.

Component 9-15: Facility address.

Components not specifically mentioned here are not expected in immunization messages.

RXA-15 Substance Lot Number (ST) 01129

Definition: This field contains the lot number of the medical substance administered. It may remain empty if the dose is from a historical record.

Note: The lot number is the number printed on the label attached to the container holding the substance and on the packaging which houses the container. If two lot numbers are associated with a product that is a combination of different components, they may be included in this field. The first repetition should be the vaccine.

RXA-16 Substance Expiration Date (TS) 01130

Definition: This field contains the expiration date of the medical substance administered. It may remain empty if the dose is from a historical record.

Note: Vaccine expiration date does not always have a "day" component; therefore, such a date may be transmitted as YYYYMM.

RXA-17 Substance Manufacturer Name (CE) 01131

Definition: This field contains the manufacturer of the medical substance administered.

Note: For vaccines, code system MVX should be used to code this field.

RXA-18 Substance/Treatment Refusal Reason (CE) 01136

Definition: This field contains the reason the patient refused the medical substance/treatment. Any entry in the field indicates that the patient did not take the substance. If this field is populated RXA-20, Completion Status shall be populated with RE.

RXA-20 Completion Status (ID) 01223

This field indicates if the dose was successfully given. It must be populated with RE if RXA-18 is populated with NA. If a dose was not completely administered or if the dose were not potent this field may be used to label the immunization. If this RXA has a CVX of 998 (no vaccine administered) then this shall be populated with NA.

RXA-21 Action Code – RXA (ID) 01224

This field indicates the action expected by the sending system. It can facilitate update or deletion of immunization records. This field has a usage of RE. If it is left empty, then receiving systems should assume that the action code is A.

ORC-3, Placer order number, may be used to link to a specific immunization if the system receiving the request has recorded this from the initial order. Local implementers should specify its' use in a local implementation guide.

The action code U (Update system) is used to indicate to a subordinate receiver that a previously sent immunization should be changed. Most IIS have specific criteria for determining whether to add or update an immunization that does not rely directly on this field. For this reason it is common practice to indicate action as Add even if this vaccination has been previously reported. It is important to not assume that Updates will be or need to be specifically indicated.

RXA-22 System Entry Date/Time (TS) 01225

This field records the date/time that this record was created in the originating system. Local implementations should specify its' use.

RXR-- Pharmacy/Treatment Route Segment

The Pharmacy/Treatment Route segment contains the alternative combination of route, site, administration device, and administration method that are prescribed as they apply to a particular order.

Table 5-20 Pharmacy/Treatment Route (RXR)

SEQ	ELEMENT NAME	Data Type	Usage	Cardinality	LEN	Conditional Predicate	Value Set	Constraint
1	Route	CE	R	[1..1]			HL70162	
2	Administration Site	CWE	RE	[0..1]			HL70163	
3	Administration Device	CE	O					
4	Administration Method	CWE	O					
5	Routing Instruction	CE	O					
6	Administration Site Modifier	CWE	O					

RXR field definitions***RXR-1 Route (CE) 00309***

Definition: This field is the route of administration.

Refer to User-Defined Table 0162 - Route Of Administration for valid values.

This will change, based on HITSP. They specify use of FDA list. Systems should be prepared to accept either FDA or HL7 codes.

RXR-2 Administration Site (CWE) 00310

Definition: This field contains the site of the administration route.

6. Messages for Transmitting Immunization Information

Introduction

This chapter describes each of the messages used to accomplish the use cases described in previous chapters. These messages are built from the segments described in Chapter 5, Segments and Message Details. The Segments are built using the Data Types specified in Chapter 4. Readers are referred to these chapters for specifics on these components. Issues related to segments and fields, which are message specific will be addressed in this chapter.

Table 6-1-Supported Messages

Message	Purpose	Related Messages	Associated Profiles
VXU	Send Immunization History	ACK	
QBP	Request Immunization History and Request Person Id	RSP	Z34^CDC
RSP	Respond to Request for Immunization Record and Respond to Request for Person Id	QBP	Z31^CDC Z32^CDC
ACK	Send Message Acknowledgement	VXU, ADT, QBP	
ADT	Send Person Demographic Data	ACK	

Send Immunization History--VXU

Systems may send unsolicited immunization records using a VXU. This may be a record that is new to the receiving system or may be an update to an existing record. The following table lists the segments that are part of a VXU. Some of the optional segments are not anticipated to be used. See Appendix B for detailed activity diagrams and example messages that illustrate the processing of this message.

Table 6-2--VXU Segment Usage

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	Every message begins with an MSH.
[[SFT]]	[0..*]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
PID	[1..1]	R	Every VXU has one PID segment.

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
PD1	[0..1]	RE	Every PID segment in VXU may have one or less PD1 segment
NK1	[0..*]	RE	The PID segment in a VXU may have zero or more NK1 segments.
PV1	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
PV2	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
GT1	[0..*]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
Begin Insurance group	[0..*]	O	The insurance group may repeat.
IN1	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
IN2	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
IN3	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
End Insurance group			
Begin Order group	[0..*]		Each VXU may have zero or more Order groups
ORC	[1..1]	R	The order group in a VXU must have one ORC segments.
TQ1	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
TQ2	[0..1]	O	Not described in this Guide. May be locally specified.
RXA	[1..1]	R	Each ORC segment in a VXU must have one RXA segment. Every RXA requires an ORC segment.
RXR	[0..1]	RE	Every RXA segment in a VXU may have zero or one RXR segments.
OBX	[0..*]	RE	Every RXA segment in a VXU may have zero or more OBX segments.
NTE	[0..1]	RE	Every OBX segment in a VXU may have zero or one NTE segment.
End Order Group			

The following diagram illustrates the relationships of the segments. The cardinality is displayed on the association links. Note that in order for a segment to be present in a message, it must be associated with any parent segments. For example, the NTE

segment can only be included in a message as a sub-segment to an OBX. Further, the OBX can only be present as a child of an RXA. Finally, a segment that is required and a child of another segment must be present if the parent is present. If the parent is not present, it is NOT permitted.

Requesting Information (Immunization History) – QBP

This description will specify the use of QBP for messaging, but is not specific to the use cases in this Guide. Formal Query and Response Profiles for specifying the structure to support the use cases will follow in Chapter 7. The QBP query has a matching RSP response. (See below)

QBP/RSP – query by parameter/segment pattern response (events vary)

Table 6-3 QBP/RSP – Query By Parameter/Segment Pattern Response

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	The MSH must include an identifier which indicates the Query Profile used.
[[SFT]]	[0..1]	O	Not anticipated for use in immunization messages.
QPD	[1..1]	R	
[	--- QBP begin		
[...]	[1..*]	R	The Query Profile will specify the list of fields and their components in the order that they will be expected for this query.
]	--- QBP end		
RCP	Response Control Parameters	R	The Query Profile will list the segments that are expected to be returned in response to this query.
[DSC]	Continuation Pointer	O	Not anticipated for use in immunization messages.

Respond to Request for Information– RSP

The specifications below are not specific to the request for immunization history, but are the foundation on which those specifications are based. The Query profile for requesting an immunization history and the associated Response may be found in Chapter 7 of this Guide.

Formal Profiles based on the Query Profile in Chapter 7 will allow the requesting system to be informed if the response is a list of candidate clients or a single immunization history.

Table 6-4-Segment Pattern Response (RSP)

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	The MSH will indicate which query is being responded to and what Query Profile it was based on.
[[SFT]]	[0..1]	O	Not anticipated for use in immunization messages.
MSA	[1..1]	R	
[ERR]	[0..1]	O	
QAK	[1..1]	R	
QPD	[1..1]	R	This segment echoes the Query Parameter Definition Segment sent in the requesting query.
[	--- SEGMENT_PATTERN begin		
...	[0..1]	O	The specified segments and their contents as specified in the Segment Pattern from Query Profile, are returned here. May be empty if no records returned.
]	--- SEGMENT_PATTERN end		
[DSC]	Continuation Pointer	O	Not anticipated for use in immunization messages.

Requesting An Immunization History from Another System VXQ

The use of VXQ is not supported for 2.5.1 immunization messaging.

Version 2.5.1 implementations are expected to support QBP style query.

Acknowledging a Message--ACK

The ACK returns an acknowledgement to the sending system. This may indicate errors in processing.

Table 6-5 Message Acknowledgement Segment (ACK)

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
MSH	(1..1)	R	

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
[[SFT]]	(0..1)	O	Not anticipated for use in immunization messages.
MSA	(1..1)	R	
[[ERR]]	(0..*)	RE	Include if there are errors.

Note: For the general acknowledgment (ACK) message, the value of MSH-9-2-Trigger event is equal to the value of MSH-9-2-Trigger event in the message being acknowledged. The value of MSH-9-3-Message structure for the general acknowledgment message is always ACK.

Sending Demographic Information – VXU or ADT

Use of the ADT message is required for participation in the PIX/PDQ profile for maintenance of the Master Person Index. In addition, it may be used to populate an IIS with data from systems that do not contain immunization data or that can't produce immunization messages.

In most cases, at present, use of the ADT message is not anticipated for widespread use outside of this context. Since this Implementation Guide focuses on messaging immunization information, those interested in use of the ADT are referred to Chapter 3 of the Version 2.5.1 documentation. In addition, the IHE profiles include clear guidelines on using an ADT. The VXU message may be used to convey demographic information without inclusion of immunization information, since ORC are optional segments.

ADT messages shall not be used for transmitting immunization records. They may be used for transmitting demographic information.

This Guide will give specifications for the Register Patient (A04) message. The only differences between A04 and A28 are the Message Type (MSH-9) and the addition of a PDA (Patient Death and Autopsy) segment for the A04 variant of the ADT. The Guide will not provide specifications for the full suite of patient management activities. Systems that will support these more extensive activities should adopt an existing profile or develop an implementation guide or profile specifying their local use.

Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE) has published a profile that provides support for the transactions that support interaction with a Master Person Index (MPI). Those planning extensive use of ADT are urged to consult these documents.

<http://www.ihe.net/profiles/index.cfm>
http://www.ihe.net/Technical_Framework/index.cfm²⁴

²⁴ These links are current as of 5/1/2010.

Table 6-6-ADT A04 Message

Segment	Cardinality	Usage	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	Every message begins with an MSH.
[[SFT]]	[0..*]	O	
EVN	[1..1]	R	Every ADT has one EVN segment.
PID	[1..1]	R	Every ADT has one PID segment.
[PD1]	[0..1]	RE	Every PID segment in ADT may have zero or one PD1 segment
[[ROL]]	[0..*]	O	
[[NK1]]	[0..*]	O	The PID segment in a ADT may have zero or more NK1 segments.
PV1	[1..1]	R	The PID segment in an ADT must have one PV1 segment.
[PV2]	[0..1]	O	
[[ROL]]	[0..*]	O	
[[DB1]]	[0..*]	O	
[[OBX]]	[0..*]	O	The PID segment in an ADT may have zero or more OBX segments.
[[AL1]]	[0..*]	O	
[[DG1]]	[0..*]	O	
[DRG]	[0..*]	O	
[[
PR1	[0..1]	O	
[[ROL]]	[0..*]	O	
]]			
[[GT1]]	[0..*]	O	
[[
IN1	[0..1]	O	
IN2	[0..1]	O	
IN3	[0..1]	O	
[[ROL]]	[0..*]	O	
]]			
[ACC]	[0..1]	O	
[UB1]	[0..1]	O	
[UB2]	[0..1]	O	
[PDA]	[0..1]	O	

Sending Messages in a Batch

Systems may choose to send messages in batches. A batch begins with a batch header statement (BHS) and ends with a Batch Trailer Segment. Batches may in turn be batched into files of batches using File Header Statement and File Trailer statement. If a system is

sending a single batch, the FHS/FTS is not necessary. A stream of messages may be sent without use of either BHS or FHS.

The generic layout of a batch message is as follows:

BHS
VXU
VXU
...
BTS

Similarly, a file of batches is laid out as follows:

FHS
BHS
VXU
VXU
...
BTS
BHS
VXU
...
BTS
...
FTS

7. Query and Response Profile (QBP/RSP)

Request Immunization History Query Profile –Z34^CDCPHINVS

The following query profile supports replication of the functionality of the VXQ/VXX/VXR query and responses²⁵. Implicit in this profile is identity resolution as it was in VXQ.

Some systems may wish to separate this functionality using the Patient Demographic Query (PDQ) profile from IHE. The results of the identity resolution accomplished with the PDQ can be used with this query profile to request an immunization history. It is anticipated that one high confidence match will be the results of this effort and the return response will be one immunization history. IHE also has a query profile to support interaction with an MPI. The PIX query requests patient identifier cross-reference. It assumes that the pertinent identifiers have been registered using ADT messages.

Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE) has published a profile that provides support for the PDQ query. In addition, they have published a supplemental Pediatric Demographic Profile that optimizes the PDQ query to support queries for children's identifiers.

<http://www.ihe.net/profiles/index.cfm>

http://www.ihe.net/Technical_Framework/index.cfm²⁶

See Appendix B for more details on the processes.

Three profiles will be supported by CDC. One profile will reflect the query as specified below. In addition two profiles will specify constraints on the responses returned in a response to the query. One will specify a single immunization history returned. The second will specify a list of candidate clients and their identifiers.

²⁵ This functionality entails a query that uses demographic and other identifying information to request an immunization history. If one or more lower confidence candidates are found a list of candidates is returned. If a single high-confidence match is found, an immunization history is returned.

²⁶ These links are current as of 5/1/2010.

Request Immunization History Query Profile**Table 7-1 Request Immunization History Query Profile**

Query Statement ID (Query ID=Z34):	Z34
Type:	Query
Query Name:	Request Immunization History
Query Trigger (= MSH-9):	QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11
Query Mode:	Both
Response Trigger (= MSH-9):	RSP^K11^RSP_K11
Query Characteristics:	<p>The query parameters may include demographic and address data. No sorting is expected.</p> <p>This profile does not specify the logic used when searching for matching clients/patients. The query parameter contents may be used for simple query or as input for probabilistic search algorithms. The search methodology should be specified by local implementations.</p>
Purpose:	The purpose is to request a complete immunization history for one client.
Response Characteristics:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In the case where no candidates are found, the response will indicate that no candidates were found.• In the case where exactly one high-confidence candidate is found, an immunization history may be returned.• In the case where one or more clients could match the criteria sent, a list of candidates may be returned to allow for refinement of the query. If the number of candidates exceeds the maximum number requested or allowed for return, the response will indicate too many matches and no records will be returned.• In the case where receiving system can't process the query, the receiving system will indicate an error.
Based on Segment Pattern:	NA

Note that when one patient is found, a Receiving system may choose to send an immunization history or a list of one patient identifiers depending on the local business rules. This should be clearly documented in a local profile.

Each system will need to determine the business rules that deal with patients who wish to have their records protected. Some systems may choose to treat the person as if they are not in the system. Others may choose to send a response indicating that the person exists in the system but does not allow sharing. This rule should be clearly documented in the local profile.

Query Grammar

<u>QBP^Q11^QBP Q11</u>	<u>Query Grammar: QBP Message</u>	<u>Usage</u>	<u>Comment</u>
MSH	Message Header Segment	R	
[[SFT]]	Software Segment	O	Local profile may specify
QPD	Query Parameter Definition	R	
RCP	Response Control Parameter	R	
[DSC]	Continuation Pointer	X	Not supported

Response Grammar

Table 7-2-Response Grammar to Different Outcomes

Outcome of Query	Response Message
No match found	Response indicates that message was successfully processed and that no

	clients matched the criteria that were sent in the query.
Exactly one high confidence match found ²⁷	Response includes a complete immunization history as specified below. See Profile <i>Return Immunization History</i> .
At least one lower confidence match ²⁸ is found, but <= maximum number allowed.	Response returns one PID with associated PD1 and NK1 segments for each potential match. No immunization history is returned. See Profile <i>Return Candidate List</i> .
More than the maximum number allowed is found.	Response indicates that the message was successfully processed, but that too many potential matches were found. The maximum number allowed is the lower of the maximum number requested and the maximum number that the receiving system will return.
Message is not well formed and has fatal errors.	Response indicates that the message was not successfully processed and may indicate errors.

The response grammar below will accommodate each of the cases above. If one high confidence candidate is found then an entire immunization history may be returned. If one or more lower confidence candidates are found, then a list of patient identifiers may be returned.

The usage of segments will be specified in two separate profiles. The first profile will address the case where one or more lower confidence matches are found. In this case a list of candidates will be returned. These will not have immunization histories. (Similar

²⁷ Definition of match is left to local business rules. These rules should be documented in a local implementation guide. For example, a system may only return an immunization history when the match is exact, returning a list of 1 if one person for a lower probability match.

²⁸ More than one high confidence match constitutes is considered a set of lower confidence matches.

to V2.3.1 VXX) The other profile will handle the case where the receiving system finds one high confidence match. In this case one client immunization record will be returned (similar to V2.3.1 VXR).

Response Grammar RSP^K11

Table 7-3 Response Grammar RSP^K11

Segment	Cardinality	HL7 Optionality ²⁹	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	
MSA	[1..1]	R	
[ERR]	[0..1]	O	If errors exist, then this segment is populated.
QAK	[1..1]	R	
QPD	[1..1]	R	Query Parameter Definition Segment ³⁰
{	[0..1]	O	--- Response begin ³¹
{	[0..*]	O	Begin patient identifier
PID	[1..1]	R	
[PD1]	[0..1]	RE	
[{NK1 }]	[0..*]	RE	
}			End Patient Identifier
[	[0..1]	O	Begin immunization history
[PV1]	[0..1]	O	
[IN1]	[0..1]	O	
{	[0..*]	RE	Begin Order
ORC	[1..1]	R	Required if client has immunization records (RXA). There is one ORC for each RXA
			Begin Pharmacy Administration
RXA	[1..1]	R	

²⁹ Optionality is not the same as Usage, but rather the standard definitions of HL7.

³⁰ Matches the information in the requesting QBP message.

³¹ If a query errors out or if no matching persons are found the segments in the Response group will not be returned.

[RXR]	[0..1]	RE	
{	[0..*]	RE	Begin Observation
OBX	[1..1]	R	
[NTE]	[0..1]	RE	
}			End observation
}			End Pharmacy Administration End Order
]			End Immunization History
}]			Response end

MSH - MESSAGE HEADER SPECIFICATION

Table 7-4 MSH Specification for Request Immunization History Query

SEQ	LEN	Data Type	Cardinality	Value set	ITEM #	ELEMENT NAME	Usage	Constraint
1	1	ST	[1..1]		00001	Field Separator	R	The MSH.1 field shall be |
2	4	ST	[1..1]		00002	Encoding Characters	R	The MSH.2 field shall be ^~\&
3		HD	[0..1]	0361	00003	Sending Application	RE	No constraint
4		HD	[0..1]	0362	00004	Sending Facility	RE	No constraint
5		HD	[0..1]	0361	00005	Receiving Application	RE	No constraint
6		HD	[0..1]	0362	00006	Receiving Facility	RE	No constraint
7	26	TS	[1..1]		00007	Date/Time Of Message	R	The degree of precision must be at least to the second, and the time zone must be included (format YYYYMMDDHHMMSS[.S[S[S[S]]]]+/-ZZZZ).
8	40	ST	[0..1]		00008	Security	O	
9	15	MSG	[1..1]		00009	Message Type	R	QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11
10	20	ST	[1..1]		00010	Message Control ID	R	
11	3	PT	[1..1]		00011	Processing ID	R	
12		VID	[1..1]		00012	Version ID	R	2.5.1
13	15	NM	[0..1]		00013	Sequence Number	O	
14	180	ST	[0..1]		00014	Continuation Pointer	O	
15	2	ID	[0..1]	0155	00015	Accept Acknowledgment Type	RE	NE-Never

SEQ	LEN	Data Type	Cardinality	Value set	ITEM #	ELEMENT NAME	Usage	Constraint
16	2	ID	[0..1]	0155	00016	Application Acknowledgment Type	RE	AL-Always
17	3	ID	[0..1]	0399	00017	Country Code	O	blank
18	16	ID	[0..1]	0211	00692	Character Set	O	blank
19		CE	[0..1]		00693	Principal Language Of Message	O	blank
20	20	ID	[0..1]	0356	01317	Alternate Character Set Handling Scheme	O	blank
21		EI	[1..1]		01598	Message Profile Identifier	R	Z34^ CDCPHINVS

QPD Input Parameter Specification

Table 7-5 QPD Input Parameter Specification

Field Seq (Query ID=Z34)	Name	Key/ Search	Sort	LEN	TYPE	Opt	Rep	Match Op	TBL	Segment Field Name	Service Identifier Code	Element Name or Value
1	MessageQueryName				CE	R						Z34^Request Immunization History^HL70471
2	QueryTag			32	ST	R						
3	PatientList				CX	RE	Y			PID.3		PID-3: Patient Identifier List
4	PatientName				XP	RE				PID.5		PID-5: Patient Name
5	PatientMotherMaiden Name				XP	RE				PID.6		PID-6: Mother's maiden name
6	Patient Date of Birth			26	TS	RE				PID.7		PID-7: Patient date of birth
7	Patient Sex			1	IS	RE				PID.8		PID-8: Patient sex

Field Seq (Query ID=Z34)	Name	Key/ Search	Sort	LEN	TYPE	Opt	Rep	Match Op	TBL	Segment Field Name	Service Identifier Code	Element Name or Value
8	Patient Address				XAD	RE				PID.11		PID-11: Patient Address
9	Patient home phone				XTN	RE				PID.13		PID-13: Patient home phone
10	Patient multiple birth indicator			1	ID	RE				PID-24		PID-24: Patient multiple birth indicator
11	Patient birth order			2	NM	RE				PID-25		PID-25: Patient birth order
12	Client last updated date				TS	RE				PID-33		PID-33: Patient last update date
13	Client last update facility				HD	RE				PID-34		PID-34: Patient last update facility

QPD Input Parameter Field Description and Commentary

Table 7-6 QPD Input Parameter Field Description and Commentary

Input Parameter (Query ID=Z34)	Comp. Name	DT	Description
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Input Parameter (Query ID=Z34)	Comp. Name	DT	Description
MessageQueryName		CE	Z34^Request Immunization History^HL70471
QueryTag		ST	Unique to each query message instance.
PatientList		CX	The combination of values for Patientlist.ID, patientlst.identifiercode and Patientlist.AssigningAuthority are intended to allow unique identification of a client, if the data are found in the responding system.
	ID	ST	If this field, PID.3.1, is not valued, PatientList is not considered when seeking matching clients.
	Assigning Authority	HD	If this field, PID.3.4, is not valued, PatientList is not considered when seeking matching clients.
	IdentifierTypeCode	IS	If this field, PID.3.5, is not valued, PatientList is not considered when seeking matching clients.
PatientName		XPN	If this field, PID.5, is not valued, then the query will return an error, since this is a required field.
	Family Name	FN	If this field, PID.5.1, is not valued, then patient name is considered to contain no value.
	Given Name	ST	If this field, PID.5.2, is not valued, then patient name is considered to contain no value. Given name is required.
	Second or further names	ST	If this field, PID.5.3, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
	Suffix	ST	If this field, PID.5.4, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
Mother's Maiden Name		XPN	If this field, PID.6, is not valued, Mother's maiden name is not considered when seeking matching clients.
	Family Name	FN	If this field, PID.6.1, is not valued, then mother's maiden name is considered to contain no value.
	Given Name	ST	If this field, PID.6.2, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
DateOfBirth		TS	If this field, PID.7, is not valued to an accuracy of at least day,

Input Parameter (Query ID=Z34)	Comp. Name	DT	Description
			then this field is considered not valued.
Sex		IS	If this field, PID.8, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
Address		XAD	If this field, PID.11, is not valued, then address will not be considered when seeking matching clients.
	Street Address	SAD	If this field, PID.11.1, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
	City	ST	If this field, PID.11.3, is not valued, then address is considered to contain no value.
	State	ST	If this field, PID.11.4, is not valued, then address is considered to contain no value.
	ZIP	ST	If this field, PID.11.5, is not valued, then all values for this field are considered a match.
	Address Type	IS	If this field, PID.11.7 is not valued, then it shall default to L, legal address.
Phone		XTN	This field will be considered the Home phone. If this field, PID.13, is not valued, then phone number is not considered when seeking matching clients.
	Area code	NM	If this field, PID.13.6, is not valued, then all values for this field shall be considered matches.
	Local number	NM	If this field, PID.13.7, is not valued, then address is considered to contain no value.
Multiple Birth Indicator		ID	If this field, PID.24, is not valued, then Multiple Birth Indicator is not considered when seeking matching clients.
Birth Order		NM	If this field, PID.25, is not valued, then birth order is not considered when seeking matching clients.
Client last updated date		TS	If this field, PID.33, is not valued, then client last updated date is not considered when seeking matching clients.
Client last update facility		TS	If this field, PID.34, is not valued, then client last updating facility

Input Parameter (Query ID=Z34)	Comp. Name	DT	Description
			is not considered when seeking matching clients.

All of the fields used for searching in the query parameters are listed as Required but may be empty (RE) in the Guide. However, local business rules may constrain this. For instance, a system may require name, date of birth and patient id. Alternatively, it may require that at least four fields are populated or some other business rule. This must be documented in a local implementation guide or profile.

This Guide does not specify search logic. It specifies the structure and content of the message used to query. It is incumbent on systems to publically document their expectations within the constraints of this guide.

RCP Response Control Parameter Field Description and Commentary

Table 7-7 RCP Response Control Parameter Field Description and Commentary

Field Seq (Query ID=Z34)	Name	Component Name	LEN	DT	Description
1	Query Priority		1	ID	If this field is not valued then it shall default to I. The only value permitted is I.
2	Quantity Limited Request		10	CQ	
		Quantity		NM	The maximum number of patients that may be returned. This value is set by the requester. The sender may send up to this number.
		Units		CWE	This value shall be RD (records)
3	Response Modality		60	CWE	Real time or Batch. Default is R.
7	Segment group inclusion		256	ID	This field shall be empty.

Return a List of Candidates Profile -- Z31^CDCPHINVS**HL7 Version 2.5.1 Message Profile for Returning a List of Candidates in Response to a Request Immunization History Query****Introduction:**

A key task that must be accomplished for immunization messaging is requesting an immunization history from another information system. There are 4 possible outcomes to a request for immunization query.

Table 7-8 Query Response Possibilities

Outcome	Action
No clients are found that match the requested person	Send acknowledgement indicating no matches found.
Exactly one high confidence match is found.	Return Immunization history (See Z32 profile)
One or more lower confidence persons match the criteria sent. Matching more than one high confidence candidate constitutes a lower confidence match.	Return a list of candidates for further refinement of selection.
The message is not well-formed and can't be processed.	Return error acknowledgement

This profile constrains the QBP Query, Request Immunization History Query Z34 , that is specified above. The goal of this profile is to constrain the response specified in the Request Immunization History query profile to a list of patients and their identifiers. In all other aspects it conforms completely with the specifications described in that query profile.

Use Case:

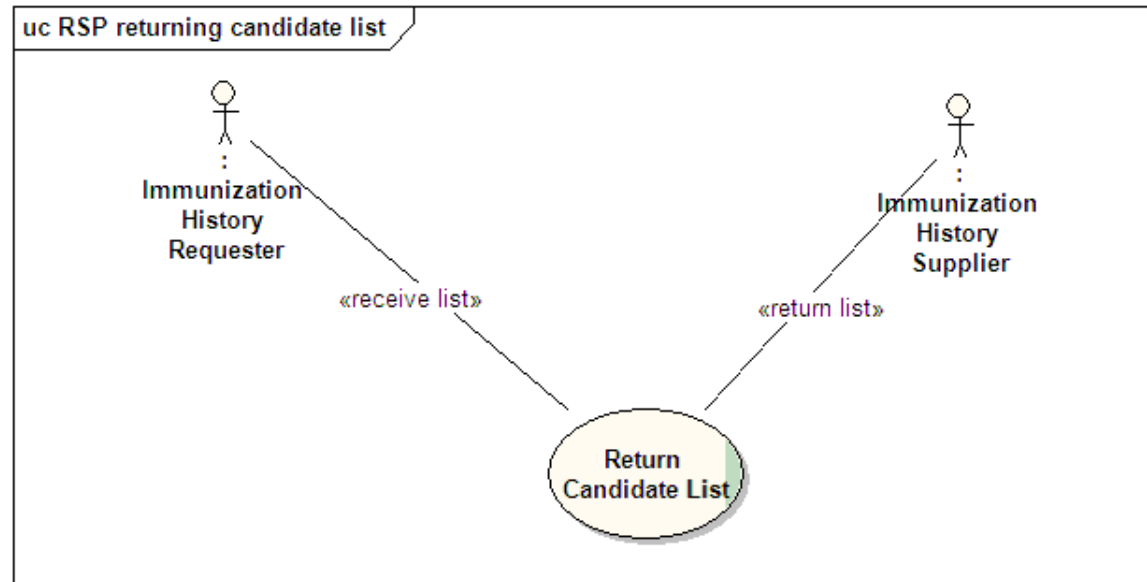


Figure 7-1--Return Candidate List

Name: Return Candidate List

Actors:

1. Immunization History Requester—is a system that requests an immunization history for a specific individual. In this use case, it receives the candidate list sent.
2. Immunization History Supplier—returns candidate list to a requester for in response to a request for immunization history.

Preconditions:

1. The History Supplier has found records for one or more persons who match the parameters in the query.
2. The History Supplier has created the response message.

Flow of Events:

1. The History Supplier sends the RSP response message.
2. The History Requester receives the RSP response message.

Post-Conditions:

1. The History Requester has a list of candidates for review and selection.

Static Definition

Response Grammar RSP^K11 Constrained by This Profile

This profile constrains the Request for Immunization Query Response Grammar by changing the cardinality of the Immunization History block to [0..0]. None of the segments within that block will be returned.

Response Grammar RSP^K11

Table 7-9 Response Grammar RSP^K11

Segment	Cardinality	HL7 Optionality	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	R	
MSA	[1..1]	R	
[ERR]	[0..1]	O	If errors exist, then this segment is populated.
QAK	[1..1]	R	
QPD	[1..1]	R	Query Parameter Definition Segment ³²
[{	[1..1]	R	--- Response begin ³³
{	[1..*]	R	Begin patient identifier
PID	[1..1]	R	
[PD1]	[0..1]	RE	

³² Matches the information in the requesting QBP message.

³³ If a query errors out or if no matching persons are found the segments in the Response group will not be returned.

{{NK1 }}	[0..*]	RE	
}}			End Patient Identifier
[	[0..0]	X	Begin immunization history All segments below are not returned because this group is not supported in this response profile. The cardinality and usage for each segment below is not changed.
[PV1]	[0..1]	O	
[IN1]	[0..1]	O	
[[	[0..*]	RE	Begin Order
ORC	[1..1]	R	Required if client has immunization records (RXA). There is one ORC for each RXA
			Begin Pharmacy Administration
RXA	[1..1]	R	
[RXR]	[0..1]	RE	
[{	[0..*]	RE	Begin Observation
OBX	[1..1]	R	
[{NTE }}	[0..*]	RE	
}}			End observation
}}			End Pharmacy Administration End Order
]			End Immunization History
}}			Response end

This profile indicates that a list of patient identification shall be returned. It shall be identified in MSH-21 by its profile identifier.

Segment Level Profile

This profile makes no changes to the parent query profile.

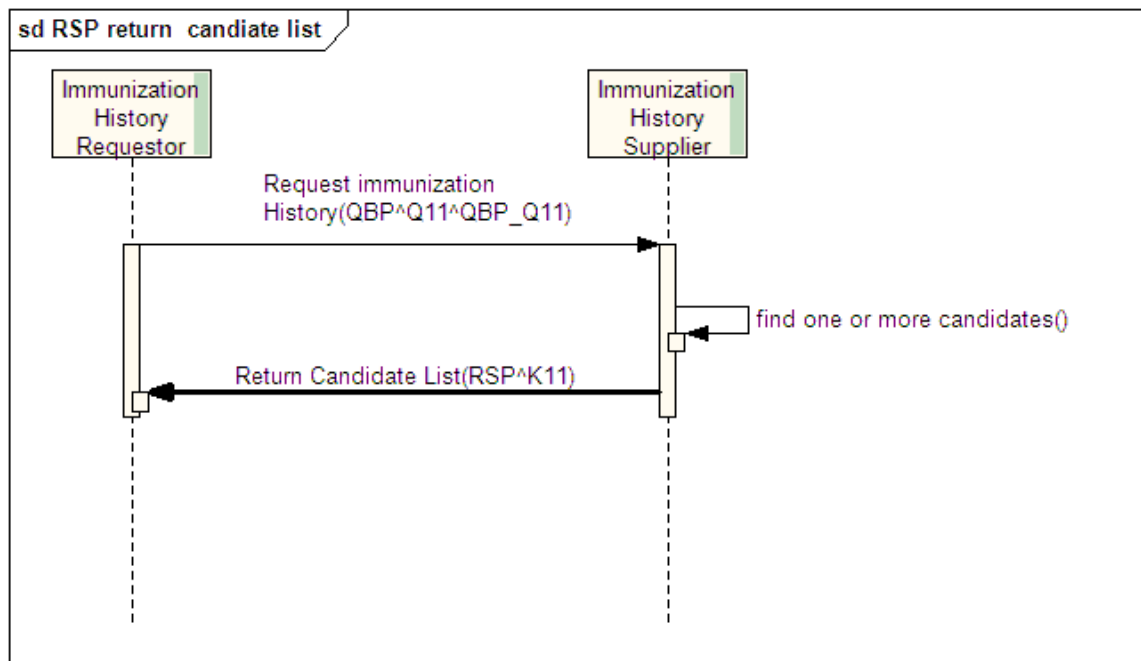
Field Level Profile

This profile makes no changes to the parent query profile, with the exception of the MSH-21 field, which contains the profile identifier, Z31^CDCPHINVS.

Dynamic Definition

Sequence Diagram

Figure 7-2 Return Candidate List (RSP^K11)



This diagram illustrates the context of the message. The message specified in this profile is in Bold and labeled Return Candidate List(RSP^K11).

Acknowledgement Responsibilities

Application level acknowledgement is allowed, but not required.

Return an Immunization History – Z32^CDCPHINVS

HL7 Version 2.5.1 Message Profile for Returning an Immunization History

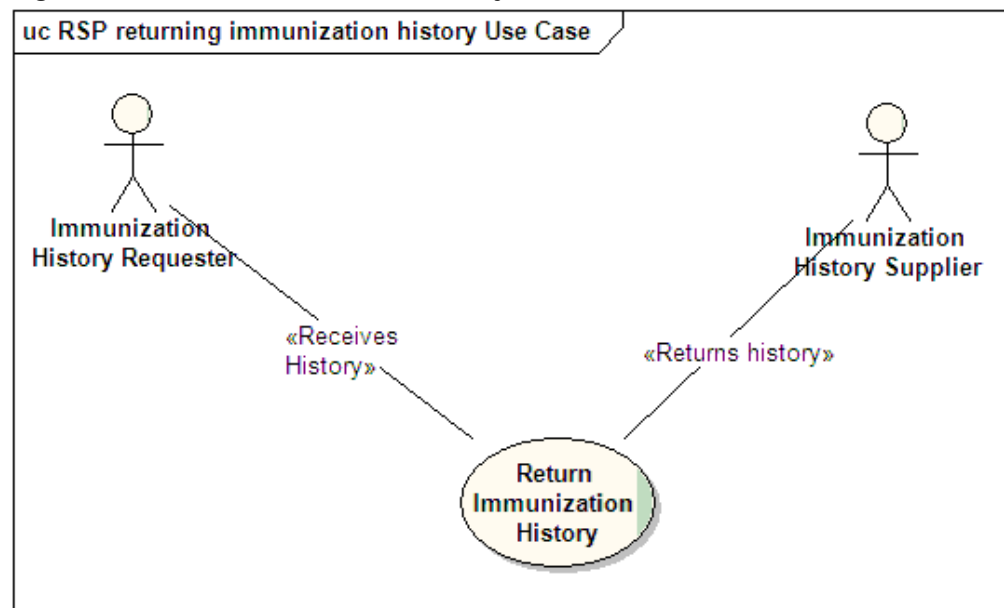
Introduction:

A key task that must be accomplished for immunization messaging is requesting an immunization history from another information system. One component of that process is returning an immunization history. This profile constrains the QBP Query, Request Immunization History Query Z34 , that is specified above. That query profile specifies the query for requesting an immunization history and is intended to support 2 types of response. One response returns a list of candidate client/patients to be the basis of further selection. That selection is then used to re-query for an immunization history. The second is a response that returns an immunization history. This second is the focus of this message profile. The goal of this profile is to constrain the response specified in the Request Immunization History query profile to a single immunization history. In all other aspects it conforms completely with the specifications described in the implementation Guide for this query profile.

Use Case:

Name: Return Immunization History

Figure 7-3 Return Immunization History Use Case



Actors:

1. Immunization History Requester—is a system that requests an immunization history for a specific individual. In this use case, it receives the immunization history sent.
2. Immunization History Supplier—returns an immunization history to a requester for a specific individual in response to a request for immunization history.

Preconditions:

1. The History Supplier has found the records for the requested person.
2. The History Supplier has created the response message.

Flow of Events:

1. The History Supplier sends the RSP response message.
2. The History Requester receives the RSP response message.

Post-Conditions:

1. The History Requester has the immunization history.

Static Definition

Response Grammar RSP^K11 Constrained by This Profile

This profile constrains the Request for Immunization Query Response Grammar by changing the cardinality of the response to one repetition.

Response Grammar RSP^K11

Figure 7-4 Return Immunization History Response Grammar

Segment	Cardinality	Comment
MSH	[1..1]	
MSA	[1..1]	
[ERR]	[0..*]	If errors exist, then this segment is populated.
QAK	[1..1]	
QPD	[1..1]	Query Parameter Definition Segment ³⁴
[	[0..1]	--- Response control parameter begin Note Changed Cardinality
		Begin patient identifier
PID	(1..1)	
[PD1]	(0..1)	
[{NK1 }]	(0..*)	
		End Patient Identifier

³⁴ Matches the information in the requesting QBP message.

[		Begin patient visit
PV1	(0..1)	
]		
[		Begin Insurance
IN1	(0..1)	
]		End Insurance
[[	(0..*)	Begin Order
ORC	[1..1]	Required if client has immunization records (RXA). There is one ORC for each RXA
		Begin Pharmacy Administration
RXA	(1..1)	
[RXR]	(0..1)	
{	(0..*)	Begin Observation
OBX	(1..1)	
[{NTE }]	(0..*)	
}		End observation
		End Pharmacy Administration End Order
]	---	Response control parameter end

This profile indicates that only one repetition of an entire immunization history shall be returned. It shall be identified in MSH-21 by its profile identifier, Z32^CDCPHINVS.

Segment Level Profile

This profile makes no changes to the parent query profile.

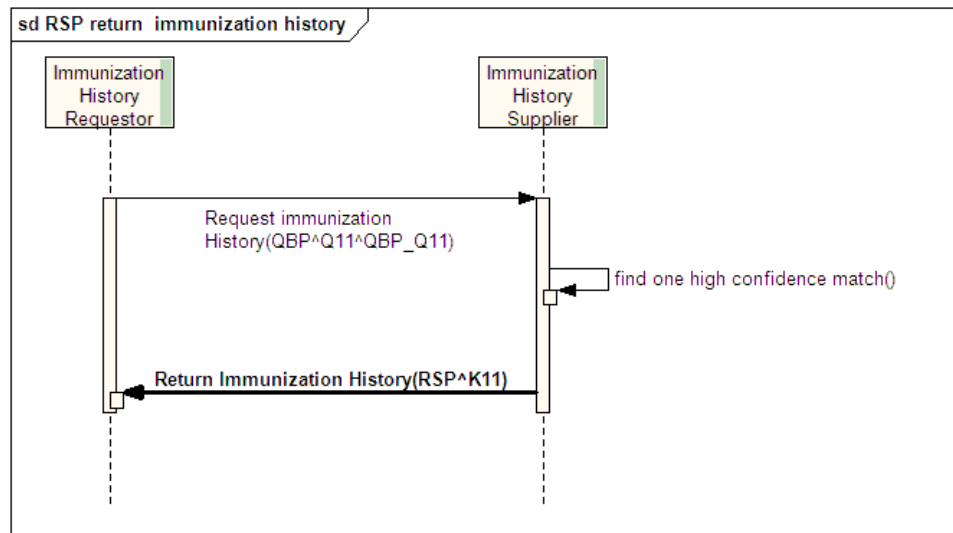
Field Level Profile

This profile makes no changes to the parent query profile, with the exception of the MSH 21 profile identifier, Z32^CDCPHINVS.

Dynamic Definition

Sequence Diagram

Figure 7-5 Return Immunization History Sequence Diagram



This diagram illustrates the context of the message. The message specified in this profile is in Bold and labeled Return Immunization History(RSP^K11).

Acknowledgement Responsibilities

Application level acknowledgement is allowed, but not required.

Change History Details

Table 1--Release 1.1 Changes

Location	Change
Page 100	PD1-4 Primary Provider. Corrected data type to XCN.
Page 46	Corrected usage definitions for EI-Entity Identifier data type.
Page 124	Clarified default action if RXA-21 Action Code is not populated.
Appendix A-1	Added copyright note on LOINC codes. Added reference to SNOMED. Added reference to PHIN VADS
Appendix A-2 and A-3	Removed links to dead web pages on Race and Ethnicity.
Appendix A-33	Added NCIT to codes
Appendix A-2	Corrected Value set OID for race.
Appendix A-30	Corrected code for Allergy to protein of rodent origin.
Appendix A-30	Removed duplicate row VXC28
Appendix A-36	Corrected LOINC code for contraindication

Table 2--Release 1.2 Changes

Location	Change
Appendix A-18	Added example of response to query that found too many candidates.
Appendix A-multiple	Corrected use of profile identifiers in the responses. Changed HL70396 to CDCPHIVS.
Chapter 6, page 129	Corrected cardinality of GT1 and Insurance segment group.
Chapter 5, p72	Corrected spelling of BHS
Chapter 5, p72 and throughout Guide	Changed “null” to “empty” in data types, fields and segments. In some cases deleted contents of cell
Chapter 7, p 140	Corrected cardinality
Chapter 7, page 156	Removed extraneous RCP row in table.
Chapter 7, page 157	Include profile id in the text explaining Z32^CDCPHINVS
Chapter 4, page 61	Illustrated use of HD data type in XCN
Appendix B, throughout	Corrected Query name to Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
Appendix B-15	Corrected LOINC in example message. It was set to Reaction, but should be 59779-9, schedule used.
Chapter 5, page 105	Corrected cardinality of PID-1
Chapter 5, various pages	Corrected cardinality of fields with usage of X (not supported) from [0..1] to [0..0]

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Chapter 5, page 108	Corrected data type of PID-39 Tribal citizenship from CE to CWE
Chapter 5, page 101	Corrected data types for all PD1 fields.
Chapter 5, page 91	Corrected usage of OBX-1
Chapter 4, page 50	Added reference to User defined tables 0361-0363
Chapter 5, page 82-3	Clarified usage of tables 0361 and 0362
Chapter 5, page 96	Corrected ORC-3 usage
Appendix A, Table 0363	Added table with value set

Table 3--Release 1.3 Changes

Location	Change
Chapter 2, Use Case 9 – report error	Added clarifying statement.
Chapter 3, usage guidance	Clarified RE and CE usage. These are SHOULD rather than SHALL
Chapter 4, HD data type and Appendix A	Changed references to Table HL70300 to the more specific HL70361-HL70363
Chapter 4, FT data type	FT data type added
Chapter 5, MSH-11	Clarify use of field and attendant table
Chapter 5, PID 14	Correct cardinality
Chapter 5, PID-15 note box	Clarified difference between V2.3.1 and V2.5.1 IG value sets.
Chapter 5, RXA-10	Added clarifying statement.
Chapter 5, RXA 20	Clarified definition and codes
Chapter 5, NK1-20 and PID-15	Corrected table reference for language to ISO 0639
Appendix A, User-defined Table 0064	Updated to accommodate change in eligibility coding.
Appendix A, Table NIP 003	Added new LOINC for eligibility
Appendix A,	Added new value set for client risk factors to be used for priority groups.
Appendix B, immunization history table	Added new concepts
Appendix B, Example VXU #2	Added description of messaging eligibility status using OBX, per immunization.
Appendix B	Forecast examples updated to include ORC segment for each RXA
Appendix B, Forecasting messages	Added new examples and improved existing examples
Chapter 5, VXU table	Changed PV1 to optional
Chapter 5, page 112	Note on changing PV1 to optional
Chapter 5, page 115	Note on changing PV1 to optional

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Chapter 6, page 131	Clarified cardinality and usage of Order group
Chapter 7, page 142	Changed cardinality and usage of PV1 in response grammar table
Appendix A, table 0064	Updated notes and definitions to reflect MIROW guidance
Appendix B, Example VXU #2	Extensive rewrite to reflect MIROW guidance
Appendix B, Example VXU #2	Removed guidance on use of PV1 for eligibility status
Appendix A and Appendix B	Removed references to messaging funding source.
Chapter 7, response grammar	Corrected usage of IN1 from RE to O.
Appendix A, Table 0064 And examples using VFC codes throughout Appendix B	Corrected VFC codes. Deprecated V06 and V08

Table 4--Release 1.4

Location	Change
Chapter 2	Added documentation of core data elements
XAD, table 4-23	Specified use of US Postal Service state codes
RXA, table 5-20,	Specified use of NIP002 for RXA-18
RXA-3 text, page 123	Clarified appropriate date for forecast.
Appendix A	Set table title to be a header, so it is included in Table of Contents
Table 0064-Financial Class	Clarified use of V07
Table 0289-County/Parish, page A-21	Corrected codes for county.
CDC-defined table NIP-003	Added new observation code for document type
Evidence of Immunity-IIS	Added new codes for evidence of immunity
VIS Document Type-IIS	Added new table for identifying VIS document types
Appendix B-core data elements	Updated table and added more data concepts.
Appendix B- VXU #2 example	Added guidance to incorporate guidance on eligibility from MIROW work.
Appendix B-VXU #7 example	Added guidance on using the new barcodes for VIS document type.
Through out document	Added conformance statements for key elements
Chapter 3	Modified usage descriptions to separate sender and receiver responsibilities.
Throughout document	Changed C and CE usage to use the pre-adopted Version 2.7.1 conditional usage
Throughout document	Reformatted the tables for elements to support

Change History

Location	Change
	changes to Conditional usage
Appendix B	Restored table for indicating funding source for an immunization.
Appendix A	Added new table for VIS barcode, VIS vaccines and Eligibility Observation Method

APPENDIX A: Code Tables

Revision History		
Author	Revision	Date
Rob Savage	Release 1	5/1/2010
Rob Savage	Release 1.1	8/15/2010
Rob Savage	Release 1.2	2/15/2011
Rob Savage	Release 1.3	8/15/2011
Rob Savage	Release 1.4	8/1/2012

NOTE: In this appendix, values are selected from standard code sets where available. The Value Sets are maintained in the PHIN VADS for use in Public Health. The main purpose of PHIN VADS is to distribute vocabulary subsets needed in Public Health. The latest version of value sets referenced in this Implementation Guide can be obtained from PHIN VADS at (<http://phinvads.cdc.gov>). Search using keyword “immunization”.

Note that the PHIN VADS value sets are the source of truth for use in Meaningful Use testing.

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User-defined Table 0001 - Sex

This code reflects the self reported gender. Use in PID-8, NK1-15

Value set OID: 2.16.840.1.113883.1.11.1

Value	Description	Definition
F	Female	Person reports that she is female.
M	Male	Person reports that he is male.

Appendix B

U	Unknown/undifferentiated	No assertion is made about the gender of the person.
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HL7-defined Table 0003 - Event type

Only selected values listed Use in MSH-9, second component. Only these values are expected.

This code indicates the trigger event. Refer to Chapter 3, Version 2.5.1 for further information on HL7 event triggers.

Value	Description
A28	ADT/ACK - Add person information
A08	ADT/ACK – Update person information
A04	ADT/ACK – Register a patient
Q11	QBP - Query by parameter requesting an RSP segment pattern response (Query for vaccination record)
K11	RSP - Segment pattern response in response to QBP^Q11 (Response to vaccination query)
V04	VXU - Unsolicited vaccination record update

User-defined Table 0004 - Patient class

Use in PV1-2.

This code categorizes the patient in the current event. The only value supported is R for recurring patient. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

User-defined Table 0005 – Race

These values are consistent with the OMB Notice of revised categories for collection of race and ethnicity data—the combined format. Use in PID-10, NK1-35.

This code represents the client’s self-reported race.

Value set OID: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.836

US race codes	Description
1002-5	American Indian or Alaska Native
2028-9	Asian
2076-8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
2054-5	Black or African-American
2106-3	White
2131-1	Other Race
<empty field>	Unknown/undetermined

The following table is included for reference. The NIP original race codes are still accepted for backwards compatibility. The numeric code US race codes should be used.

US race codes	Description	NIP original race codes	Description
1002-5	American Indian or Alaska Native	I	American Indian or Alaska Native
2028-9	Asian	A	Asian or Pacific Islander
2076-8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	A	Asian or Pacific Islander
2054-5	Black or African-American	B	Black or African-American
2106-3	White	W	White
2131-1	Other Race	O	Other
	Unknown	U	Unknown

HL7-defined Table 0008 - Acknowledgment code

Use in MSA-1.

This code indicates the type of acknowledgement expected.

Value	Description
AA	Original mode: Application Accept Enhanced mode: Application acknowledgment: Accept
AE	Original mode: Application Error Enhanced mode: Application acknowledgment: Error
AR	Original mode: Application Reject Enhanced mode: Application acknowledgment: Reject
CA	Enhanced mode: Accept acknowledgment: Commit Accept
CE	Enhanced mode: Accept acknowledgment: Commit Error
CR	Enhanced mode: Accept acknowledgment: Commit Reject

User-defined Table 0010 - Physician ID

Use in all XCN data types; including PV1-7,8,9,17, RXA-10.

Each registry should establish a system of coding its reporting physicians. The National Provider Identifier (NPI) adopted for the HIPAA legislation may be used for this purpose.

HL7-defined Table 0061 - Check digit scheme

Use in all CX data types; including PID-2,3,4,18,21.

Value	Description
M10	Mod 10 algorithm
M11	Mod 11 algorithm
ISO	ISO 7064: 1983
NPI	Check digit algorithm in the US National Provider Identifier

User-defined Table 0063 – Relationship

Use in NK1-3, IN1-17

Value	Description
BRO	Brother
CGV	Care giver
FCH	Foster child
FTH	Father
GRD	Guardian
GRP	Grandparent
MTH	Mother
OTH	Other
PAR	Parent
SCH	Stepchild
SEL	Self
SIB	Sibling
SIS	Sister
SPO	Spouse

User-defined Table 0064 - Financial class

Use in OBX-5 for client eligibility for a funding program at the dose administered level. Financial class references a client's eligibility status at the time of vaccine administration. It is the eligibility of the client for the vaccine administered. The values in this table relate to eligibility for the Vaccine for Children (VFC) program.

Local implementations may define and document local codes. Each state immunization program may have locally specified funding programs for immunizations. In order to assure that each is unique across states, codes should be created that begin with the grantee assigning authority code from table 0363 in the Implementation Guide for Immunization Messaging, release 1.3. This would be followed by sequential number, left padded to a length of 2. For example if Alaska had a funding program, they would create a code of AKA01 for the first program. It is incumbent on the state or other jurisdiction to clearly describe the requirements that qualify a person for that funding program. For

instance if the hypothetical funding program in Alaska covered people who were too old for VFC program but would otherwise qualify because they were Medicaid eligible, then they would define the code as:

“Client is currently on MEDICAID and is older than 19 years old.”

Note that funding source for a specific immunization is different from client eligibility for funding program (Financial Class).

Code	Label	Definition
V01	Not VFC eligible	Client does not qualify for VFC because they do not have one of the statuses below. (V02-V05)
V02	VFC eligible-Medicaid/Medicaid Managed Care	Client is currently on Medicaid or Medicaid managed care and < 19 years old and the vaccine administered is eligible for VFC funding.
V03	VFC eligible-Uninsured	Client does not have private insurance coverage and < 19 years old and the vaccine administered is eligible for VFC funding.
V04	VFC eligible-American Indian/Alaskan Native	Client is a member of a federally recognized tribe and < 19 years old and the vaccine administered is eligible for VFC funding.
V05	VFC eligible-Federally Qualified Health Center Patient (under-insured)	Client has insurance, but insurance does not cover vaccines, limits the vaccines covered, or caps vaccine coverage at a certain amount and so client is eligible for VFC coverage at a Federally Qualified Health Center. The client must be receiving the immunizations at the FQHC or a FQHC designated clinic and < 19 years old and the vaccine administered is eligible for VFC funding.
V06	Deprecated [VFC eligible- State specific eligibility (e.g. S-CHIP plan)]	Do not use this code. State specific funding should either use V07 or a state generated code.
V07	Local-specific eligibility	Client is eligible for state supplied vaccine based on local specific rules and the vaccine administered is eligible for state- funding. It should only be used if the state has not published local codes for these programs.
V08	Deprecated [Not VFC eligible-underinsured]	Do not use this code. The MIROW effort determined that persons in this situation are V01, not VFC eligible. It is not necessary to differentiate this sub-class of Not VFC eligible.

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Only selected values listed. Use in MSH-9, first component.
Only these values are expected.

Value	Description	Usage in this guide
ACK	General acknowledgment	Supported
ADT	ADT message	Supported
QBP	Query by Parameter	Supported
RSP	Response to Query by parameter	Supported
VXU	Unsolicited vaccination record update	Supported

HL7-defined Table 0078 - Abnormal flags

Use in OBX-8.

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0085 - Observation result status codes interpretation

Use in OBX-11.

Fields using this code set are expected to be F for Final. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0091 - Query priority

Fields using this code set are expected to be I or empty, which indicates Immediate processing is expected. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0102 - Delayed acknowledgment type

Use in MSA-5.

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0103 - Processing ID

Use in MSH-11.

Value	Description
D	Debugging
P	Production
T	Training

HL7-defined Table 0104 - Version ID

Use in MSH-12. Only these values are expected.

Value	Description
2.5.1	Release 2.5.1 April 2007

HL7-defined Table 0105 - Source of comment

Use in NTE-2.

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0119 – Order Control Codes

Use in ORC-1.

Value	Description	Usage
OK	Order accepted & OK	Not supported
RE	Observations to follow	Supported

HL7-defined Table 0126 - Quantity limited request

Use in RCP-2.

Fields using this code set are expected to be set to RD for records. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0136 - Yes/No indicator

Use in PID-24,30; PD1-12

Value	Description
Y	Yes
N	No

In fields that may be empty, such as PD1-12 no value should be entered if the value is not Y or N. In HL7 "" means remove the previous value. If the field is empty, then it means do nothing to existing values.

Note on Null and Empty in HL7

Note that in the previous Implementation Guide, the undetermined state was signified by "" (HL7 null). This has a specific meaning in HL7. It means "change the state in the receiving system to null". The empty field means that the existing state should remain unchanged in the receiving system.

Value in Field	Meaning
""	Nullify the value recorded in the receiving system data base.

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<empty field> 	Make no changes to the record in the receiving data base. The sending system has no information on this field.

HL7-defined Table 0155 - Accept/Application acknowledgment conditions

Use in MSH-15 and 16

Value	Description
AL	Always
NE	Never
ER	Error/Reject conditions only
SU	Successful completion only

HL7-defined Table 0162 - Route of administration

Only selected values should be used. Use in RXR-1.

Note that HITSP has specified the use of the FDA route of administration. The following table maps these to the HL7 table 0162 values.

FDA NCI Thesaurus (NCIT)	HL7-0162	Description	Definition
C38238	ID	Intradermal	within or introduced between the layers of the skin
C28161	IM	Intramuscular	within or into the substance of a muscle
C38284	NS	Nasal	Given by nose
	IN	Intranasal	{Do not use this older code}
C38276	IV	Intravenous	administered into a vein
C38288	PO	Oral	administered by mouth
	OTH	Other/Miscellaneous	
C38676		Percutaneous	made, done, or effected through the skin.
C38299	SC	Subcutaneous	Under the skin or between skin and muscles.
C38305	TD	Transdermal	describes something, especially a drug, that is introduced into the body through the skin

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Example

|C28161^Intramuscular^NCIT|

|SC^Subcutaneous^HL70162|

HL7-defined Table 0163 - Administrative site

Only selected values listed. Use in RXR-2. Only these values are expected.

HITSP has recommended the use of SNOMED codes. At this point not all of these concepts have pre-coordinated SNOMED codes. The post-coordinated are longer than the nominal length of the first component of the CE data type. Therefore, this guide will continue to support the HL7 0163 codes.

SNOMED	HL7 0163	Description
	LT	Left Thigh
	LA	Left Arm
	LD	Left Deltoid
	LG	Left Gluteous Medius
	LVL	Left Vastus Lateralis
	LLFA	Left Lower Forearm
	RA	Right Arm
	RT	Right Thigh
	RVL	Right Vastus Lateralis
	RG	Right Gluteous Medius
	RD	Right Deltoid
	RLFA	Right Lower Forearm

User-defined Table 0189 - Ethnic Group

These values are consistent with the OMB Notice of revised categories for collection of race and ethnicity data and with HL7's Version 2.4. Use in PID-22, NK1-28.

US ethnicity codes	HL7 Version 2.4 ethnicity codes	Description
2135-2	H	Hispanic or Latino
2186-5	N	not Hispanic or Latino
	U	Unknown

HL7-defined Table 0190 - Address type

use in all XAD data types; including PID-11)

Value	Description
C	Current or temporary
P	Permanent
M	Mailing
B	Firm/Business
O	Office
H	Home
N	Birth (nee)
F	Country of origin
L	Legal address
BDL	Birth delivery location [<i>use for birth facility</i>]
BR	Residence at birth [<i>use for residence at birth</i>]
RH	Registry home
BA	Bad address

Recording of Birth State uses the BDL, birth delivery location code.

HL7-defined Table 0200 - Name type

Use in all XCN, XPN data types; including PID-5, 6, 9

Value	Description	Definition
A	Alias name	This is a nickname or other assumed name.
L	Legal name	This a person's official name. It is the primary name recorded in the IIS.
D	Display name	This is the preferred name displayed on a user interface.
M	Maiden name	This is a woman's name before marriage.
C	Adopted name	This is the name of a person after adoption.
B	Name at birth	This is name recorded at birth (prior to adoption).
P	Name of partner/spouse	This is the name of the partner or spouse.
U	Unspecified	This is a name of unspecified type.

HL7-defined Table 0201 - Telecommunication use code

Use in all XTN data types including PID-13,14.

Value	Description
PRN	Primary residence number
ORN	Other residence number
WPN	Work number
VHN	Vacation home number
ASN	Answering service number
EMR	Emergency number
NET	Network (email) address
BPN	Beeper number

HL7-defined Table 0202 - Telecommunication equipment type

Use in all XTN data types; including PID-13,14

Value	Description
PH	Telephone
FX	Fax
MD	Modem
CP	Cellular phone
BP	Beeper
Internet	Internet address: Use only if telecommunication use code is NET
X.400	X.400 email address: Use only if telecommunication use code is NET
TDD	Telecommunications Device for the Deaf
TTY	Teletypewriter

User-defined Table 0203 - Identifier type

Values suggested by HL7; *with CDC-suggested additions*. Use in all CX, XCN type codes; including PID-2,3,4,18,21 and RXA-10

HL7 Table 0203 - Identifier type

Value	Description	Comment
AN	Account number	An identifier that is unique to an account.
ANON	Anonymous identifier	An identifier for a living subject whose real identity is protected or suppressed Justification: For public health reporting purposes, anonymous identifiers are occasionally used for protecting patient identity in reporting certain results. For instance, a state health department may choose to use a scheme for generating an anonymous identifier for reporting a patient that has had a positive human immunodeficiency virus antibody test. Anonymous identifiers can be used in PID 3 by replacing the medical record number or other non-anonymous identifier. The assigning authority for an anonymous identifier would be the state/local health department.
ANC	Account number Creditor	Class: Financial A more precise definition of an account number: sometimes two distinct account numbers must be transmitted in the same message, one as the creditor, the other as the debtor.
AND	Account number debtor	Class: Financial A more precise definition of an account number: sometimes two distinct account numbers must be transmitted in the same message, one as the creditor, the other as the debtor.
ANT	Temporary Account Number	Class: Financial Temporary version of an Account Number. Use Case: An ancillary system that does not normally assign account numbers is the first time to register a patient. This ancillary system will generate a temporary account number that will only be used until an official account number is assigned.
APRN	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse number	An identifier that is unique to an advanced practice registered nurse within the jurisdiction of a certifying board
BA	Bank Account Number	Class: Financial
BC	Bank Card Number	Class: Financial An identifier that is unique to a person's bank card. Replaces AM, DI, DS, MS, and VS beginning in v 2.5.
BR	Birth registry number	
CC	Cost Center number	Class: Financial Use Case: needed especially for transmitting information about invoices.
CY	County number	
DDS	Dentist license number	An identifier that is unique to a dentist within the jurisdiction of the licensing board

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Value	Description	Comment
DEA	Drug Enforcement Administration registration number	An identifier for an individual or organization relative to controlled substance regulation and transactions. Use case: This is a registration number that identifies an individual or organization relative to controlled substance regulation and transactions. A DEA number has a very precise and widely accepted meaning within the United States. Surprisingly, the US Drug Enforcement Administration does not solely assign DEA numbers in the United States. Hospitals have the authority to issue DEA numbers to their medical residents. These DEA numbers are based upon the hospital's DEA number, but the authority rests with the hospital on the assignment to the residents. Thus, DEA as an Identifier Type is necessary in addition to DEA as an Assigning Authority.
DFN	Drug Furnishing or prescriptive authority Number	An identifier issued to a health care provider authorizing the person to write drug orders Use Case: A nurse practitioner has authorization to furnish or prescribe pharmaceutical substances; this identifier is in component 1.
DL	Driver's license number	
DN	Doctor number	
DPM	Podiatrist license number	An identifier that is unique to a podiatrist within the jurisdiction of the licensing board.
DO	Osteopathic License number	An identifier that is unique to an osteopath within the jurisdiction of a licensing board.
DR	Donor Registration Number	
EI	Employee number	A number that uniquely identifies an employee to an employer.
EN	Employer number	
FI	Facility ID	
GI	Guarantor internal identifier	Class: Financial
GL	General ledger number	Class: Financial
GN	Guarantor external identifier	Class: Financial
HC	Health Card Number	
JHN	Jurisdictional health number (Canada)	Class: Insurance 2 uses: a) UK jurisdictional CHI number; b) Canadian provincial health card number:
IND	Indigenous/Aboriginal	A number assigned to a member of an indigenous or aboriginal group outside of Canada.
LI	Labor and industries number	
LN	License number	
LR	Local Registry ID	
MA	Patient Medicaid number	Class: Insurance
MB	Member Number	An identifier for the insured of an insurance policy (this insured always has a subscriber), usually assigned by the insurance carrier. Use Case: Person is covered by an insurance policy. This person may or may not be the subscriber of the policy.
MC	Patient's Medicare number	Class: Insurance
MCD	Practitioner Medicaid number	Class: Insurance
MCN	Microchip Number	
MCR	Practitioner Medicare number	Class: Insurance

Value	Description	Comment
MD	Medical License number	An identifier that is unique to a medical doctor within the jurisdiction of a licensing board. Use Case: These license numbers are sometimes used as identifiers. In some states, the same authority issues all three identifiers, e.g., medical, osteopathic, and physician assistant licenses all issued by one state medical board. For this case, the CX data type requires distinct identifier types to accurately interpret component 1. Additionally, the distinction among these license types is critical in most health care settings (this is not to convey full licensing information, which requires a segment to support all related attributes).
MI	Military ID number	A number assigned to an individual who has had military duty, but is not currently on active duty. The number is assigned by the DOD or Veterans' Affairs (VA).
MR	Medical record number	An identifier that is unique to a patient within a set of medical records, not necessarily unique within an application.
MRT	Temporary Medical Record Number	Temporary version of a Medical Record Number Use Case: An ancillary system that does not normally assign medical record numbers is the first time to register a patient. This ancillary system will generate a temporary medical record number that will only be used until an official medical record number is assigned.
NE	National employer identifier	In the US, the Assigning Authority for this value is typically CMS, but it may be used by all providers and insurance companies in HIPAA related transactions.
NH	National Health Plan Identifier	Class: Insurance Used for the UK NHS national identifier. In the US, the Assigning Authority for this value is typically CMS, but it may be used by all providers and insurance companies in HIPAA related transactions.
NI	National unique individual identifier	Class: Insurance In the US, the Assigning Authority for this value is typically CMS, but it may be used by all providers and insurance companies in HIPAA related transactions.
NII	National Insurance Organization Identifier	Class: Insurance In Germany a national identifier for an insurance company. It is printed on the insurance card (health card). It is not to be confused with the health card number itself.
NIIP	National Insurance Payor Identifier (Payor)	Class: Insurance Use case: a subdivision issues the card with their identifier, but the main division is going to pay the invoices.
NNxxx	National Person Identifier where the xxx is the ISO table 3166 3-character (alphabetic) country code	
NP	Nurse practitioner number	An identifier that is unique to a nurse practitioner within the jurisdiction of a certifying board.
NPI	National provider identifier	Class: Insurance In the US, the Assigning Authority for this value is typically CMS, but it may be used by all providers and insurance companies in HIPAA related transactions.

Value	Description	Comment
OD	Optometrist license number	A number that is unique to an individual optometrist within the jurisdiction of the licensing board.
PA	Physician Assistant number	An identifier that is unique to a physician assistant within the jurisdiction of a licensing board
PCN	Penitentiary/correctional institution Number	A number assigned to individual who is incarcerated.
PE	Living Subject Enterprise Number	An identifier that is unique to a living subject within an enterprise (as identified by the Assigning Authority).
PEN	Pension Number	
PI	Patient internal identifier	A number that is unique to a patient within an Assigning Authority.
PN	Person number	A number that is unique to a living subject within an Assigning Authority.
PNT	Temporary Living Subject Number	Temporary version of a Lining Subject Number.
PPN	Passport number	A unique number assigned to the document affirming that a person is a citizen of the country. In the US this number is issued only by the State Department.
PRC	Permanent Resident Card Number	
PRN	Provider number	A number that is unique to an individual provider, a provider group or an organization within an Assigning Authority. Use case: This allows PRN to represent either an individual (a nurse) or a group/organization (orthopedic surgery team).
PT	Patient external identifier	
QA	QA number	
RI	Resource identifier	A generalized resource identifier. Use Case: An identifier type is needed to accommodate what are commonly known as resources. The resources can include human (e.g. a respiratory therapist), non-human (e.g., a companion animal), inanimate object (e.g., an exam room), organization (e.g., diabetic education class) or any other physical or logical entity.
RPH	Pharmacist license number	An identifier that is unique to a pharmacist within the jurisdiction of the licensing board.
RN	Registered Nurse Number	An identifier that is unique to a registered nurse within the jurisdiction of the licensing board.
RR	Railroad Retirement number	
RRI	Regional registry ID	
SL	State license	
SN	Subscriber Number	Class: Insurance An identifier for a subscriber of an insurance policy which is unique for, and usually assigned by, the insurance carrier. Use Case: A person is the subscriber of an insurance policy. The person's family may be plan members, but are not the subscriber.
SR	State registry ID	
SS	Social Security number	
TAX	Tax ID number	
U	Unspecified identifier	
UPIN	Medicare/CMS (formerly HCFA)'s Universal Physician Identification numbers	Class: Insurance
VN	Visit number	
WC	WIC identifier	

Value	Description	Comment
WCN	Workers' Comp Number	
XX	Organization identifier	

User-defined Table 0204 - Organizational name type

Values suggested by HL7 Use in all XON data types

Value	Description
L	Legal name
D	Display name

HL7-defined Table 0207 - Processing mode

Use in MSH-11

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

User-defined Table 0208 - Query response status

Values suggested by HL7. Use in QAK-2)

Value	Description
OK	Data found, no errors (this is the default)
NF	No data found, no errors
AE	Application error
AR	Application reject
TM	Too many candidates found

HL7-defined Table 0211 - Alternate character sets

Use in MSH-18

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

User-defined Table 0215 - Publicity code

Values suggested by CDC. (use in PD1-11)

Value	Description
01	No reminder/recall
02	Reminder/recall - any method
03	Reminder/recall - no calls
04	Reminder only - any method
05	Reminder only - no calls
06	Recall only - any method
07	Recall only - no calls
08	Reminder/recall - to provider
09	Reminder to provider
10	Only reminder to provider, no recall
11	Recall to provider
12	Only recall to provider, no reminder

User-defined Table 0220 - Living arrangement

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0227 - Manufacturers of vaccines (code = MVX)

(use in RXA-17) The table below represents the February 2010 version of the MVX code set. The CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD) maintains the HL7 external code set MVX.

<http://www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/IIS/IISStandards/vaccines.asp?rpt=mvx>³⁵

NOTE: The MVX table reflects name changes and changes in corporate status. Where there have been company mergers/acquisitions, the affected old codes have been labeled "inactive. The inactive manufacturer codes are retained to allow manufacturer to be identified for historic immunization records. They should not be used for current immunizations. Inactive codes should not be cross-walked to the code for the current manufacturer.

alphabetized by manufacturer name

MVX CODE	Manufacturer Name	Notes	Status
AB	Abbott Laboratories	includes Ross Products Division, Solvay	Active
ACA	Acambis, Inc	acquired by sanofi in sept 2008	Inactive
AD	Adams Laboratories, Inc.		Active
ALP	Alpha Therapeutic Corporation		Active

³⁵ This link is current as of 2/15/2011.

AR	Armour	part of CSL	Inactive
AVB	Aventis Behring L.L.C.	part of CSL	Inactive
AVI	Aviron	acquired by Medimmune	Inactive
BA	Baxter Healthcare Corporation- inactive		Inactive
BAH	Baxter Healthcare Corporation	includes Hyland Immuno, Immuno International AG, and North American Vaccine, Inc./acquired some assets from alpha therapeutics	Active
BAY	Bayer Corporation	Bayer Biologicals now owned by Talecris	Inactive
BP	Berna Products		Inactive
BPC	Berna Products Corporation	includes Swiss Serum and Vaccine Institute Berne	Active
BTP	Biotest Pharmaceuticals Corporation	New owner of NABI HB as of December 2007, Does NOT replace NABI Biopharmaceuticals in this code list.	Active
MIP	Emergent BioDefense Operations Lansing	Bioport renamed. Formerly Michigan Biologic Products Institute	Active
CSL	CSL Behring, Inc	CSL Biotherapies renamed to CSL Behring	Active
CNJ	Cangene Corporation		Active
CMP	Celltech Medeva Pharmaceuticals	Part of Novartis	Inactive
CEN	Centeon L.L.C.		Inactive
CHI	Chiron Corporation	Part of Novartis	Inactive
CON	Connaught	acquired by Merieux	Inactive
DVC	DynPort Vaccine Company, LLC		Active
EVN	Evans Medical Limited	Part of Novartis	Inactive
GEO	GeoVax Labs, Inc.		Active
SKB	GlaxoSmithKline	includes SmithKline Beecham and Glaxo Wellcome	Active
GRE	Greer Laboratories, Inc.		Active
IAG	Immuno International AG	Part of Baxter	Inactive
IUS	Immuno-U.S., Inc.		Active
INT	Intercell Biomedical		Active
KGC	Korea Green Cross Corporation		Active
LED	Lederle	became a part of WAL, now owned by Pfizer	Inactive
MBL	Massachusetts Biologic Laboratories	formerly Massachusetts Public Health Biologic Laboratories	Active
MA	Massachusetts Public Health Biologic Laboratories		Inactive

MED	MedImmune, Inc.	acquired U.S. Bioscience in 1999 and Aviron in 2002, integrated with Cambridge Antibody Technology strategic alignment with new parent company, AstraZeneca, in 2007.	Active
MSD	Merck & Co., Inc.		Active
IM	Merieux	Part of sanofi	Inactive
MIL	Miles		Inactive
NAB	NABI	formerly North American Biologicals, Inc.	Active
NYB	New York Blood Center		Active
NAV	North American Vaccine, Inc.	part of Baxter	Inactive
NOV	Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporation	includes Chiron, PowderJect Pharmaceuticals, Celltech Medeva Vaccines and Evans Limited, Ciba-Geigy Limited and Sandoz Limited	Active
NVX	Novavax, Inc.		Active
OTC	Organon Teknika Corporation		Active
ORT	Ortho-clinical Diagnostics	a J & J company (formerly Ortho Diagnostic Systems, Inc.)	Active
PD	Parkedale Pharmaceuticals	no website and no news articles (formerly Parke-Davis)	Inactive
PWJ	PowderJect Pharmaceuticals	See Novartis	Inactive
PRX	Praxis Biologics	became a part of WAL, now owned by Pfizer	Inactive
JPN	The Research Foundation for Microbial Diseases of Osaka University (BIKEN)		Active
PMC	sanofi pasteur	formerly Aventis Pasteur, Pasteur Merieux Connaught; includes Connaught Laboratories and Pasteur Merieux. Acquired ACAMBIS.	Active
SCL	Sclavo, Inc.		Active
SOL	Solvay Pharmaceuticals	Part of Abbott	Inactive
SI	Swiss Serum and Vaccine Inst.	Part of Berna	Inactive
TAL	Talecris Biotherapeutics	includes Bayer Biologicals	Active
USA	United States Army Medical Research and Material Command		Active
VXG	VaxGen	acquired by Emergent Biodefense Operations Lansing, Inc	Inactive
WA	Wyeth-Ayerst	became WAL, now owned by Pfizer	Inactive
WAL	Wyeth	acquired by Pfizer 10/15/2009	Active
ZLB	ZLB Behring	acquired by CSL	Inactive
OTH	Other manufacturer		Active
UNK	Unknown manufacturer		Active

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AKR	Akorn, Inc		Active
PFR	Pfizer, Inc	includes Wyeth-Lederle Vaccines and Pediatrics, Wyeth Laboratories, Lederle Laboratories, and Praxis Biologics,	Active
BRR	Barr Laboratories	Subsidiary of Teva Pharmaceuticals	Active

User-defined Table 0288 - Census tract

Use in all XAD; including PID-11

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

User-defined Table 0289 - County/parish

Use in all XAD; including PID-11

A complete list of FIPS 6-4 county codes is available at

<https://phinvads.cdc.gov/vads/ViewValueSet.action?id=20D34BBC-617F-DD11-B38D-00188B398520>

For example:

04001 = Apache County, Arizona

01001 = Autauga County, Alabama

HL7-defined Table 0292 - Codes for Vaccines administered (code=CVX)

Use in RXA-5

The table below represents the August 2011 version of the CVX code set. New codes are added as needed; therefore, see the most current version of this code set at the website Web site: <http://www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/IIS/IISStandards/vaccines.asp?rpt=cvx>³⁶

The CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD) maintains the HL7 external code set CVX.

CVX – Vaccines Administered

CVX Code	Short Description	Full Vaccine Name	Note	Vaccine Status
99	RESERVED - do not use	RESERVED - do not use	Code 99 will not be used in this table to avoid confusion with code 999.	Inactive
998	no vaccine administered	no vaccine administered	Code 998 was added for use in VXU HL7 messages where the OBX segment is nested with the RXA segment, but the message does not contain information about a vaccine administration. An example of this use is to report the vaccines due next for a patient when no vaccine administration is being reported.	Inactive
999	unknown	unknown vaccine or immune globulin	This CVX code has little utility and should rarely be used.	Inactive
143	Adenovirus types 4 and 7	Adenovirus, type 4 and type 7, live, oral	This vaccine is administered as 2 tablets.	Active
54	adenovirus, type 4	adenovirus vaccine, type 4, live, oral		Inactive
55	adenovirus, type 7	adenovirus vaccine, type 7, live, oral		Inactive

³⁶ Link is current as of 8/1/2011.

82	adenovirus, unspecified formulation	adenovirus vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of adenovirus vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an adenovirus vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
24	anthrax	anthrax vaccine		Active
19	BCG	Bacillus Calmette-Guerin vaccine		Active
27	botulinum antitoxin	botulinum antitoxin		Active
26	cholera	cholera vaccine		Inactive
29	CMVIG	cytomegalovirus immune globulin, intravenous		Active
56	dengue fever	dengue fever vaccine		Never Active
12	diphtheria antitoxin	diphtheria antitoxin		Active
28	DT (pediatric)	diphtheria and tetanus toxoids, adsorbed for pediatric use		Active
20	DTaP	diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine		Active
106	DTaP, 5 pertussis antigens	diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine, 5 pertussis antigens		Active
107	DTaP, unspecified formulation	diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of DTaP vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an DTaP vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
110	DTaP-Hep B-IPV	DTaP-hepatitis B and poliovirus vaccine		Active
50	DTaP-Hib	DTaP-Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine		Active

120	DTaP-Hib-IPV	diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine, Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate, and poliovirus vaccine, inactivated (DTaP-Hib-IPV)		Active
130	DTaP-IPV	Diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine, and poliovirus vaccine, inactivated		Active
132	DTaP-IPV-HIB-HEP B, historical	Historical record of vaccine containing * diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis, * poliovirus, inactivated, * Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate, * Hepatitis B (DTaP-Hib-IPV)		Inactive
01	DTP	diphtheria, tetanus toxoids and pertussis vaccine		Inactive
22	DTP-Hib	DTP-Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine		Inactive
102	DTP-Hib-Hep B	DTP- Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate and hepatitis b vaccine		Inactive
57	hantavirus	hantavirus vaccine		Never Active
30	HBIG	hepatitis B immune globulin		Active
52	Hep A, adult	hepatitis A vaccine, adult dosage		Active
83	Hep A, ped/adol, 2 dose	hepatitis A vaccine, pediatric/adolescent dosage, 2 dose schedule		Active
84	Hep A, ped/adol, 3 dose	hepatitis A vaccine, pediatric/adolescent dosage, 3 dose schedule	This vaccine formulation is inactive and should not be used, except to record historic vaccinations with this formulation.	Inactive

31	Hep A, pediatric, unspecified formulation	hepatitis A vaccine, pediatric dosage, unspecified formulation	Do NOT use this code. If formulation is unknown, use CVX 85. There is only one formulation of Hep A, peds.	Inactive
85	Hep A, unspecified formulation	hepatitis A vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of Hep A vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an Hep A vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
104	Hep A-Hep B	hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccine		Active
08	Hep B, adolescent or pediatric	hepatitis B vaccine, pediatric or pediatric/adolescent dosage	This code applies to any standard pediatric formulation of Hepatitis B vaccine. It should not be used for the 2-dose hepatitis B schedule for adolescents (11-15 year olds). It requires Merck's Recombivax HB® adult formulation. Use code 43 for that vaccine.	Active
42	Hep B, adolescent/high risk infant	hepatitis B vaccine, adolescent/high risk infant dosage	As of August 27, 1998, Merck ceased distribution of their adolescent/high risk infant hepatitis B vaccine dosage. Code 42 should only be used to record historical records. For current administration of hepatitis B vaccine, pediatric/adolescent dosage, use code 08.	Inactive

43	Hep B, adult	hepatitis B vaccine, adult dosage	As of September 1999, a 2-dose hepatitis B schedule for adolescents (11-15 year olds) was FDA approved for Merck's Recombivax HB® adult formulation. Use code 43 for the 2-dose. This code should be used for any use of standard adult formulation of hepatitis B vaccine.	Active
44	Hep B, dialysis	hepatitis B vaccine, dialysis patient dosage		Active
45	Hep B, unspecified formulation	hepatitis B vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of hepatitis B vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of a Hep B vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
58	Hep C	hepatitis C vaccine		Never Active
59	Hep E	hepatitis E vaccine		Never Active
60	herpes simplex 2	herpes simplex virus, type 2 vaccine		Never Active
47	Hib (HbOC)	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine, HbOC conjugate		Inactive
46	Hib (PRP-D)	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine, PRP-D conjugate		Inactive
49	Hib (PRP-OMP)	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine, PRP-OMP conjugate		Active
48	Hib (PRP-T)	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine, PRP-T conjugate		Active
17	Hib, unspecified formulation	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine, conjugate unspecified formulation		Inactive
51	Hib-Hep B	Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate and Hepatitis B vaccine		Active
61	HIV	human immunodeficiency virus vaccine		Never Active

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118	HPV, bivalent	human papilloma virus vaccine, bivalent		Active
62	HPV, quadrivalent	human papilloma virus vaccine, quadrivalent		Active
137	HPV, unspecified formulation	HPV, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of HPV vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an HPV vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
86	IG	immune globulin, intramuscular		Active
14	IG, unspecified formulation	immune globulin, unspecified formulation		Inactive
87	IGIV	immune globulin, intravenous		Active
123	influenza, H5N1-1203	influenza virus vaccine, H5N1, A/Vietnam/1203/2004 (national stockpile)		Inactive
135	Influenza, high dose seasonal	influenza, high dose seasonal, preservative-free		Active
111	influenza, live, intranasal	influenza virus vaccine, live, attenuated, for intranasal use	Seasonal Influenza	Active
141	Influenza, seasonal, injectable	Influenza, seasonal, injectable	This is one of two codes replacing CVX 15, which is being retired.	Active
140	Influenza, seasonal, injectable, preservative free	Influenza, seasonal, injectable, preservative free	This vaccine code is one of two which replace CVX 15, influenza, split virus.	Active
144	influenza, seasonal, intradermal, preservative free	seasonal influenza, intradermal, preservative free		Active
15	influenza, split (incl. purified surface antigen)	influenza virus vaccine, split virus (incl. purified surface antigen)-retired CODE	This code is being retired. It will still be found in older immunization records. It included both preservative free and non-preservative free.	Inactive

88	influenza, unspecified formulation	influenza virus vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of seasonal flu vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an seasonal flu vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
16	influenza, whole	influenza virus vaccine, whole virus		Inactive
10	IPV	poliovirus vaccine, inactivated		Active
134	Japanese Encephalitis IM	Japanese Encephalitis vaccine for intramuscular administration		Active
39	Japanese encephalitis SC	Japanese Encephalitis Vaccine SC		Active
129	Japanese Encephalitis, unspecified formulation	Japanese Encephalitis vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of JE vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an JE vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
63	Junin virus	Junin virus vaccine		Never Active
64	leishmaniasis	leishmaniasis vaccine		Never Active
65	leprosy	leprosy vaccine		Never Active
66	Lyme disease	Lyme disease vaccine		Inactive
04	M/R	measles and rubella virus vaccine		Inactive
67	malaria	malaria vaccine		Never Active
05	measles	measles virus vaccine		Inactive
68	melanoma	melanoma vaccine		Never Active
103	meningococcal C conjugate	meningococcal C conjugate vaccine		Inactive

136	Meningococcal MCV4O	meningococcal oligosaccharide (groups A, C, Y and W-135) diphtheria toxoid conjugate vaccine (MCV4O)		Active
114	meningococcal MCV4P	meningococcal polysaccharide (groups A, C, Y and W-135) diphtheria toxoid conjugate vaccine (MCV4P)		Active
32	meningococcal MPSV4	meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine (MPSV4)		Active
108	meningococcal, unspecified formulation	meningococcal vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of meningococcal vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of meningococcal vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
03	MMR	measles, mumps and rubella virus vaccine		Active
94	MMRV	measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella virus vaccine		Active
07	mumps	mumps virus vaccine		Active
127	Novel influenza-H1N1-09	Novel influenza-H1N1-09, injectable		Inactive
128	Novel Influenza-H1N1-09, all formulations	Novel influenza-H1N1-09, all formulations	This code is used whenever the actual formulation is not determined or when aggregating all Novel H1N1 Influenza-09 immunizations for reporting to CRA. It should not be used for seasonal influenza vaccine that is not otherwise specified. (NOS)	Inactive
125	Novel Influenza-H1N1-09, nasal	Novel Influenza-H1N1-09, live virus for nasal administration		Inactive
126	Novel influenza-H1N1-09, preservative-free	Novel influenza-H1N1-09, preservative-free, injectable		Inactive
02	OPV	poliovirus vaccine, live, oral		Inactive

69	parainfluenza-3	parainfluenza-3 virus vaccine		Inactive
11	pertussis	pertussis vaccine		Inactive
23	plague	plague vaccine		Active
133	Pneumococcal conjugate PCV 13	pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, 13 valent		Active
100	pneumococcal conjugate PCV 7	pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, 7 valent		Active
33	pneumococcal polysaccharide PPV23	pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine, 23 valent		Active
109	pneumococcal, unspecified formulation	pneumococcal vaccine, unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of pneumococcal vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an pneumococcal vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
89	polio, unspecified formulation	poliovirus vaccine, unspecified formulation		Inactive
70	Q fever	Q fever vaccine		Never Active
40	rabies, intradermal injection	rabies vaccine, for intradermal injection		Active
18	rabies, intramuscular injection	rabies vaccine, for intramuscular injection		Active
90	rabies, unspecified formulation	rabies vaccine, unspecified formulation		Inactive
72	rheumatic fever	rheumatic fever vaccine		Never Active
73	Rift Valley fever	Rift Valley fever vaccine		Never Active
34	RIG	rabies immune globulin		Active
119	rotavirus, monovalent	rotavirus, live, monovalent vaccine		Active
116	rotavirus, pentavalent	rotavirus, live, pentavalent vaccine		Active
74	rotavirus, tetravalent	rotavirus, live, tetravalent vaccine		Inactive
122	rotavirus, unspecified formulation	rotavirus vaccine, unspecified formulation		Inactive

71	RSV-IGIV	respiratory syncytial virus immune globulin, intravenous		Active
93	RSV-MAB	respiratory syncytial virus monoclonal antibody (palivizumab), intramuscular		Active
06	rubella	rubella virus vaccine		Active
38	rubella/mumps	rubella and mumps virus vaccine		Inactive
76	Staphylococcus bacterio lysate	Staphylococcus bacteriophage lysate		Inactive
138	Td (adult)	tetanus and diphtheria toxoids, not adsorbed, for adult use	Note that this Td is not adsorbed.	Active
113	Td (adult) preservative free	tetanus and diphtheria toxoids, adsorbed, preservative free, for adult use		Active
09	Td (adult), adsorbed	tetanus and diphtheria toxoids, adsorbed, for adult use	Note that this vaccine name has changed. See also Td (adult). It is not adsorbed.	Active
139	Td(adult) unspecified formulation	Td(adult) unspecified formulation	This CVX code is intended to allow reporting of Td vaccinations where the formulation is not known. For example, this may occur if a historic record of an Td vaccination is recorded from a vaccination card.	Inactive
115	Tdap	tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid, and acellular pertussis vaccine, adsorbed		Active
35	tetanus toxoid, adsorbed	tetanus toxoid, adsorbed		Active
142	tetanus toxoid, not adsorbed	tetanus toxoid, not adsorbed		Active
112	tetanus toxoid, unspecified formulation	tetanus toxoid, unspecified formulation		Inactive
77	tick-borne encephalitis	tick-borne encephalitis vaccine		Inactive
13	TIG	tetanus immune globulin		Active
98	TST, unspecified formulation	tuberculin skin test; unspecified formulation	TB Skin test is not vaccine.	Inactive

95	TST-OT tine test	tuberculin skin test; old tuberculin, multipuncture device	TB Skin test is not vaccine.	Inactive
96	TST-PPD intradermal	tuberculin skin test; purified protein derivative solution, intradermal	TB Skin test is not vaccine.	Inactive
97	TST-PPD tine test	tuberculin skin test; purified protein derivative, multipuncture device	TB Skin test is not vaccine.	Inactive
78	tularemia vaccine	tularemia vaccine		Inactive
25	typhoid, oral	typhoid vaccine, live, oral		Active
41	typhoid, parenteral	typhoid vaccine, parenteral, other than acetone-killed, dried		Active
53	typhoid, parenteral, AKD (U.S. military)	typhoid vaccine, parenteral, acetone-killed, dried (U.S. military)		Active
91	typhoid, unspecified formulation	typhoid vaccine, unspecified formulation		Inactive
101	typhoid, ViCPs	typhoid Vi capsular polysaccharide vaccine		Active
131	typhus, historical	Historical record of a typhus vaccination		Inactive
75	vaccinia (smallpox)	vaccinia (smallpox) vaccine		Active
105	vaccinia (smallpox) diluted	vaccinia (smallpox) vaccine, diluted		Inactive
79	vaccinia immune globulin	vaccinia immune globulin		Active
21	varicella	varicella virus vaccine		Active
81	VEE, inactivated	Venezuelan equine encephalitis, inactivated		Inactive
80	VEE, live	Venezuelan equine encephalitis, live, attenuated		Inactive
92	VEE, unspecified formulation	Venezuelan equine encephalitis vaccine, unspecified formulation		Inactive
36	VZIG	varicella zoster immune globulin		Active
117	VZIG (IND)	varicella zoster immune globulin (Investigational New Drug)		Inactive
37	yellow fever	yellow fever vaccine		Active
121	zoster	zoster vaccine, live		Active

User-defined Table 0296 - Language

ISO 639 shall be used for Language. It is available from PHIN-VADS at:
<http://phinvads.cdc.gov/vads/ViewValueSet.action?id=43D34BBC-617F-DD11-B38D-00188B398520#>

The code used from HL70396 table is ISO6392.

Example codes are found in the table below, but use is not restricted to this list.

Value	Description
ara	Arabic
arm	Armenian
cat	Catalan; Valencian
chi	Chinese
dan	Danish
eng	English
fre	French
ger	German
hat	Haitian; Haitian Creole
heb	Hebrew
hin	Hindi
hmn	Hmong
jpn	Japanese
kor	Korean
rus	Russian
som	Somali
spa	Spanish; Castilian
vie	Vietnamese

User-defined Table 0297 - CN ID source

Use in all XCN data types. [locally-defined]

User-defined Table 0300 - Namespace ID

Use in all EI, HD data types
[locally-defined]

See tables 0361-0363 for Application Identifier, Facility Identifier, and Assigning Authority. These tables are more specific than 0300 and are preferred.
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HL7-defined Table 0301 - Universal ID type

Use in all HD data types

Value	Description
DNS	An Internet dotted name -- either in ASCII or as integers.
GUID	Same as UUID.
HCD	The CEN Healthcare Coding Scheme Designator. (Identifiers used in DICOM follow this assignment scheme.)
HL7	Reserved for future HL7 registration schemes.
ISO	An International Standards Organization Object Identifier.
L,M,N	These are reserved for locally defined coding schemes.
Random	Usually a base64 encoded string of random bits. The uniqueness depends on the length of the bits. Mail systems often generate ASCII string "unique names," from a combination of random bits and system names. Obviously, such identifiers will not be constrained to the base64 character set.
UUID	The DCE Universal Unique Identifier.
x400	An X.400 MHS format identifier.
x500	An X.500 directory name.

HL7-defined Table 0322 - Completion status

Use in RXA-20

Value	Description
CP	Complete
RE	Refused
NA	Not Administered
PA	Partially Administered

HL7-defined Table 0323 - Action code

Use in RXA-21

Value	Description
A	Add
D	Delete
U	Update

HL7-defined Table 0354 - Message structure

Use in MSH-9, third component. [only selected values listed] These are the only values expected.

Value	Events
ACK	ACK
QBP_Q11	QBP
RSP_K11	RSP
VXU_V04	VXU

HL7-defined Table 0356 - Alternate character set handling scheme

Use in MSH-20

Fields using this code set are expected to be empty. For a current list of HL7 values please reference the HL7 version 2.5.1 documents.

HL7-defined Table 0357 - Message error status codes

(use in ERR-3)

Status code	Status text	Description/Comment
<i>Success</i>		
0	Message accepted	Success. Optional, as the AA conveys this. Used for systems that must always return a status code.
<i>Error status codes</i>		
100	Segment sequence error	The message segments were not in the proper order or required segments are missing.
101	Required field missing	A required field is missing from the segment.
102	Data type error	The field contained data of the wrong data type, e.g., an NM field contained letters of the alphabet.
103	Table value not found	A field of data type ID or IS was compared against the corresponding table, and no match was found.
<i>Rejection status codes</i>		
200	Unsupported message type	The Message type is not supported.
201	Unsupported event code	The Event Code is not supported.
202	Unsupported processing ID	The Processing ID is not supported.
203	Unsupported version ID	The Version ID is not supported.
204	Unknown key identifier	The ID of the patient, order, etc. was not found. Used for transactions <i>other</i> than additions, e.g., transfer of a non-existent patient.

Status code	Status text	Description/Comment
205	Duplicate key identifier	The ID of the patient, order, etc. already exists. Used in response to addition transactions (Admit, New Order, etc.).
206	Application record locked	The transaction could not be performed at the application storage level, e.g., database locked.
207	Application internal error	A catchall for internal errors not explicitly covered by other codes.

User-defined Table 0360 – Degree

Selected values suggested by HL7. ; (use in all XPN data types, including PID-5, 6, 9)

Value	Description
PN	<i>Advanced Practice Nurse</i>
AA	Associate of Arts
AS	Associate of Science
BA	Bachelor of Arts
BN	Bachelor of Nursing
BS	Bachelor of Science
BSN	<i>Bachelor of Science in Nursing</i>
CER	Certificate
CANP	<i>Certified Adult Nurse Practitioner</i>
CMA	<i>Certified Medical Assistant</i>
CNP	<i>Certified Nurse Practitioner</i>
CNM	<i>Certified Nurse Midwife</i>
CNA	<i>Certified Nurse's Assistant</i>
CRN	<i>Certified Registered Nurse</i>
CNS	<i>Certified Nurse Specialist</i>
CPNP	<i>Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner</i>
DIP	Diploma
PHD	Doctor of Philosophy
MD	Doctor of Medicine
DO	Doctor of Osteopathy
EMT	<i>Emergency Medical Technician</i>
EMT-P	<i>Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic</i>
FPNP	<i>Family Practice Nurse Practitioner</i>
HS	High School Graduate
JD	Juris Doctor
LPN	<i>Licensed Practical Nurse</i>
MA	Master of Arts
MBA	Master of Business Administration
MPH	<i>Master of Public Health</i>
MS	Master of Science
MSN	<i>Master of Science – Nursing</i>
MDA	<i>Medical Assistant</i>
MT	<i>Medical Technician</i>
NG	Non-Graduate
NP	<i>Nurse Practitioner</i>
PharmD	<i>Doctor of Pharmacy</i>
PA	<i>Physician Assistant</i>

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Value	Description
<i>PHN</i>	<i>Public Health Nurse</i>
<i>RMA</i>	<i>Registered Medical Assistant</i>
<i>RN</i>	<i>Registered Nurse</i>
<i>RPH</i>	<i>Registered Pharmacist</i>
SEC	Secretarial Certificate
TS	Trade School Graduate

User-defined Table 0361 – Application

No suggested values defined.

User-defined Table 0362 – Facility

No suggested values defined.

User-defined Table 0363 – Assigning Authority

Local implementations will need to add codes to this table to identify local assigning authorities. The values in this table are intended to be used by state and regional immunization programs.

Code	Grantee
AKA	ALASKA
ALA	ALABAMA
ARA	ARKANSAS
ASA	AMERICAN SAMOA
AZA	ARIZONA
BAA	NEW YORK CITY
CAA	CALIFORNIA
CHA	CHICAGO
COA	COLORADO
CTA	CONNECTICUT
DCA	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEA	DELAWARE
FLA	FLORIDA
FMA	FED STATES MICRO
GAA	GEORGIA
GUA	GUAM
HIA	HAWAII
IAA	IOWA

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IDA	IDAHO
ILA	ILLINOIS
INA	INDIANA
KSA	KANSAS
KYA	KENTUCKY
LAA	LOUISIANA
MAA	MASSACHUSETTS
MDA	MARYLAND
MEA	MAINE
MHA	REP MARS ISLANDS
MIA	MICHIGAN
MNA	MINNESOTA
MOA	MISSOURI
MPA	NO. MARIANA ISLAND
MSA	MISSISSIPPI
MTA	MONTANA
NCA	NORTH CAROLINA
NDA	NORTH DAKOTA
NEA	NEBRASKA
NHA	NEW HAMPSHIRE
NJA	NEW JERSEY
NMA	NEW MEXICO
NVA	NEVADA
NYA	NEW YORK STATE
OHA	OHIO
OKA	OKLAHOMA
ORA	OREGON
PAA	PENNSYLVANIA
PHA	PHILADELPHIA
PRA	PUERTO RICO
RIA	RHODE ISLAND
RPA	REPUBLIC PALAU
SCA	SOUTH CAROLINA
SDA	SOUTH DAKOTA
TBA	SAN ANTONIO
THA	HOUSTON
TNA	TENNESSEE
TXA	TEXAS
UTA	UTAH
VAA	VIRGINIA
VIA	VIRGIN ISLANDS
VT A	VERMONT

WAA	WASHINGTON
WIA	WISCONSIN
WVA	WEST VIRGINIA
WYA	WYOMING

User-defined Table 0396 – Coding system

[only selected values listed] See Version 2.5.1 Table 0396 for other values. Use in CE data types to denote the coding system used for coded values

Value	Description
99zzz or L	Local general code (where z is an alphanumeric character)
ART	WHO Adverse Reaction Terms
C4	CPT-4
C5	CPT-5
CDCA	CDC Analyte Codes
CDCM	CDC Methods/Instruments Codes
CDCPHINVS	PHIN VS (CDC Local Coding System)
CDS	CDC Surveillance
CPTM	CPT Modifier Code
CST	COSTART
CVX	CDC Vaccine Codes
E	EUCLIDES
E5	Euclides quantity codes
E6	Euclides Lab method codes
E7	Euclides Lab equipment codes
ENZC	Enzyme Codes
HB	HIBCC
HCPCS	HCFA Common Procedure Coding System
HHC	Home Health Care
HL7nnnn	HL7 Defined Codes where nnnn is the HL7 table number
HPC	HCFA Procedure Codes (HCPCS)
I10	ICD-10
I10P	ICD-10 Procedure Codes
I9	ICD9
I9C	ICD-9CM
ISOnnnn	ISO Defined Codes where nnnn is the ISO table number
LB	Local billing code
LN	Logical Observation Identifier Names and Codes (LOINC®)
MCD	Medicaid
MCR	Medicare
MEDR	Medical Dictionary for Drug Regulatory Affairs (MEDDRA)
MVX	CDC Vaccine Manufacturer Codes
NDC	National drug codes
NCIT	NCI Thesaurus
NPI	National Provider Identifier
SNM	Systemized Nomenclature of Medicine (SNOMED®)
SCT	SNOMED Clinical Terminology
SCT2	SNOMED Clinical Terms alphanumeric codes
SNM3	SNOMED International
SNT	SNOMED topology codes (anatomic sites)

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Value	Description
UML	Unified Medical Language
UPC	Universal Product Code
UPIN	UPIN
W1	WHO record # drug codes (6 digit)
W2	WHO record # drug codes (8 digit)
W4	WHO record # code with ASTM extension
WC	WHO ATC

User-defined Table 0441 - Immunization registry status

Use in PD1-16.

Value	Description
A	Active
I	Inactive--Unspecified
L	Inactive-Lost to follow-up (cannot contact)
M	Inactive-Moved or gone elsewhere (transferred)
P	Inactive-Permanently inactive (do not re-activate or add new entries to this record)
U	Unknown

The code O (Other) has been removed, do not use

User-defined Table 0471 – Query Name

Value	Description
Z34	Request Immunization History

HL7 Table 0516 - Error Severity (use in ERR-4)

Value	Description	Comment
W	Warning	Transaction successful, but there may be issues. These may include non-fatal errors with potential for loss of data.
I	Information	Transaction successful, but includes returned information.
E	Error	Transaction was not successful.

User-defined Table 0533 – Application Error Code

There are no suggested values for this code. Local implementations need to create a table of local application error codes.

CDC-defined NIP001 - Immunization information source

Use in RXA-9

Value	Description
00	New immunization record
01	Historical information - source unspecified
02	Historical information - from other provider
03	Historical information - from parent's written record
04	Historical information - from parent's recall
05	Historical information - from other registry
06	Historical information - from birth certificate
07	Historical information - from school record
08	Historical information - from public agency

CDC-defined NIP002 - Substance refusal reason

Use in RXA-18

Value	Description
00	<i>Parental decision</i>
01	<i>Religious exemption</i>
02	<i>Other (must add text component of the CE field with description)</i>
03	<i>Patient decision</i>

CDC-defined NIP003 - Observation identifiers

Use in OBX-3)³⁷

LOINC® Code ³⁸	Description	Corresponding data type (indicate in OBX-2)	Corresponding observation value EXAMPLE OR code table to use (value in OBX-5)
Vaccine Funding Program Eligibility Category —Use in OBX-3 to indicate that OBX-5 will contain the funding program eligibility category for a given immunization.			
64994-7	Vaccine funding program eligibility category	(CE)	HL70064
Vaccine Funding Source – Use in OBX-3 to indicate that OBX-5 will contain the funding source for a given immunization.			
30963-3	Vaccine funding source	(CE)	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3287 Value Set Code:: PHVS_ImmunizationFundingSource_IIS
Vaccine Type Identifier			
30956-7	Vaccine Type (Vaccine group or family)	(CE)	HL70292 (CVX codes – use the codes described as “unspecified formulation” as needed.)
38890-0	Component Vaccine Type	(CE)	HL70292 (CVX codes – use the codes described as “unspecified formulation” as needed.)
Contraindications, Precautions, Indications and Immunities			

³⁷ All VAERS-only items removed.

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30946-8	Vaccination contraindication/precaution effective date	(DT)	19970522
30944-3	Vaccination temporary contraindication/precaution expiration date	(DT)	19990523
30945-0	Vaccination contraindication/precaution	(CE)	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3288 Value Set Code:: PHVS_VaccinationContraindication_IIS
31044-1	Reaction	(CE)	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3289 Value Set Code:: PHVS_VaccinationReaction_IIS
59784-9	Disease with presumed immunity	(CE)	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3293 Value Set Code:: PHVS_EvidenceOfImmunity_IIS
59785-6	Indications to immunize	(CE)	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3290 Value Set Code:: PHVS_VaccinationSpecialIndications_IIS
Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) Dates			
69764-9	Document type	CE	Value Set OID: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.6041 Value Set Code: PHVS_VISBarcodes_IIS
29768-9	Date Vaccine Information Statement Published	(TS)	19900605
29769-7	Date Vaccine Information Statement Presented	(TS)	199307311615
Forecasting and Evaluating Immunizations			

30973-2	30973-2 -- Dose number in series	(NM)	2
30979-9	Vaccines due next	(CE)	HL70292 (CVX)
30980-7	30980-7 -- Date vaccine due	(TS)	19980526
30981-5	30981-5 -- Earliest date to give	(TS)	19980522
30982-3	30982-3 -- Reason applied by forecast logic to project this vaccine	(CE) or (ST)	Codes for forecast logic reason locally defined.
59779-9	Immunization Schedule used	CE	Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3291 Value Set Code:: PHVS_ImmunizationScheduleIdentifier_IIS
59780-7	Immunization Series name	CE	Locally Defined
59782-3	Number of doses in primary series	NM	2
59781-5	Dose validity	ID	Y, N or empty
59783-1	Status in immunization series	CE	Locally defined value set
Smallpox Take Read: These codes allow information about evaluation of a smallpox vaccination, called the take response.			
46249-9	VACCINATION TAKE-RESPONSE TYPE	(ST)	Major Take, Equivocal, Not Available
46250-7	VACCINATION TAKE-RESPONSE DATE	(TS)	20091221

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The following CDC defined tables are not included in this Guide. They support VAERS reporting, which not within the scope of this Guide.

- NIP 005 – Event Consequences
- NIP 007 – Vaccinated at Location
- NIP 008 – Vaccine purchased with Funds
- NIP 009 – Adverse event previously reported
- NIP 010 – Report type

The following value sets replace a number of CDC defined tables. These have been registered in the CDC local value set, CDCPHINVS. Where appropriate, existing codes are used. For example SNOMED codes are used for some contraindications. Local codes (VXCxx) will be replaced as new SNOMED codes are published.

CDC-defined NIP004 - Contraindications, Precautions, and Immunities

This table has been replaced by separate tables for contraindications, indications, reactions and immunities

Value Set Name – Immunization Funding Source

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Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3287

Value Set Code:: PHVS_ImmunizationFundingSource_IIS

Value set definition: Indicates funding source for an immunization. This is used to support vaccine inventory management.

Code Set OID:

NULLFL: 2.16.840.1.113883.5.1008

CDCPHINVS: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Local implements may expand this list.

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP008
PHC70	Private funds	Immunization was funded by private funds, including insurance.	CDCPHINVS	PVF
VXC1	Federal funds	Immunization was funded with public funds from the federal government.	CDCPHINVS	
VXC2	State funds	Immunization was funded with public funds from a state.	CDCPHINVS	
PHC68	Military funds	Immunization was paid for with military funds.	CDCPHINVS	MLF
VXC3	Tribal funds	Immunization was paid for with tribal funds.	CDCPHINVS	
OTH	Other	Immunization was paid for by funding not listed above.	NULLFL	OTH
UNK	Unspecified	Funding source for immunization is not specified.	NULLFL	

Examples:

|PHC70^Private funds^CDCPHINVS|

|OTH^Other^NULLFL|

Value Set Name – Vaccination Contraindications

Used in OBX- 5

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3288

Value Set Code:: PHVS_VaccinationContraindication_IIS

Value set definition: indicates a contraindication to vaccination.

Code Set OID:

SNOMED: 2.16.840.1.113883.6.96

CDCPHINVS: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP004
VXC30	allergy (anaphylactic) to proteins of rodent or neural origin	allergy (anaphylactic) to proteins of rodent or neural origin	CDCPHINVS	
VXC17	allergy (anaphylactic) to 2-phenoxyethanol	allergy (anaphylactic) to 2-phenoxyethanol	CDCPHINVS	
VXC18	allergy to baker's yeast (anaphylactic)	allergy to baker's yeast (anaphylactic)	CDCPHINVS	03
91930004	Allergy to eggs (disorder)	allergy to egg ingestion (anaphylactic)	SCT	04
294847001	Gelatin allergy (disorder)	allergy to gelatin (anaphylactic)	SCT	05
294468006	Neomycin allergy (disorder)	allergy to neomycin (anaphylactic)	SCT	06
294466005	Streptomycin allergy (disorder)	allergy to streptomycin (anaphylactic)	SCT	07
VXC19	allergy to thimerosal (anaphylactic)	allergy to thimerosal (anaphylactic)	CDCPHINVS	08
VXC20	allergy to previous dose of this vaccine or to any of its unlisted vaccine components (anaphylactic)	allergy to previous dose of this vaccine or to any of its unlisted vaccine components (anaphylactic)	CDCPHINVS	09
402306009	Allergy to aluminum (disorder)	allergy (anaphylactic) to alum	SCT	
300916003	Latex allergy (disorder)	allergy (anaphylactic) to latex	SCT	
294530006	Polymyxin B allergy (disorder)	allergy (anaphylactic) to polymyxin B	SCT	
VXC21	Previous history of intussusception	Previous history of intussusception	CDCPHINVS	
VXC22	encephalopathy within 7 days of previous dose of DTP or DTaP	encephalopathy within 7 days of previous dose of DTP or DTaP	CDCPHINVS	15

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Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP004
VXC23	current fever with moderate-to-severe illness	current fever with moderate-to-severe illness	CDCPHINVS	16
VXC24	current acute illness, moderate to severe (with or without fever) (e.g., diarrhea, otitis media, vomiting)	current acute illness, moderate to severe (with or without fever) (e.g., diarrhea, otitis media, vomiting)	CDCPHINVS	21
27624003	Chronic disease (disorder)	chronic illness (e.g., chronic gastrointestinal disease)	SCT	22
VXC25	History of Arthus hypersensitivity reaction to a tetanus-containing vaccine administered < 10 yrs previously	History of Arthus hypersensitivity reaction to a tetanus-containing vaccine administered < 10 yrs previously	CDCPHINVS	
VXC26	underlying unstable, evolving neurologic disorders, (including seizure disorders, cerebral palsy, and developmental delay)	underlying unstable, evolving neurologic disorders, (including seizure disorders, cerebral palsy, and developmental delay)	CDCPHINVS	37
VXC27	immunodeficiency due to any cause, including HIV (hematologic and solid tumors, congenital immunodeficiency, long-term immunosuppressive therapy, including steroids)	immunodeficiency due to any cause, including HIV (hematologic and solid tumors, congenital immunodeficiency, long-term immunosuppressive therapy, including steroids)	CDCPHINVS	36
77386006	Patient currently pregnant (finding)	pregnancy (in recipient)	SCT	39
302215000	Thrombocytopenic disorder (disorder)	thrombocytopenia	SCT	40
161461006	History of - purpura (situation)	thrombocytopenic purpura (history)	SCT	41

Examples:

|VXC18^allergy to bakers yeast^CDCPHINVS|

|77386006^patient currently pregnant^SCT|

Value Set Name – Vaccination Reaction - IIS

Used in OBX- 5

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3289

Value Set Code:: PHVS_VaccinationReaction_IIS

Value set definition: indicates a reaction or adverse event associate in time with an immunization.

Code Set OID:

SNOMED: 2.16.840.1.113883.6.96

CDCPHINVS: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP004
39579001	Anaphylaxis (disorder)	Anaphylaxis	SCT	
81308009	Disorder of brain (disorder)	Encephalopathy	SCT	
VXC9	persistent, inconsolable crying lasting > 3 hours within 48 hours of dose	persistent, inconsolable crying lasting > 3 hours within 48 hours of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC10	collapse or shock-like state within 48 hours of dose	collapse or shock-like state within 48 hours of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC11	convulsions (fits, seizures) within 72 hours of dose	convulsions (fits, seizures) within 72 hours of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC12	fever of >40.5C (105F) within 48 hours of dose	fever of >40.5C (105F) within 48 hours of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC13	Guillain-Barre syndrome (GBS) within 6 weeks of dose	Guillain-Barre syndrome (GBS) within 6 weeks of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC14	Rash within 14 days of dose	Rash within 14 days of dose	CDCPHINVS	
VXC15	Intussusception within 30 days of dose	Intussusception within 30 days of dose	CDCPHINVS	

Examples:

|39579001^anaphylaxis^SCT|

|VXC14^Rash within 14 days^CDCPHINVS|

Value Set Name – Vaccination Special Indications - IIS

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Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3290**Value Set Code::** PHVS_VaccinationSpecialIndications_IIS**Value set definition:** Describes a factor about the client which may impact forecasting of next dose of vaccine needed.**Code Set OID:****CDCPHINVS:** 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value
VXC7	Rabies exposure within previous 10 days.	Rabies exposure within previous 10 days.	CDCPHINVS	
VXC8	Member of special group	Member of special group	CDCPHINVS	

Example:**|VXC7^Rabies exposure^CDCPHINVS|****Value Set Name – Immunization Profile Identifiers - IIS**

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Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3291**Value Set Code::** PHVS_ImmunizationProfileIdentifier_IIS**Value set definition:** Identifies the profile used by the message.**Code Set OID:****CDCPHINVS:** 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value
Z31	Return Candidate Clients	Return Candidate Clients	CDCPHINVS	
Z32	Return Immunization History	Return Immunization History	CDCPHINVS	
Z34	Request Immunization History	Request Immunization History	CDCPHINVS	

Example:**|Z34^ CDCPHINVS|****Value Set Name – Immunization Schedule Identifiers - IIS****Appendix B**

Used in OBX-5

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3292

Value Set Code:: PHVS_ImmunizationScheduleIdentifier_IIS

Value set definition: Identifies the schedule used for immunization evaluation and forecast.

Code Set OID:

CDCPHINVS: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.5.274

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value
VXC16	ACIP Schedule	This indicates that the current ACIP Schedule of recommendations were used to forecast next doses due.	CDCPHINVS	

Example:

|VXC16^ACIP Schedule^CDCPHINVS|

Local Implementations may add local codes for local schedules. In order to do this, the local implementation guide should publish the code in a local table. The code system identifier (CDCPHINVS use above is an example) needs to be included in a local copy of Table 0396. See first row for example. The local schedule code should be recorded as follows:

|yourLocalcode^your schedule name here^99xxx|

The 99xxx is the local code table identifier. xxx are alpha characters.

Value Set Name – Evidence of Immunity - IIS

Used in OBX- 5

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.3293

Value Set Code:: PHVS_EvidenceOfImmunity_IIS

Value set definition: **Evidence of immunity indicates that a person has plausible evidence that they have already developed immunity to a particular disease. The definition of plausible evidence is a local decision, but best practice would suggest that serological evidence of immunity is the strongest indicator of immunity.**

Code Set OID:

SNOMED: 2.16.840.1.113883.6.96

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP004
409498004	Anthrax (disorder)	History of anthrax infection.	SCT	
397428000	Diphtheria (disorder)	History of diphtheria infection.	SCT	24
76902006	Tetanus (disorder)	History of tetanus infection.	SCT	32
27836007	Pertussis (disorder)	History of pertussis infection.	SCT	29
40468003	Viral hepatitis, type A (disorder)	History of Hepatitis A infection.	SCT	
66071002	Type B viral hepatitis (disorder)	History of Hepatitis B infection.	SCT	26
91428005	Haemophilus influenzae infection (disorder)	History of HIB infection.	SCT	25
240532009	Human papilloma virus infection (disorder)	History of HPV infection.	SCT	
6142004	Influenza (disorder)	History of influenza infection.	SCT	
52947006	Japanese encephalitis virus disease (disorder)	History of Japanese encephalitis infection.	SCT	
14189004	Measles (disorder)	History of measles infection.	SCT	27
36989005	Mumps (disorder)	History of mumps infection.	SCT	28
36653000	Rubella (disorder)	History of rubella infection.	SCT	31
23511006	Meningococcal infectious disease (disorder)	History of meningococcal infection.	SCT	
16814004	Pneumococcal infectious disease (disorder)	History of pneumococcal infection.	SCT	

Concept Code	Concept Name	Definition	HL7 Table 0396 Code	V 2.3.1 Value NIP004
398102009	Acute poliomyelitis (disorder)	History of polio infection.	SCT	30
14168008	Rabies (disorder)	History of rabies infection.	SCT	
18624000	Disease due to Rotavirus (disorder)	History of rotavirus infection.	SCT	
4834000	Typhoid fever (disorder)	History of typhoid infection.	SCT	
111852003	Vaccinia (disorder)	History of vaccinia infection.	SCT	
38907003	Varicella (disorder)	History of Varicella infection.	SCT	
16541001	Yellow fever (disorder)	History of yellow fever infection.	SCT	
271511000	Hepatitis B immune (finding)	Immunity to hepatitis B	SCT	

Examples:

|38907003^Varicella infection^SCT|

Value Set Code: PHVS_VISBarcodes_IIS

Value Set Name: VIS Bar Codes (IIS)

Value Set OID: 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.6041

Value Set Definition: The purpose of the barcode on the bottom of the Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) is to provide an opportunity to electronically capture the VIS document type (e.g. influenza, MMR) and the edition date of the VIS, as required by the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA). For more information, please visit - <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/vis-barcodes.htm>

VIS Document Type Description / Concept Name	Edition Date	VIS Fully-encoded text string (Concept Code)	Code System Code (HL7 Table 0396)
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Adenovirus VIS	7/14/2011	253088698300001111110714	cdcgs1vis
Anthrax VIS	3/10/2010	253088698300002811100310	cdcgs1vis
Hepatitis A VIS	10/25/2011	253088698300004211111025	cdcgs1vis
Hepatitis B VIS	2/2/2012	253088698300005911120202	cdcgs1vis
Haemophilus Influenzae type b VIS	12/16/1998	253088698300006611981216	cdcgs1vis
Human papillomavirus Vaccine (Cervarix) VIS	5/3/2011	253088698300007311110503	cdcgs1vis
Human papillomavirus Vaccine (Gardasil) VIS	2/22/2012	253088698300008011120222	cdcgs1vis
Influenza Vaccine - Live, Intranasal VIS	7/2/2012	253088698300009711120702	cdcgs1vis
Influenza Vaccine - Inactivated VIS	7/2/2012	253088698300010311120702	cdcgs1vis
Japanese Encephalitis VIS	12/7/2011	253088698300011011111207	cdcgs1vis
Measles/Mumps/Rubella VIS	4/20/2012	253088698300012711120420	cdcgs1vis
Measles/Mumps/Rubella /Varicella VIS	5/21/2010	253088698300013411100521	cdcgs1vis
Meningococcal VIS	10/14/2011	253088698300014111111014	cdcgs1vis
Pneumococcal Conjugate (PCV13) VIS	4/16/2010	253088698300015811100416	cdcgs1vis
Pneumococcal Polysaccharide VIS	10/6/2009	253088698300016511091006	cdcgs1vis
Polio VIS	11/8/2011	253088698300017211111108	cdcgs1vis
Rabies VIS	10/6/2009	253088698300018911091006	cdcgs1vis
Shingles VIS	10/6/2009	253088698300020211091006	cdcgs1vis
Tetanus/Diphtheria/(Pert ussis) VIS	1/24/2012	253088698300022611120124	cdcgs1vis
Typhoid VIS	5/29/2012	253088698300023311120529	cdcgs1vis

Value Set Name – Funding Eligibility Observation Method (IIS)

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.6039

Value Set Code: PHVS_FundingEligibilityObsMethod_IIS

Value set definition: The Funding Eligibility Observation Method identifies the method for capturing funding program eligibility. Note that it is always reported at the immunization level. Used in OBX- 17

Concept Names	Concept code	Code System Identifier – HL7 Table 0396
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Eligibility captured at the immunization level	VXC40	CDCPHINVS
Eligibility captured at the visit level	VXC41	CDCPHINVS

Value Set Name – VIS Vaccines (IIS)

Value Set OID - 2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.6040

Value Set Code:: PHVS_VISVaccines_IIS

Value set definition: This table lists the vaccines which require that a Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) be shared with a patient/parent. The VIS document type, edition date and presentation date are reported in a set of OBX. The current list will be found on PHIN VADS, as the list may change over time.

Table 1 -- CVX Codes of Vaccines Requiring VIS Recording

CVX	Description	Code System Table 0396 code
106	DTaP, 5 pertussis antigens	CVX
146	DTaP,IPV,Hib,HepB	CVX
110	DTaP-Hep B-IPV	CVX
50	DTaP-Hib	CVX
120	DTaP-Hib-IPV	CVX
130	DTaP-IPV	CVX
52	Hep A, adult	CVX
83	Hep A, ped/adol, 2 dose	CVX
104	Hep A-Hep B	CVX
08	Hep B, adolescent or pediatric	CVX
42	Hep B, adolescent/high risk infant	CVX
43	Hep B, adult	CVX
44	Hep B, dialysis	CVX
49	Hib (PRP-OMP)	CVX
48	Hib (PRP-T)	CVX
51	Hib-Hep B	CVX
118	HPV, bivalent	CVX
62	HPV, quadrivalent	CVX
135	Influenza, high dose seasonal	CVX
111	influenza, live, intranasal	CVX
141	Influenza, seasonal, injectable	CVX
140	Influenza, seasonal, injectable, preservative free	CVX
144	influenza, seasonal, intradermal, preservative free	CVX
10	IPV	CVX
148	Meningococcal C/Y-HIB PRP	CVX
136	Meningococcal MCV40	CVX

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114	meningococcal MCV4P	CVX
32	meningococcal MPSV4	CVX
03	MMR	CVX
94	MMRV	CVX
133	Pneumococcal conjugate PCV 13	CVX
100	pneumococcal conjugate PCV 7	CVX
119	rotavirus, monovalent	CVX
116	rotavirus, pentavalent	CVX
138	Td (adult)	CVX
113	Td (adult) preservative free	CVX
09	Td (adult), adsorbed	CVX
115	Tdap	CVX
21	varicella	CVX

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Revision History		
Author	Revision	Date
Rob Savage	Release 1	5/1/2010
Rob Savage	Release 1.1	2/15/2011
Rob Savage	Release 1.3	8/15/2011
Rob Savage	Release 1.4	8/1/2012

Core Data Elements for an Immunization History

A number of core data elements are messaged in OBX (observation segments). While they are not directly specified in the HL7 standards, they are crucial to support immunization information systems. The following table lists all core data elements and indicates their usage.

Table B-1--Immunization History Core Data Elements

Data Element	Description	Support Status ³⁹	Location in Message
Client Related Data Elements			
Client Id	A list of client identifiers for the person that is the subject of a given immunization history. The id includes both a unique identifier and the context/owner of the identifier.	Required	PID-3
Client Name	A list of names for the subject of the immunization history. The name is composed of both the names and the name type (legal, alias, etc.)	Required	PID-5
Mother's Maiden Name	The family name of the person's mother. This is an important key to assuring an accurate match.	Required	PID-6
Race	Patient's self reported race.	Required	PID-10
Ethnicity	Patient's self reported ethnicity	Required	PID-22
Gender	Patients gender	Required	PID-8
Birth date	Date patient was born	Required	PID-7

³⁹ Support Status indicates whether the field must be supported by the information system and messaged if known. It does not indicate whether all messages must contain the data element. That is indicated in the usage column for each field.

Birth order	If patient was part of a multiple birth, this indicates the ordinal position in that birth.	Required	PID-24
Multiple Birth Indicator	Indicates if person was member of multiple birth.	Optional	PID-25
Birth State	The state the person was born in.	Required	PID-11
Birth facility	The name of the facility where the person was born.	Required	
Client address	Address of the client's residence	Required	PID-11
Client Phone	List of telecommunication numbers/address	Required	PID-13
Client IIS status	Indicates if client is currently associated with the IIS	Required	PD1-16
Client Provider organization status	Indicates if client is currently associated with the provider organization	Required	
Responsible person name	A list of names of a responsible person	Required	NK1-2
Responsible person address	Address of the responsible person	Optional	NK1-4
Responsible person relationship	Relationship of the responsible person to the patient/client	Required	NK1-3
Responsible person phone	Phone number of responsible person	Optional	NK1-5
Client Primary language	Primary language of client/patient	optional	PID-15
Vaccination Related Data Elements			
Vaccine administered product type	Indicates which product (vaccine) was administered	Required	RXA-5
Vaccine product manufacturer	Indicates the company which manufactured the vaccine	Required	RXA-17
Vaccine administered date	Indicates the date that the vaccine was administered	Required	RXA-3
Vaccine Lot Number	Indicates the lot number for the vaccine administered	Required	RXA-15

Vaccine Lot Expiration Date	Indicates the expiry date for the vaccine administered	Required	RXA-16
Vaccine site of administration	Indicates the body site where the vaccine was administered	Required	RXR-2
Vaccine route of administration	Indicates the route that was used to administer the vaccine	Required	RXR-1
Vaccine ordering provider	Indicates the clinician who ordered the vaccination	Required	ORC-12
Vaccine administering provider	Indicates the clinician who administered the vaccine	Required	RXA-10
Vaccine Event information source	Indicates whether the vaccine was administered by the provider organization recording the immunization or obtained from a historical record	Required	OBX-5
Vaccine information sheet (VIS) type	Indicates the subject of the VIS, that is which vaccine(s) it refers to	Required	OBX-5
Vaccine information sheet (VIS) version date	Indicates the publication date of the VIS	Required	OBX-5
Vaccine information Sheet date given to client/responsible person	Indicates the date the VIS was given to the patient/responsible person	Required	OBX-5
Patient Eligibility Category for Vaccine Funding Program	This value represents the funding program that should pay for a given immunization. It is determined based on characteristics of the patient/client and the type of vaccine administered.	Required	OBX-5
Vaccine Funding Source	Indicates the Funding Source of the vaccine administered. That is was the vaccine administered federally funded, privately funded, etc.	Optional	OBX-5
Observations About the Client			
Contraindications/precautions	A contraindication is	Required	OBX-5

	categorical indicator of the medical conditions of the patient which has that indicate that the patient should not receive a vaccine. A precaution is a medical condition of the patient that indicates the clinician should make a determination whether the patient should receive the vaccine.		
Contraindication observation date	Indicates the date that the contraindication was noted	Required	OBX-14
Exemption/refusal reason	Indicates the reason the patient is either exempt from the immunization or refuses the immunization.	Required	RXA-18
Exemption / refusal date	Date the patient refused or was exempted from vaccination	Required	RXA-3
Vaccine reaction	A categorical indicator of an adverse health consequence with onset that follows immunization	Optional	OBX-5
History of vaccine preventable disease	Indicates a vaccine preventable disease that a patient has had	Required	OBX-5
Date of history of vaccine preventable disease	Indicates the date the disease occurred (or was noted if onset is uncertain)	Required	OBX-14

Send Immunization History (VXU)

Business Process

The following activity diagram illustrates the process of sending and receiving an immunization history. It is meant to be illustrative and not prescriptive. With the exception of the HL7 message structure processing and the return of an acknowledgement, the activities are based on local business rules. These rules must be documented for smooth interoperability. HL7 only addresses the messages, VXU and ACK.

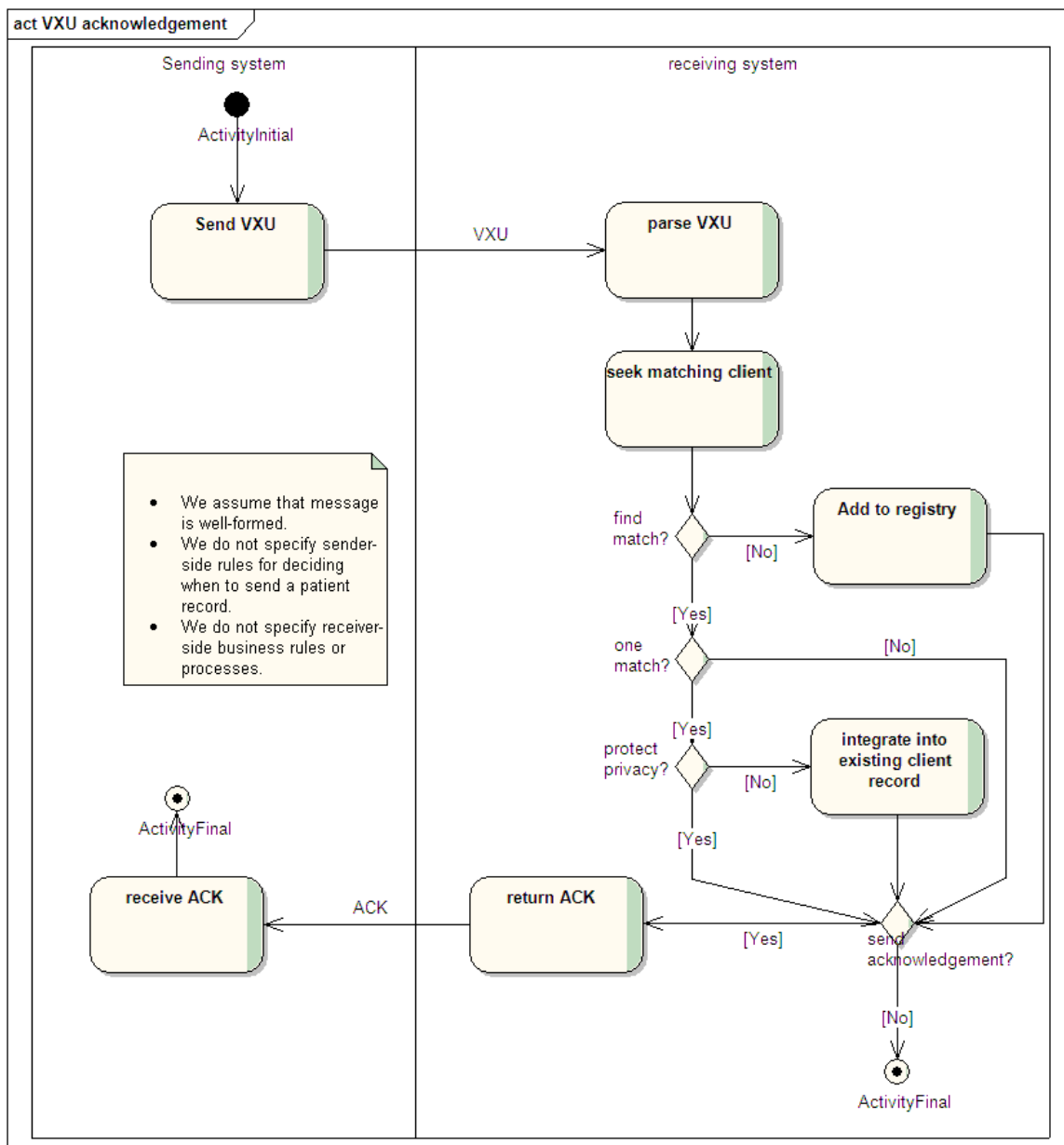


Figure 6-VXU Business Process

1. The process for sending a VXU (Immunization history) begins with the sending system building the VXU message.
2. The sending system connects to the receiving system and sends the VXU.
3. The receiving system accepts the message.
4. The receiving system parses the message and validates.
 - a. Determine if message meets HL7 rules
 - b. Validate based on local business rules⁴⁰

⁴⁰ See Send Error in ACK for dealing with errors if either of these two tasks identifies problems.

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5. Seek matching client in receiver data base
 - a. No match is found⁴¹
 - i. Add the client to the receiver database.
 - ii. Send acknowledgement message⁴²
 - b. Exactly one match found
 - i. Determine if client in receiver data base has indicated that his/her data is to be protected (protection indicator = Y)⁴³
 - ii. Protection indicator = Y
 1. Do not integrate record into receiver data base
 2. Send acknowledgement⁴⁴
 - iii. Protection indicator = N
 1. Based on local business rules, integrate incoming record into receiver data base.
 2. Send acknowledgement
 - c. More than one match found
 - i. Send acknowledgement⁴⁵
 6. Send acknowledgment to sending system
 7. Sending system accepts acknowledgement message.⁴⁶

Note that sending system may indicate that it does not accept acknowledgement messages. In this case, no acknowledgement is returned. This is not recommended.

It is expected that a client's immunization history is the complete history known to the sending system, and not just updates on new information in the sending system. While some systems may send updates only, the receiving system should make no assumptions about this. This has important implications for processing those incoming records. At the same time, the sending system may not know of all immunizations, so receiving system must have a process for integrating the received data into an existing record. The Modeling Immunization Registry Operations Workgroup (MIROW) has produced a chapter of best practices on this process. This is available on the American Immunization Registry Association web site (www.immregistries.org).

⁴¹ Local business rules determine what happens next, but we assume that it is a simple insert of the client record. The receiving system may require review and confirmation prior to insertion. Other systems may choose to require human review before adding to data base.

⁴² See Send Acknowledgement with no error.

⁴³ Locally, this may be known as the sharing indicator. In this case, the equivalent value is sharing = N.

⁴⁴ Local business rules may vary. In general, the acknowledgement may reject the client record, but not indicate the existence of the client record in the receiver system.

⁴⁵ Local business rules will determine how the multiple matches are to be handled. The record could be put into a pending state, rejected outright, loaded in as a new record for clean up later.

⁴⁶ The sending system response to an acknowledgement message (ACK) is locally determined. Good practice would be to have a way to use the ACK to alert user to outcome and to allow trouble-shooting of problem messages.

The following example messages represent straightforward immunization history messages. They do not illustrate dealing with specific use cases, such as messaging reactions, client specific conditions or vaccine forecasts. Clearly, these may be components of a VXU, but will be addressed separately to simplify the messages.

It is important to reiterate here that conformant systems should be able to successfully populate and process the VXU message segments and fields identified as Required or Required but may be empty. They should be able to populate and process conditional items when the predicate conditions are met. If segments or fields are optionally repeating, they should be able to gracefully handle the repetitions. Systems that do not conform to these expectations risk missed data.

Supported Message Segments

The following table lists the segments and their usage.

Table B-2 --Segment Usage

Segment	Cardinality	Usage ⁴⁷	Notes
MSH	[1..1]	R	Every message begins with an MSH
PID	[1..1]	R	Every VXU requires one PID
PD1	[0..1]	RE	
NK1	[0..*]	RE	NK1 may repeat and may include the client with a relationship of self.
PV1	[0..1]	O	
IN1	[0..1]	O	IN1-3 are not specified in this guide.
IN2	[0..1]	O	
IN3	[0..1]	O	
All of the following segments are part of the ORDER group. A VXU does not require an ORC group, allowing update of patient/client related data in the absence of updated RXA data. Each RXA does require an ORC.			
ORC	[0..*]	RE	
RXA	[1..1] ⁴⁸	R	Each RXA is the child of on ORC

⁴⁷ R means it is required. RE means it is required if known/available. X means not supported in this Guide. O means optional.

⁴⁸ Each ORC must have 1 RXA and each RXA belongs to exactly 1 ORC.

RXR	[0..1]	RE	Each RXR is the child of one RXA
OBX	[0..*]	RE	Each OBX is the child of one RXA. Each RXA may have more than one OBX segment.
NTE	[0..1]	RE	Each NTE is the child of one OBX

Example VXU # 1-Basic message:

Storyboard:

Johnny New Patient (male), born 4/14/09 has had 1 dose of Hep B on 4/15/09, according the record brought in by Mom (Sally Patient). They live at 123 Any Street, Somewhere, Wisconsin 54000. Nurse Sticker at Dalittle Clinic (DCS_DC), administers the following shots on 5/31/09:

- DTAP-Hep B-IPV (Pediarix) lot # xy3939 IM
- HIB (ActHIB) lot # 33k2a IM

They were all ordered by Dr Mary Pediatric who belongs to Dabig Clinical System (DCS). Mom acknowledged that his data may be shared with other providers. Johnny is eligible for Medicaid. His medical record number in Dabig Clinical System is 432155. Myron Clerk entered the information into the EHRs (MYEHR).

The information was sent from Dabig Clinical System to the State IIS

Note that we will indicate the end of each segment with a <CR>. Segments may wrap around in this document. We will insert a blank line between each segment for increased readability.

Note that this message does not include all elements expected for Meaningful Use certification.

```
MSH|^~\&|MYEHR|DCS|||20090531145259||VXU^V04^VXU_V04|3533469|P|2.5.1
|||AL <CR>
```

```
PID|1||432155^^^DCS^MR||Patient^Johnny^New^^^L||20090414150308|M|||
123 Any St^^Somewhere^WI^54000^^L<CR>
```

```
PD1||||||||||N|20090531<CR>
```

```
NK1|1|Patient^Sally|MTH^mother^HL70063|123 Any
St^^Somewhere^WI^54000^^L<CR>
```

```
PV1|1|R||||||||||||||V02^20090531<CR>
```

```

ORC|RE||197023^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|||||DCS^Dabig Clinical
System^StateIIS<CR>

RXA|0|1|20090415132511|20090415132511|31^Hep B Peds
NOS^CVX|999|||01^historical record^NIP0001||||| <CR>

ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^
^^^^^MD<CR>

RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|48^HIB PRP-T^CVX|999|||00^new
immunization
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC|||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX<CR>

RXR|C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70162|<CR>

ORC|RE||197028^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^
^^^^^MD<CR>

RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|110^DTAP-Hep B-
IPV^CVX|999|||00^new immunization
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC|||xy3939||SKB^GSK^MVX<CR>

RXR|IM^IM^HL70162^C28161^IM^NCIT|<CR>

```

Example VXU #2 - Indicate client eligibility status for a funding program for vaccines administered:

Federal regulations specify that Patient Eligibility status be assessed at each immunization encounter. It is a key data element for creating the Vaccines for Children (VFC) report on vaccine usage. Support for this report requires that systems store a history of eligibility statuses at the dose administered level. **Some states require that this information be included in each immunization history.**

Immunization messages must be able to convey the eligibility status of a recipient when they received immunizations. That is, for each dose administered, the person's eligibility should be recorded. Eligibility refers to what funding program should pay for the vaccine. This is distinctly different from funding source, which refers to what funding program actually paid for the vaccine. This document will illustrate the former.

Guidance for systems which collect eligibility at the encounter level:

Some systems may not have the capability to capture eligibility for each immunization administered. The eligibility should be messaged using the OBX with each immunization record. Ideally, these systems would know the vaccines that are VFC eligible (or state program eligible) and correctly associate VFC eligibility with each vaccine administered. In practical terms if the person was VFC eligible because they were covered by MEDICAID, and received 2 doses of

vaccine, each vaccine record would have an associated OBX segment. These segments would indicate V02 as the eligibility.

Patient Eligibility Status:

In the past, eligibility was recorded for each visit where a patient received an immunization. Recent guidance from the Modeling Immunization Registry Operations Workgroup (MIROW)⁴⁹ has clarified that the eligibility status of the patient should be recorded for each vaccine dose administered. It does not need to be recorded for immunizations that represent a historical record of an immunization.

Sending systems which collect the eligibility status for each visit will need to associate the status recorded for that visit on each immunization administered at that visit. They should consider if the vaccine administered was eligible for the funding program when deciding what to assign as the eligibility for each immunization.

The method of capture is messaged in OBX-17 (observation method). If the eligibility is captured by vaccine dose, OBX-17 will be valued:

“VXC40^per immunization^CDCPHINVS”

If the method of capture is per visit, OBX-17 shall be valued:

“VXC41^per visit^CDCPHINV”

Patient Eligibility Status is conveyed in an OBX segment for each vaccine dose administered. While this document will describe how to accomplish this in an HL7 message and give a high-level view of patient eligibility status, readers should refer to the MIROW document for a complete understanding of correct usage.

As described in the MIROW document, a variety of factors play a role in determination of Patient Eligibility Status: VFC and grantee policies, age, private insurance coverage, type of provider, and type of vaccine to be administered. For instance a person who was an Alaska Native receiving an MMR would have an eligibility status code of V04. The following table gives a simplified view of the most common cases.

Technical Note: The design of the information systems interface and validation functionality should ensure a match between reported/messaged Patient Eligibility Status and administered Vaccine Eligibility Status – they have to be eligible for the same funding program. The following table is an illustration of the logic found in table 0064.

Note that a person can’t be eligible for VFC and a state program for the same immunization. That is, only one eligibility should apply to a given immunization.

⁴⁹ Reference MIROW document

Table B-3 --Eligibility Outcomes

Determined Patient Eligibility	Vaccine type eligibility	Record for patient eligibility for vaccine dose administered
VFC eligible (V02-V05)	Vaccine type is eligible for VFC (e.g. DTAP, MMR, etc.)	V02-V05
Any patient eligibility reason	Vaccine type is not eligible for VFC (e.g. Yellow fever)	V01
Not VFC eligible (V01) and no state or local program applies.	Any	V01
Eligible for state or local vaccine program and not eligible for VFC	Vaccine is eligible for state or local program.	State or local eligibility code.

The funding programs listed in table HL70064 are those associated with the Vaccines for Children program. Local funding program eligibility would be published in the local Implementation Guide in table 0064. The code V07 may be used if the person is not eligible for VFC funding program, but is eligible for a state or local funding program. The use of locally specified codes may be preferable to provide more granular information. If a locally defined funding program eligibility code is sent, then the person is presumed to be not eligible for VFC funded vaccine.

The coding scheme uses codes in table 0363 to indicate the assigning authority. The code is composed of the code from table 0363 and 2 character number assigned by the state (The state may add to this list for other local assigning authorities.)

For example, if Alaska had a funding program and the person and vaccination met the eligibility criteria, the code in OBX-5 would be as follows:

|AKA01^Alaska special eligibility^AKA|

AKA01 is the code. AKA in the third triplet is the assigning authority. The text in the second triplet is not processed and so may be any text.

The OBX segment indicating patient eligibility in association with the dose administered is composed of a number of data elements. OBX-3 indicates that the segment contains patient eligibility status (LOINC 64994-7). OBX-5 indicates the eligibility status. OBX-17 indicates the method of observation (per visit or per immunization).

Technical note on LOINC code 64994-7:

The formal short name for this LOINC code is "Vaccine fund pgm elig cat", this means it is the patient eligibility status associated with a vaccine dose administered.
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The following message fragment indicates that the patient was eligible for VFC vaccine for the associated vaccination because they were Native American/Alaskan Native and the vaccine administered was an eligible vaccine type. The method of capture was per immunization.

VFC Eligible Client Received Vaccine That Is VFC eligible

```
RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|48^HIB PRP-  
T^CVX|999||||^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX<CR>  
  
RXR| C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70396<CR>  
  
OBX|1|CE|64994-7^vaccine fund pgm elig cat^LN|1|V04^VFC eligible  
NA/AN^HL70064|||||F|||20090531132511|||CVX40^per imm^CDCPHINVS <CR>
```

VFC Ineligible Client Received Vaccine That Is VFC eligible

```
RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|48^HIB PRP-  
T^CVX|999||||^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX<CR>  
  
RXR| C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70396<CR>  
  
OBX|1|CE|64994-7^vaccine fund pgm elig cat^LN|1|V01^Not VFC eligible  
^HL70064|||||F|||20090531132511||| CVX40^per imm^CDCPHINVS <CR>
```

VFC Eligible Client Received Vaccine That Is Not VFC eligible

```
RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|37^yellow  
fever^CVX|999||||^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX<C  
R>  
  
RXR| C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70396<CR>  
  
OBX|1|CE|64994-7^vaccine fund pgm elig cat^LN|1|V01^Not VFC elig^VFC  
eligible NA/AN^HL70064|||||F|||20090531132511 CVX40^per  
imm^CDCPHINVS <CR>
```

VFC Eligible Client Received Vaccine That Is Eligible for Local Funding Program

```
RXA|0|1|20090531132511|20090531132511|37^yellow  
fever^CVX|999||||^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX<C  
R>  
  
RXR| C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70396<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|CE|64994-7^vaccine fund pgm elig cat^LN|1|AKA01^Alaska Special  
Funding Program^AKA|||||F|||20090531132511 CVX40^per imm^CDCPHINVS  
<CR>
```

Example VXU #3 - Include immunization history evaluation and forecast in VXU

Evaluating an immunization history, based on the recommendations of the ACIP schedule or other schedule is an important function provided by many IIS. Based on this evaluation and other factors, recommendations may be made for next doses due. Some of their trading partners would like to receive the outcome of this evaluation. The previous implementation guide included a method for accomplishing this using OBX segments. This document illustrates how this is done and expands on the types of information that may be messaged.

This document does not describe nor specify the functionality or accuracy of the forecasting service. The focus is only on the content of the messages. Implementations should publish documentation on local specifics.

This document is not meant to support a call to a forecasting and evaluation service. It is meant to support existing applications that message vaccine forecasts and evaluation as a part of a complete immunization history.

When a clinician evaluates a person's immunization history and makes recommendations, she/he must use a standard (schedule). Traditionally, clinicians have evaluated based on vaccine groups or families. The schedule has one or more sets of immunization events that can be satisfied to indicate protection against the diseases of the vaccine group of interest. These constitute a series.

The following table lays out the information needed to convey an evaluation and forecast.

Table B-4--Codes Supporting Messaging Evaluation and Forecasting

Data element	Use	OBX-3 Value	Optionality for meaningful evaluation and forecast ⁵⁰ .
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⁵⁰ This does not mean that every message must have one of the required OBX. It just means that this concept needs to be known to put the evaluation and forecast in context.

Data element	Use	OBX-3 Value	Optionality for meaningful evaluation and forecast⁵⁰.
Schedule	Identifies the standards used. ACIP is the prototypical example.	59779-9	Required
Vaccine group/family	Identifies which diseases are expected to be prevented by completion of series.	Single vaccine type use 30956-7 Combination vaccine use 38890-0	Required
Series name	Name of the specific set of doses and recommendations that were used to evaluate this dose and make recommendations.	59780-7	Optional
Ordinal position in primary series	Indicates which dose in a series this given immunization fulfills.	30973-2	Required
Dose Validity	Indicates if this dose was given appropriately for this series in this schedule.	59781-5	Optional

Data element	Use	OBX-3 Value	Optionality for meaningful evaluation and forecast⁵⁰.
Number of doses in primary Series	Indicates how many appropriately given doses are required to meet the goals of this series. Note that in the case where there are doses that may be skipped, due to the age of the client/patient, the number shall reflect the adjusted number of doses.	59782-3	Optional
Series Status	This indicates the status of the client's progress toward meeting the goals of the series selected. This could be complete, overdue, in progress, etc.	59783-1	optional
Next dose forecast	Earliest date dose should be given.	30981-5	Required for forecast
	Date next dose recommended	30980-7	
	Latest date next dose should be given	59777-3	
	Date dose is overdue	59778-1	

Data element	Use	OBX-3 Value	Optionality for meaningful evaluation and forecast⁵⁰.
Reason code	This can indicate why a dose is not valid or that the recommendation was changed because of a special circumstance.	30982-3	Optional

It is important to note that evaluation relates to doses received, but recommendations relate to doses not yet given. Each will be addressed separately. Evaluation will be associated with an immunization received. Recommendations will be associated with future events. That is they will be associated with an RXA that indicates that no dose was given. They will not be associated with existing immunization records (RXA). This means that if a person has received one hep B dose (valid). The evaluation will be associated with the first RXA indicating that she/he received the dose. The OBX following this will indicate the evaluation. The recommendations for the next dose due will be associated with a second RXA.

There are other factors relating to forecasting, such as exemption and previous immunity. These are dealt with in the client specific conditions impacting forecasting.

When a given dose is evaluated against a schedule, we can make a number of observations about it. Each dose of vaccine recorded is transmitted in an RXA segment. Each RXA segment may have one or more OBX, observation segments. Each distinct piece of information is found in its own OBX segment and follows its associated RXA.

Note that the order of the OBX segments is not regulated. The receiving system will need to link the OBX with the appropriate data elements.

The basic structure for including evaluation in a message is:

- ORC-Order segment
- RXA-the immunization and vaccine
- OBX-vaccine group
- OBX-the schedule
- OBX-series used
- OBX-dose number in series (ordinal position)
- OBX-doses in series
- OBX-dose validity
- OBX-series status

The basic structure for evaluation of combination vaccine components is:

ORC-order segment
RXA-the immunization and vaccine
OBX-vaccine group ⁵¹
OBX-the schedule
OBX-series used
OBX-dose number in series (ordinal position)
OBX-doses in series
OBX-dose validity
OBX-vaccine group ⁵²
OBX-the schedule
OBX-series used
OBX-dose number in series (ordinal position)
OBX-doses in series
OBX-dose validity
OBX-series status

The basic structure for the recommendation in the message is:

ORC-order segment
RXA-vaccine, CVX-Unspecified formulation (no dose given)
OBX-the schedule
OBX-the series used
OBX-dose number in the series
OBX-number of doses in the series
OBX-earliest next dose due
OBX-recommended next dose due
OBX-overdue next dose due
OBX-series status

This document will first illustrate how to build each OBX to support reporting the key information. The next section will show how to put these pieces together to create evaluation and recommendations in VXU. Note that the same approach may be used in an RSP that returns an immunization history.

⁵¹ All of the related observations are linked to the vaccine group using the OBX-4, observation sub-id.

⁵² All of the related observations are linked to the vaccine group using the OBX-4, observation sub-id.

Indicating the Schedule that was used:

Evaluation is only meaningful in the context of a defined schedule. Schedule is a required element in a message that is carrying evaluation or recommendation information.

The only schedule supported by CDC is the ACIP schedule. Some systems may choose to develop other schedules that meet local needs. We assume that ACIP is the schedule used in our examples.

There are no differences between recommendation and evaluation in the OBX indicating the schedule used.

The following example shows that the ACIP schedule was used to evaluate this immunization.

```
ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^  
^^^^^MD<CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20090412|20090412|48^HIB PRP-T^CVX|999|||00^new immunization  
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX|||C  
P<CR>
```

```
RXR|C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70162|<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|CE|59779-9^Schedule  
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

Indicating Vaccine Group associated:

Evaluation is considered by vaccine group. Some immunizations are composed of one vaccine group while others are combinations of several vaccine groups. The first is more straightforward when constructing a message. The vaccine group is indicated in an OBX. All following OBX relate to that vaccine group, using the OBX-4 Observation sub-id.

Single Vaccine group Vaccine:

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||03^MMR^CVX|0.5|ML^ISO+||||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^MVX|||CP<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|TS|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|03^MMR^CVX|||||F<CR>
```

In the case where a combination vaccine is given, each vaccine group is identified and has segments describing its evaluation. This case requires that the information about each vaccine group be handled separately. Each vaccine group is associated with a group of OBX, using the OBX-4 observation sub-id.

Combination vaccine:

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||94^MMRV^CVX|0.5|ML^ISO+|||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^MVX|||CP<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|TS|38890-0^Component Vaccine Type^LN|1|21^Varicella^CVX|||||F<CR>
```

... stuff about this vaccine group

```
OBX|4|TS|38890-0^Component Vaccine Type^LN N|2|03^MMR^CVX|||||F<CR>
```

... stuff about this vaccine group

Note that the vaccine group could also be indicated with the **30956-7^vaccine type^LN** LOINC.

Reporting The Ordinal Position In A Series:

Evaluation:

Reporting the ordinal position in a selected series may be reported in an OBX segment. The ordinal position is the dose number being satisfied by a given immunization. (dose #1 in a 3 dose series) The next section illustrates how to report the expected number of doses in the series. (3 in the example above) It would be empty for a booster dose and for doses which are not valid.

```
ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron||^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^^^  
^^MD<CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20090412|20090412|48^HIB PRP-T^CVX|999|||00^new immunization  
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^DCS_DC|||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX|||CP<C  
R>
```

```
RXR|C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70162|<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|TS|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|17^HIB, NOS^CVX|||||F<CR>
```

```
OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule  
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

```
OBX|3|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|1|1|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

Recommendation:

There is a different code to be used for indicating the number of the next dose due.

Note that the preferred LOINC codes are not vaccine group specific. The use of old vaccine specific LOINC should not occur. For example, **30936-9 DTaP/DTP dose count in combination vaccine** should not be used.

Reporting the Number of Doses in a Series:

There are no differences between recommendations and evaluations. This numeric field indicates the number of doses required to meet the goals of the primary series for this vaccine group. It would be empty for a booster dose.

```
OBX|x|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|1|1|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

Reporting Next Dose Recommendation Dates (forecast only):

Forecasting next dose due is an important function that can be reported in a message. There are a number of key dates that can be communicated:

Table B-5--Due Date Definitions

Date type	Definition
The earliest acceptable date based on the schedule used	This is the earliest date that a person should receive the next dose for the vaccine group. It does not include any grace period. For example the earliest data a person should receive a DTAP is age 42 days.
The recommended date	This is the date that a person should ideally receive the next dose for the vaccine group.
The overdue date (the date the person is considered late for getting the vaccine)	This is the date that the person is considered late for getting the next dose for the vaccine group. It is a locally defined value.
The latest date that a dose should be given (e.g. for HIB it is currently 5 years old)	This is the last possible date that a person should receive the next dose for the vaccine group. Generally, this is related to age of recipient. For example the oldest a person should receive a dose of HIB is 5 years old.

Not all dates may be relevant and so may be omitted.

```
ORC|RE||123^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron<CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20090412|20090412|998^No vaccine administered^CVX|999|||  
|||||||NA<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|TS|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|17^HIB, NOS^CVX|||||F<CR>
```

```
OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule  
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

OBX|3|DT|30980-7^Date vaccination
due^LN|1|20090615|||||F|||20090415<CR>

OBX|4|DT|59777-3^Latest date to give
vaccine^LN|1|20100615|||||F|||20090415<CR>

Note that the filler order number is meaningless in this case since no immunization is associated with it.

Reporting Recommendation Reasons:

Sometimes a dose may break a specific rule in the schedule. Alternatively conditions may trigger special rules, such as the need for accelerating the recommendations to catch up with the preferred schedule. This may be reported from the system in a message. The list of values is locally determined. These should be documented locally.

Local Codes drive the answers.

Complete Example Of Evaluation And Forecasting:

Note that the following message does not contain all elements required for Meaningful Use Stage 2 certification.

MSH|^~\&|MYEHR|DCS|||20091031145259||VXU^V04^VXU_V04|3533469|P|2.5.1
|||AL <CR>

PID|1||432155^^^DCS^MR||Patient^Johnny^New^^^L||20090214150308|M|||
123 Any St^^Somewhere^WI^54000^^L<CR>

PD1||||||||||N|20090531<CR>

NK1|1|Patient^Sally|MTH^mother^HL70063|123 Any
St^^Somewhere^WI^54000^^L<CR>

PV1|1|R|||||||||||||V02^20090531<CR>

ORC|RE||197023^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|||||DCS^Dabig Clinical
System^StateIIS<CR>

RXA|0|1|20090415132511|20090415132511|31^Hep B Peds
NOS^CVX|999|||01^historical record^NIP0001||||||| <CR>

OBX|1|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|31^Hep B Peds NOS^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090531<CR>

OBX|3|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|1|1|||||F|||20090531<CR>

OBX|4|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|1|3|||||F|||20090531<CR>

ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^^
^^^^MD<CR>

RXA|0|1|20090731132511|20090731132511|48^HIB PRP-T^CVX|999|||00^new
immunization
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX|||C
P<CR>

RXR|C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70162|<CR>

OBX|1|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|17^HIB NOS^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||200900731<CR>

OBX|3|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|1|1|||||F<CR>

OBX|4|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|1|4|||||F<CR>

ORC|RE||197028^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^^
^^^^MD<CR>

RXA|0|1|20091031132511|20091031132511|110^DTAP-Hep B-
IPV^CVX|999|||00^new immunization
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^^^DCS_DC||||xy3939||SKB^GSK^MVX|||CP<
CR>

RXR|IM^IM^HL70162^C28161^IM^NCIT|<CR>

OBX|1|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|31^Hep B Peds NOS^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||200900531<CR>

OBX|3|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|1|2|||||F<CR>

OBX|4|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|1|3|||||F<CR>

OBX|5|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|2|10^IPV^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|6|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|2|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||200901031<CR>

OBX|7|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|2|1|||||F<CR>

OBX|8|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|2|4|||||F<CR>

OBX|9|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|3|20^DTAP^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|10|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|3|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F<CR>

```

OBX|11|N|30973-2^dose number in series^LN|3|1|||||F<CR>

OBX|12|N|59782-3^number of doses in series^LN|3|5|||||F<CR>

ORC|RE||197023^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|||||DCS^Dabig Clinical
System^StateIIS<CR>

RXA|0|1|20091031|20091031|998^no vaccine admin^CVX|999|||
|||||||NA <CR>

OBX|1|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|31^Hep B Peds NOS^CVX |||||F<CR>

OBX|2|CE|59779-9^Immunization Schedule
used^LN|1|VXC16^ACIP^CDCPHINVS|||||F<CR>

OBX|3|DT|30980-7^Date vaccination due^LN|1|20091231|||||F<CR>

```

Important notes:

1. Note that the OBX set id increases for each set of OBX under a given RXA, but restart at one for the next set of OBX.
2. The observation sub-id holds to one value for each related set of observations under the vaccine group OBX.
3. Either of the LOINC for vaccine group could have been used under the combination vaccine (30956-7 (vaccine type) or 38890-0 (component vaccine type))

Using The NTE Segment Associated With An OBX To Provide More Information:

Each OBX may have an associated NTE segment. This may be used for sending notes or comments that the receiving system may choose to display to a user. Any use of this is local and requires local documentation.

Issues That Are Outside Of Messaging But Impact The Value Sent In A Message

1. There are some series where doses may be skipped. For instance a person who gets significantly behind on some HIB series may skip a dose and complete “early”. Local profiles should specify how these doses will be handled and messaged.
2. Some vaccines have a numbered primary series and are followed by intermittent booster doses. These do not increase the number of doses in the primary series.
3. Persons who have been previously infected may not need further doses of vaccine. This can be messaged in an OBX reporting client immunity.

Example VXU #4 - Send client specific conditions

Evaluation of immunization history and forecasting next dose due are important services provided by many IIS. There are a number of factors that can impact these evaluations and forecasts. In general terms, some factors contraindicate next doses, while others recommend next doses. These factors may be messaged in OBX segments associated with an RXA.

Evidence of immunity:

Infection with the diseases that are the target of immunizations leads to long-term immunity. Further immunization against the disease is not likely to provide benefit.

Definition:

Evidence of immunity indicates that a person has plausible evidence that they have already developed immunity to a particular disease. The definition of plausible evidence is a local decision, but best practice would suggest that serological evidence of immunity is the strongest indicator of immunity.

The example below shows that no dose of Hep B vaccine was given because the person had evidence of previous infection with Hep B.

```
ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron| <CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20090412|20090412|998^No vaccine administered^CVX|999|||NA<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|CE|59784-9^Disease with presumed immunity ^LN|1|66071002^HISTORY  
OF HEP B INFECTION^SCT|||||F<CR>
```

Contraindications to immunization:

There are a number of contraindications to immunization. These may be temporary or permanent. One is a history of reactions to previous immunization. That is dealt with above. Others include allergies to components of vaccines, physical conditions, current medication and current illnesses.

Definition:

A contraindication is any physical condition, current medication or other factor that indicates that a person should not receive an immunization that may be associated with the contraindication. This contraindication may be temporary or permanent.

LOINC: 30945-0

Examples:

```
OBX|1|CE|30945-0^Vaccination contraindication^LN|1|91930004^allergy  
to eggs^SCT|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|CE|30945-0^Vaccination contraindication^LN|1|VXC19^allergy to  
thimerasol (anaphylactic)^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

Factors which indicate the need for an immunization or a changed recommendation:

Several factors can drive the need for a specific immunization or a change in the normal schedule for immunization. These may be an exposure to an infection, such as rabies. Other risk factors may include membership in a risk group.

Definition:

A risk factor is some characteristic of an individual, which may lead to a recommendation for a specific vaccine.

```
OBX|1|CE|59785-6^Special Indication for  
vaccination^LN|1|VXC7^exposure to  
rabies^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

Example VXU #5 – Send immunizations associated with reactions (adverse events)

Some people experience adverse events after receipt of an immunization. In many cases, Immunization Information Systems (IIS) record these in conjunction with a specific immunization event. Occasionally, the exact immunization event information is unknown. (e.g. anaphylaxis occurred after a previous dose, years in the past.)

Definition:

An adverse reaction is a negative physical condition that occurs shortly after one or more immunizations have been received.

LOINC code: 31044-1

Value Set is Vaccination Reaction in CDCPHINVS

```
ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron|^Pediatric^MARY^^^^^^L^^^^^^  
^^^^^MD<CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20090412|20090412|48^HIB PRP-T^CVX|999|||00^new immunization  
record^NIP0001|^Sticker^Nurse|^DCS_DC|||33k2a||PMC^sanofi^MVX|||C  
P<CR>
```

```
RXR|C28161^IM^NCIT^IM^IM^HL70162|<CR>
```

```
OBX|1|CE|31044-1^reaction^LN|1|VXC12^fever > 40.5  
C^CDCPHINVS|||||F|||20090415<CR>
```

OBX|1|CE|31044-1^reaction^LN|1|81308009^encephalopathy, disorder of brain^SCT|||||F|||20090415<CR>

This example describes a dose of HIB given on 4/12/2009. On 4/15/2009, the client experienced a fever > 40.5C and encephalopathy.

Example VXU #6 –Delete an Immunization Record

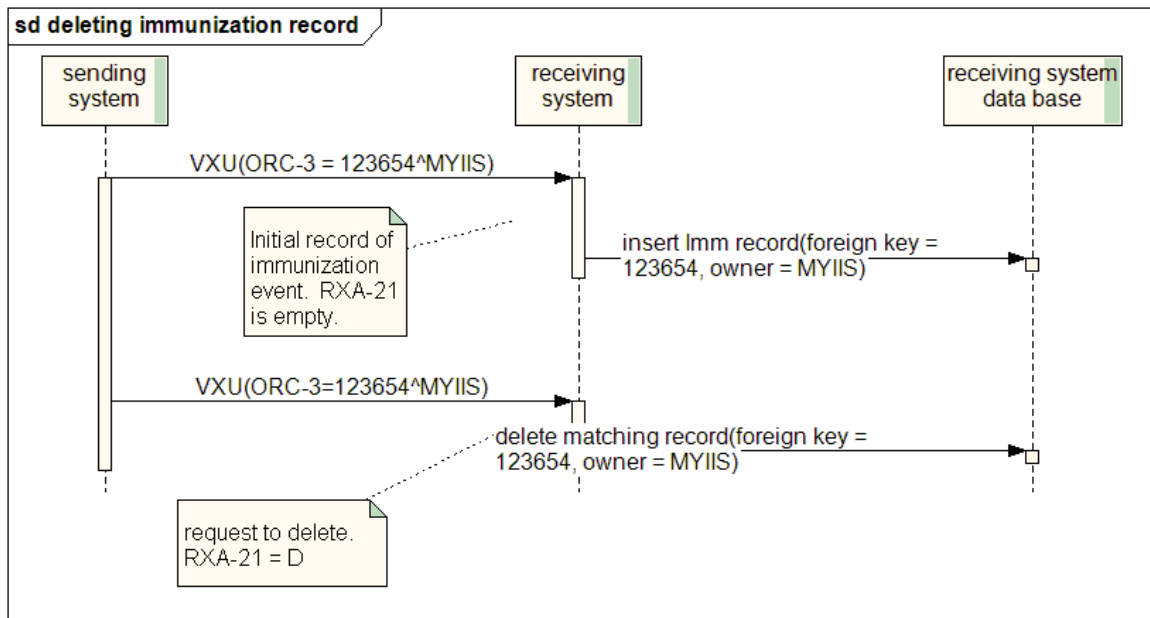
There are occasions when a system that has sent an immunization record to another system wishes to delete the record on the other system. There are several approaches that may be taken. The approach selected depends on the rules and capabilities of both systems.

One approach uses a snap shot approach. Each time an immunization history is sent, it replaces the entire immunization history on the receiving side.

Another approach is to use the RXA-21, Action Code to request deletion of a specific record. Some systems will match the request with an existing immunization record based on vaccine, vaccination date and other factors implicit in the record and the request. They may also use the ORC-3, Filler Order Number, to uniquely delete the record of interest.

The following diagram illustrates how the ORC-3 may be used to identify an immunization record for deletion⁵³. Note that the sending system includes the sending system unique id in the ORC-3 first component. The second component is the assigning authority, in this case a system that is labeled MYIIS. In order for a later delete request to be successful, the receiving system must store those values. A subsequent request to delete an immunization record includes the sending system id and assigning authority. The receiving system searches for an immunization record with the same sending system id and assigning authority. In this case we show that the record match is made and the record is deleted from the receiving system.

⁵³ The other approaches will not be further illustrated here.



VXU Example #7--Send Information About Vaccine Information Statement (VIS)

The Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) is a document that explains the reasons for a vaccine and the potential risks from receiving the vaccine. IIS track the fact that a VIS was shared with the client or parent. There are three pieces of information about each event.

- The focus of the VIS or the VIS document type
- The date that the VIS was presented to the client/parent.
- The publication date (also known as Edition Date) of the VIS that was presented.

These are carried in separate OBX segments associated with a vaccination event (RXA). These OBX are linked by the value in the sub-id field. (OBX-4)

The VIS type may be indicated in one of two ways. The original way is to indicate the vaccine type in an OBX using a CVX code. For a vaccine that is a combination of vaccines, there are often separate VIS for each vaccine. This may be handled by sending 2 sets of OBX, one for each vaccine. See example below.

A new method for indicating VIS type is based on a scanned bar code of a Global Document Type Identifier (GDTI). The GDTI is composed of a document owner, an application, a document type identifier and a check digit. The fully encoded text string of the GDTI will be sent in an OBX segment. The mapping of the fully encoded string will be found in a table supported by the CDC. The publication date maybe inferred from the fully encoded GDTI. Therefore only the presentation date and GDTI need to be sent.

Example 1-Single vaccine (vaccine type approach)

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||03^MMR^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+|||||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^^MVX|||CP<CR>
OBX|1|CE|30956-7^vaccine type^LN|1|03^MMR^CVX|||||F<CR>
OBX|2|TS|29768-9^VIS Publication Date^LN|1|20080110|||||F<CR>
OBX|3|TS|29769-7^VIS Presentation Date^LN|1|20091010|||||F<CR>
```

In this example the person received a dose of MMR on 10/10/2009. They received a VIS sheet on the same day. The document had a publication date of 1/10/2008.

Example 2-Combination vaccine (vaccine type approach)

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||94^MMRV^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+|||||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^^MVX|||CP<CR>
OBX|1|CE|38890-0^Component Vaccine Type^LN|1|21^Varicella^CVX|||||F<CR>
OBX|2|TS|29768-9^VIS Publication Date^LN|1|20091010|||||F<CR>
OBX|3|TS|29769-9^VIS Presentation Date^LN|1|20101010|||||F<CR>
OBX|4|CE|38890-0^Component Vaccine Type^LN N|2|03^MMR^CVX|||||F<CR>
OBX|5|TS|29768-9^VIS Publication Date^LN|2|20071010|||||F<CR>
OBX|6|TS|29768-9^VIS Presentation Date^LN|2|20101010|||||F<CR>
```

Example 3-Single vaccine (GDTI approach)

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||03^MMR^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+|||||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^^MVX|||CP<CR>
OBX|1|CE| 69764-9^document type^LN|1|253088698300012711120420^MMR^ cdcgs1vis|||||F<CR>
OBX|3|TS|29769-7^VIS Presentation Date^LN|1|20091010|||||F<CR>
```

In this example the person received a dose of MMR on 10/10/2009. They received a VIS sheet on the same day. The document had a publication date of 1/10/2008 (determined from the lookup table of VIS GDTI).

Example 4-Combination vaccine (GDTI approach)

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||94^MMRV^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+|||||||EZ342|20111001|MSD^^MVX|||CP<CR>
OBX|1|CE|69764-9^Document Type^LN|1|253088698300013411100521^MMRV^ cdcgs1vis |||||F<CR>
OBX|3|TS|29769-9^VIS Presentation Date^LN|1|20101010|||||F<CR>
```

Note that not all combination vaccines have a single VIS. They would require that an OBX pair be sent for each VIS given to the patient.

This example shows that a person received an MMRV on 10/10/2007. They received 1 VIS document for MMRV. The publication date was 5/21/2010. (Determined from lookup table.

VXU Example #8—Send Information About Immunization Refusal

Clients or their parents may choose not to be immunized against a particular disease or diseases. It is important to share this information when sending immunization histories using HL7. There are several components to messaging a refusal. The refusal reason is indicated in RXA-18. The Completion Status in RXA-20 indicates that the vaccine was not given. The amount given should be 0. The following example illustrates how to accomplish this.

```
ORC|RE||197027^DCS|||||^Clerk^Myron <CR>
```

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||107^DTAP-NOS^CVX|999|||||||00^Parental refusal^NIP002||RE<CR>
```

This example shows that on 10/10/2009 this client's parent refused to have the child receive a DTAP immunization. Note that the ORC is still required. Filler Order Number is still required, but meaningless.

Note that RXA-2 is NOT used to indicate dose number, as it had in the past Guide. It is constrained to have a value of 1.

VXU Example #9—Send Two Lot Numbers in RXA

There are occasions when two vaccines are combined at the time of administration. The RXA segment should be used to capture this information, specifically the RXA-15 field. This field allows repetition. Each separate Lot number can be placed here with a ~ separating the two lot numbers. Each component belongs to one or more vaccine groups or families.

For example, if we needed to include an immunization record where the vaccine was Pentacel, we would put the lot number from the first component in sequence 15, followed by a ~ and then the second lot number. The specific RXA field is highlighted below in yellow.

Example:

```
RXA|0|1|20080907|20080907|120^DTAP-IPV-HIB^CVX^^|.5|ML^ISO+||00^NEW  
IMMUNIZATION RECORD^NIP001|1234567890^SMITH^SALLY^S||  
||1234ad~455sd||PMC^Sanofi^MVX||CP |<CR>
```

VXU Example #10—Recording Birth Information

Birth information can be a powerful tool in identity resolution. Components of birth information are listed in the NVAC core data elements. The information that can be carried in an HL7 message includes:

Table B-6--Birth Information Fields

Field	HL7 message Component	Example
Birth date	PID-7	19500512
Birth Registration Number	PID-3 (as one identifier in list)	12345^^^assigning authority^BR
Birth order	PID-24	2
Multiple Birth Indicator	PID-25	Y
Birth State	PID-11 (as one address in list, use address type BDL)	^^^WI^^^BDL
Birth facility	PID-23	Children's Hospital

Note that Birth Facility is not used for Birth State.

VXU Example #11—Recording an incompletely administered dose or a non-potent dose.

There are occasions when a dose is not completely administered. For example a child may jump away during injection and an unknown quantity was administered. In this case, the dose needs to be recorded to support accurate inventory management and to allow for recall of the client if there is a recall of the vaccine. This is accomplished using the Completion status in RXA-20. The RXA is completed as usual, but the completion status is set to PA. If more details are of interest, then this information may be placed in an NTE segment under an OBX segment. If the reason is a non-potent dose, then this information may be included in an OBX.

```
RXA|0|1|20091010||03^MMR^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+||||||A23E1||MSD^^MVX||||PA<CR>
```

Send Acknowledgement ACK In Response To VXU

Sending an acknowledgement can accomplish one of a number of tasks. It can indicate that the message that was sent was successfully received and processed. It can also indicate that the message had errors. When a message is sent, it can indicate when an acknowledgement is expected. The choices may include always, only on error or never.

The ability to accept ACK messages allows sending system managers to trouble-shoot communications. It allows them to identify systematic problems with message creation. Being able to send ACK allows receiving system managers to inform sending system managers about the nature of errors received.

Send acknowledgement of success in ACK

Some systems may wish to receive an acknowledgment message, regardless of whether the receiving system had problems with the message. In that case, there is a relatively straightforward response.

```
MSH|^~&|DCS|MYIIS|MYIIS||20090604||ACK^V04^ACK|9299381|P|2.5.1|||ER<CR>  
MSA|AA|9299381<CR>
```

In the example above, the system with the code DCS is sending an acknowledgement to the system with the code MYIIS on June 4, 2009. The message indicates that there were no errors in processing. DCS only wants an acknowledgement if MYIIS encounters an error in processing the acknowledgement.

Send Error in ACK

When there are errors, these can either be fatal or non-fatal. Fatal errors indicate that the message that was sent was not able to be processed. Non-fatal means that the message that was sent had some type of error, which did not prevent the message from being processed. Some data may have been lost as a result of the error. In addition, the error may have been in the processing of the HL7 or violation of a local business rule.

Acknowledging A Fatal HL7 Processing Error:

There are a number of problems that may cause a fatal error when processing an HL7 message that are based on HL7 rules. These include missing required segments. If a required field is missing, then the segment is treated as missing. If this is a required segment, then the error becomes fatal.

```
MSH|^~&|DCS|MYIIS|MYIIS||20090604||ACK^V04^ACK|9299381|P|2.5.1|||ER<CR>  
MSA|AR|9299381<CR>  
ERR||PID^5|101^required field missing^HL70357|E<CR>  
ERR||PID|100^required segment missing^HL70357|E<CR>
```

In the example message above, we see that the PID-5 (patient name) field was missing. Since this is a required field in a PID, the PID is ignored and therefore is missing.

Note that local violation of local business rules may be returned in an acknowledgement message. Those rules are best represented in codes that are referenced in a local table. These may be recorded in the ERR segment. A local business rule may lead to rejection of parts or all of a message. For instance, a local business rule may state that the system requires a first name for every person. If no first name is included in the message, then the system rejects the field for name (PID-5). Since this is a required field in a required message, the entire message is rejected. There would be a third ERR segment indicating that a locally required component was missing. (No example is given, as there is no local table of errors in this appendix.)

Acknowledging A Non-Fatal HL7 Processing Error:

A non-fatal error may occur for a number of reasons. One example would occur when a non-required component or field is malformed. For instance, Last Update Date is not a required field. If the message indicated that the last update occurred on February 31, 2009, then that field would be ignored. Since the field is not required, the segment would not be rejected.

Local business rules should specify what will occur for each type of error. In the case above, the field could be ignored, it could be accepted and flagged for further follow-up, the entire message could be rejected or the bad data could be stored in the data base as.

```
MSH|^~&|DCS|MYIIS|MYIIS||20090604||ACK^V04^ACK|9299381|P|2.5.1|||ER  
MSA|AE|9299381  
ERR||PID^33|207^application internal error^HL70357|I
```

The example above indicates that an error occurred in PID-33 (last updated date). It did not cause the message to be rejected.

Send Request for Vaccine History (QBP/RSP)

Process for requesting Immunization History

Requesting an immunization history is a key function supported by messaging. As described above, a complete immunization history includes all the information needed for evaluating what immunizations have been received and what ones are needed next. This query is defined in a Query Profile in Chapter 7 of the Implementation Guide. The requesting system sends a request with some combination of demographic and identifier information. This Implementation Guide replicates the functionality of the VXQ/VXX/VXR query and responses.

Description of the VXQ/VXX/VXR Process From Version 2.3.1

The following describes the process that was used when responding to a VXQ and is included to give background. As described in the use cases in Chapter 2 of this Guide, requesting an immunization history requires the responding system to find a matching client. The old VXQ query required implicit identity resolution. That is, the responding system used locally defined methods to find a person and if exactly one high-confidence match was found, returned an immunization history. If lower confidence matches were found, it returned a list of clients with their identifiers (PID,NK1) for review by a person on the requesting system. If one of the candidates was selected and returned in a second VXQ, then the one high-confidence match is returned. The following diagram illustrates the flow. (The messages between systems are bolded arrows.)

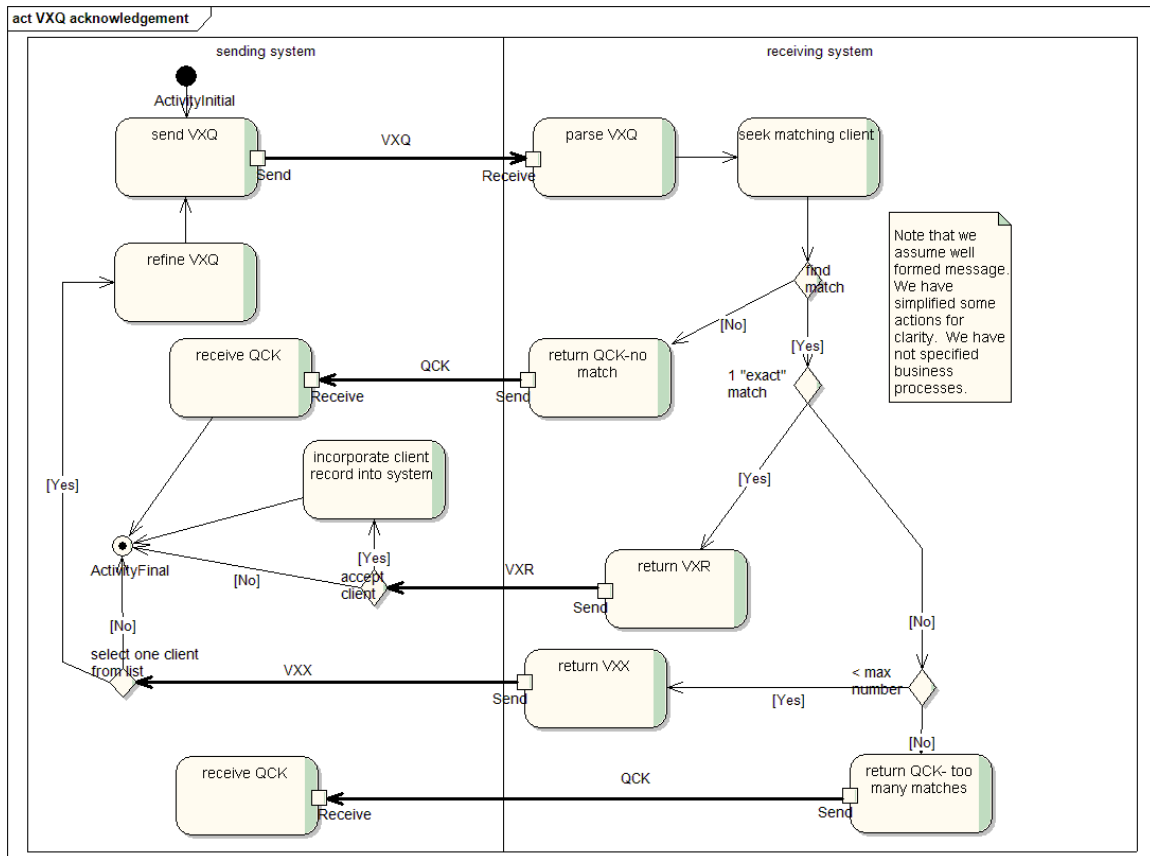


Figure 7--VXQ/VXX/VXR processes

The receiving system applies locally defined search logic. There are 4 possible outcomes if the message is successfully processed:

1. The search finds exactly one high confidence candidate client to return.
 - a. Immunization history is returned.
 - b. If sending system user may choose to accept the immunization history, the sending system follows local protocols for incorporating the new record.
2. The search finds one or more candidate clients.
 - a. Sending system user selects the one of interest and resends the VXQ with the more complete information.
3. The search finds no candidates to return.
 - a. An acknowledgement is returned to the sending system.
4. The message is malformed and no query is processed.
 - a. An acknowledgement is returned to the sending system.

Step 2 is the step where the implicit identity resolution occurs.

The newer QBP-style query allows identity resolution to be separated from request for content. This is accomplished using a two-step approach. It mirrors the flow of the VXQ when lower confidence candidates are found and returned. One industry standard for accomplishing this two-step approach is the Patient Demographic Query (profile by IHE).

This Guide allows either exact replication of the VXQ/VXX/VXR approach or a two-step approach. The two-step process accomplishes the same goal as the old process, but separates the request for immunization history and the request for identity resolution. The two-step approach takes the results of the selection from the identity resolution and requests the immunization history for the selected person. Note that this two-step approach also facilitates interaction with a Master Patient index (MPI).

This Guide and Appendix does NOT prescribe the search methods, so these should be described in a local profile or implementation guide.

In addition, this guide does not define the meaning of exact matches. This needs to be specified locally.

Using QBP query to replicate VXQ/VXX/VXR

The diagram for the new query is very similar to the previous diagram. The only real differences are the messages used. In place of the VXQ, a Request Immunization History query (QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11) is sent. It has an MSH-21, profile id of Z34^CDCPHINVS. In place of a VXX, a Return Candidate List response is returned (profile id of Z31^CDCPHINVS). In place of a VXR, a Return Immunization History response is returned (profile id of Z32^CDCPHINVS).

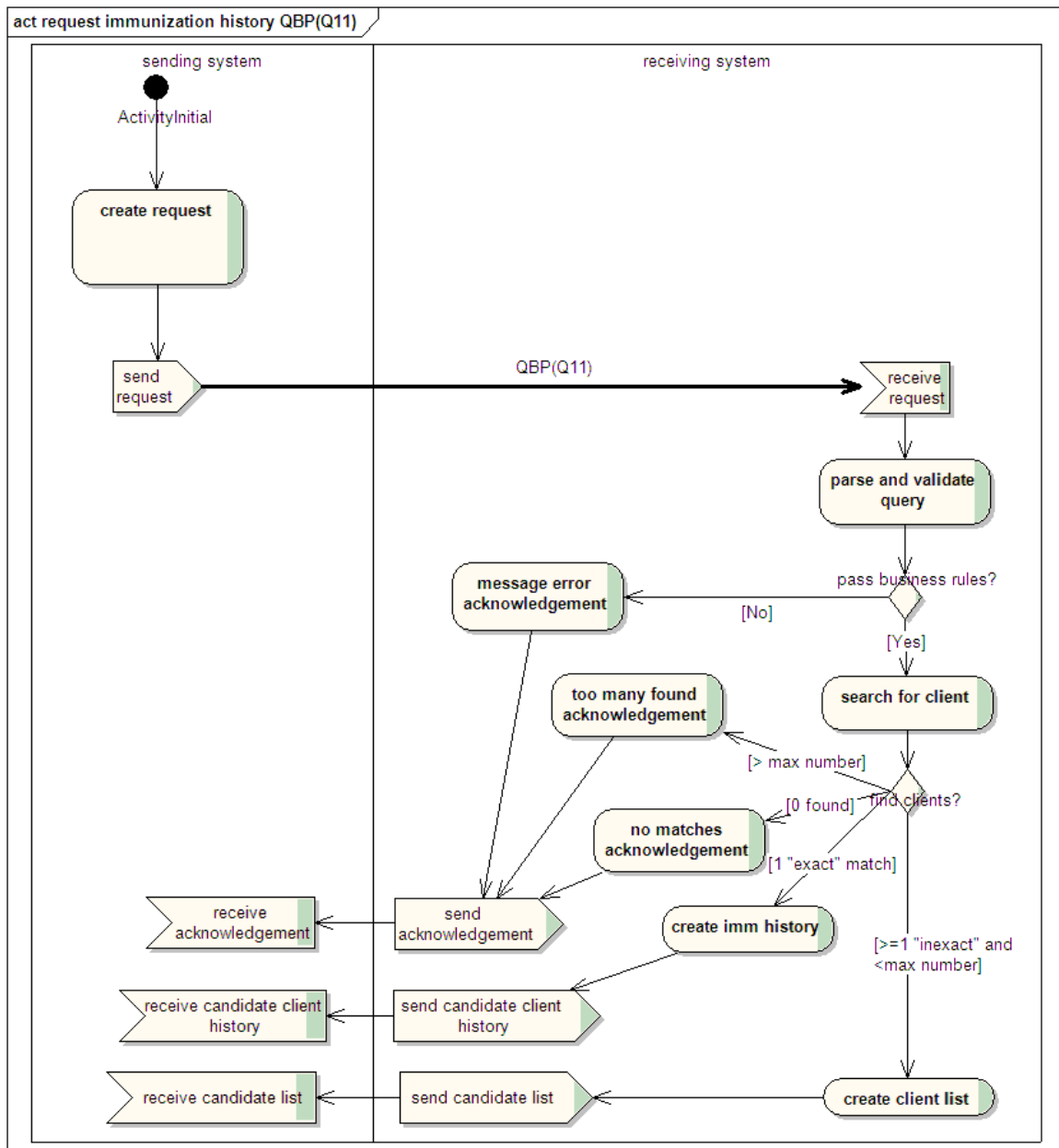


Figure 8--Request Immunization History

1. The process for sending a query requesting an Immunization history begins with the sending system building the message.
2. The sending system connects to the receiving system and sends the query message.
3. The receiving system accepts the message.
4. The receiving system parses the message and validates.
 - a. Determine if message meets HL7 rules

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- b. Validate based on local business rules⁵⁴
 5. Seek matching client in receiver data base⁵⁵
 - a. No match is found
 - b. Exactly one match is found.
 - c. One or more inexact matches and less than maximum plus 1 allowed⁵⁶ matches found.
 - d. More than the maximum allowed matches found.
 - e. One or more clients are found, but they do not want their records shared.
 6. The receiving system responds (see below).

When a client is does not want his/her data shared and is found, local business rules need to be applied. For instance, some applications may behave as if the client record does not exist in the system. That is, it would respond with a “no records found” message. The exception to this would be if the requesting provider were the one who set the protection indicator. In this case, the person may be a candidate that is returned. Another response might be to send limited information notifying the requesting system that the person exists, but wants his/her records protected.

The sending system must deal with the returned messages. While it is outside the scope of this implementation guide, there are some logical actions. These actions should be documented locally. The following indicate some of the possibilities. The list is neither prescriptive nor complete.

- One candidate immunization history is returned.
 - User reviews and accepts
 - User reviews and rejects
 - Requesting system accepts and marks for review.
- A list of candidates are returned
 - User reviews and selects one
 - New QBP is sent using the identifying information from the RSP list
 - User reviews and rejects all
 - User creates a new query with more or different information
 - Requesting system accepts and stores the list for later review.

The following is an example query using the QBP^Q11 query profile specified in the Implementation Guide.

⁵⁴ The process for responding is documented below.

⁵⁵ Each case will be detailed below. Note that this is an area that should clearly be documented by each system in a local profile or implementation guide.

⁵⁶ This maximum may be set by the sending system and may be determined by the receiving system. The maximum will be the smaller of the two.

MSH|^~\&|||||QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11|793543|P|2.5.1|||||||Z34^CDCPHINVS <CR>

QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
|37374859|123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>

RCP|||5^RD^HL70126|R^real-time^HL70394<CR>

This query is being sent from a system with a name space identifier of MYEHR. It is requesting an immunization history for a person named Bobbie Q Child. His mother's maiden name was Suzy Que. He was born 5/12/2005 and lives at 10 East Main St, Myfaircity, Georgia. His medical record number with MYEHR is 12345. The most records that the requesting system wants returned if lower confidence candidates are returned is 5. Processing is expected to be "immediate".

Local implementations will specify which fields are required in the QPD. All fields have a usage of RE (required, but may be empty). This means that sending systems may populate any or all of these fields. Receiving systems must accept values in any of these fields, but may specify which are required and which will be ignored.

Returning a list of candidate clients in response to QBP^Q11 query

When a system receives a QBP^Q11 Request for Immunization History query, it may find one or more, lower confidence candidates. In this case it returns an RSP that contains a list of these candidates. It includes all pertinent information in PID, NK1 and PD1 segments. If the number of candidates is greater than the maximum number requested by the querying system or greater than the maximum number the responding system allows to be returned, then an error acknowledgment will be sent. (See below)

Note that PID-1, Set Id, is required when returning a list of PID.

The following example RSP message illustrates the case when 2 candidates have been found by the responding system. All known information for each candidate that can be included in PID, NK1 and PD1 segments is returned. We assume that the medical record number sent in the query is not known to the responding system. If it were, it is unlikely that the responding system would find lower confidence candidates.

The actual logic used to find the candidates is not specified by this document. It may be as simple as exact string and date matching or as complex as a probabilistic search algorithm.

MSH|^~\&|SOME_SYSTEM|A_Clinic|MYIIS|MyStateIIS|20091105||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|37374859|P|2.5.1|||||||Z31^CDC
PHINVS<CR>

MSA|AA|793543<CR>

QAK|37374859|AA<CR>

QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
|37374859|123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main

St^^Myfaircity^GA^^L<CR

PID|1||99445566^^MYStateIIS^SR||Child^Robert^^^^L||20050512|M<CR>

NK1||Child^Susan|MTH^Mother^HL70063|^Myfaircity^GA<CR>

PID|2||123456^^MYStateIIS^SR||Child^Robert^^^^L||20050512|M<CR>

This response includes 2 candidates that must be reviewed by the person requesting records. If they select a specific client and repeat the Request Immunization History query with the refined information, they should receive a response that includes the complete immunization history from the IIS. Note the use of PID-1, set id.

Returning an immunization history in response to a Request for Immunization History query

When the Request Immunization History query finds one high-confidence match, the matching client's immunization history is returned in the response. The following example message shows a simple response. Note that this query could have been a secondary query that occurred after preliminary identity resolution or a primary query with sufficient demographic data to permit matching.

MSH||MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|7731029|P|2.5.1|||||||Z32^CDCPHINVS<CR>

MSA|AA|793543<CR>

QAK|37374859|OK| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS <CR>

QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
|37374859|123456^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^L<CR

PID|1||123456^^MYEHR^MR||Child^Robert^Quenton^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^M|||||10 East Main St^^Myfaircity^GA<CR>

PD1|||||||||N|20091130<CR>

NK1|1|Child^Suzy^^^^L|MTH^Mother^HL70063<CR>

PV1||R|||||||||V03^20091130<CR>

ORC|RE||142324567^YOUR_EHR|||||^Shotgiver^Fred||^Orderwriter^Sally^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^MD<CR>

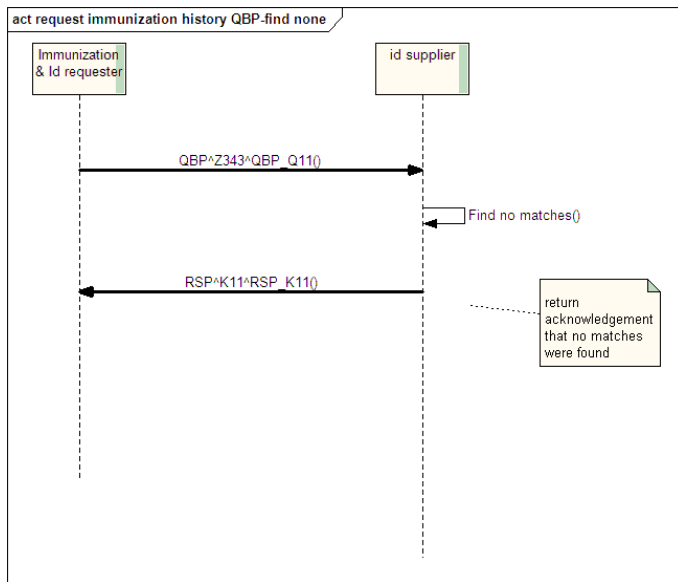
RXA|0|1|20050725||03^MMR^CVX|0.5|ML^^ISO+|^New Immunization Record^NIP001<CR>

RXR|SC^^HL70162<CR>

Note that the response returned the medical record number from the MYEHR system. It could also have returned the IIS id. This is a policy decision set locally.

Acknowledging a Query that finds no candidate clients

A well-formed query may find no matching candidates. This is not an error, but should be acknowledged in a response message. The following example message shows how this may be done. Note that the Request Immunization History response grammar indicates that MSH, MSA, QAK and QPD are required segments.



QAK-2 indicates that no data were found that matched the query parameters.

```
MSH||MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|7731029|P|2.5.1|||||Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS<CR>
```

```
MSA|AE|793543<CR>
```

```
QAK|37374859|NF|Z34^request Immunization history^CDCPHINVS<CR>
```

```
QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
|37374859|123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>
```

Acknowledging a query that finds more candidates than requested

The sending system sets an upper limit on the number of candidates it will accept in response to a query in RCP-2. It expects that a responding system will send no more candidates than this number. In addition, the responding system may have an upper limit on the number of candidates that it will return. This number may be lower than the requesting system. It will trump the requesting system upper limit. In either case, if the responding system finds more candidates than the upper limit, then it responds with and acknowledgement indicating that too many candidates were found. QAK-2 indicates that there were too many candidates found that matched the query parameters.

```
MSH||MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|7731029|P|2.5.1|||||Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS <CR>
```

```
MSA|AE|793543<CR>
```

```
QAK|37374859|TF|Z34^request Immunization history^CDCPHINVS<CR>
```

```
QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS
|37374859|123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>
```

Using a Two-step process to request an immunization history

The IHE profile defines 2 queries for obtaining an ID of interest. One query requests an id based on the demographic information included in the query (PDQ, using the Pediatric Demographic profile). When a match is found, it returns the relevant id and demographic information. The other query seeks an id for a person from one registered provider based on the id from another registered provider (PIX).

The use of the IHE Patient Identification Cross-Referencing (PIX) and Patient Demographic Query (PDQ) transactions is an alternative approach which separates retrieval/update of a patient identifier and retrieval/update of immunization data into two messaging transactions.

A Patient Demographic Supplier may be a Master Person Index or other source of patient demographic and identification information. While we will focus on an MPI below, any Patient Demographic Supplier may be substituted.

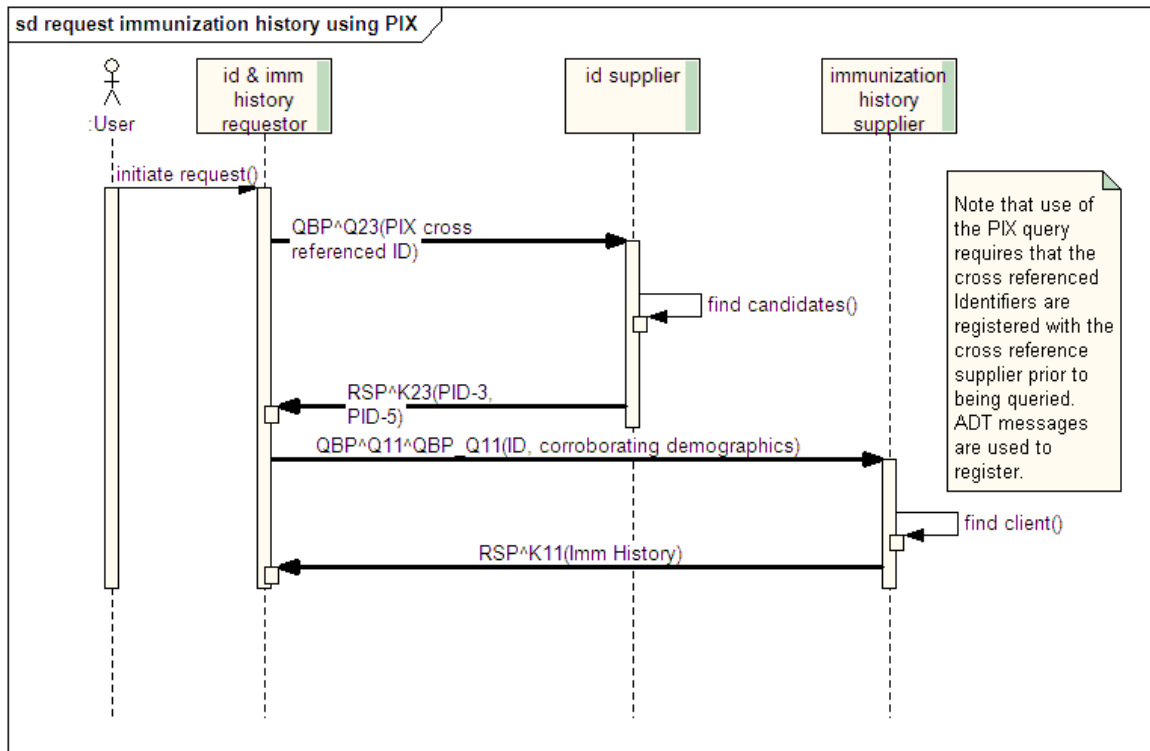
A Master Person Index is a database that contains demographic and locating information of registered persons and associates each person with the identifiers for the person from each of the participating systems. This allows one system to request the identifier for a person that was assigned by another system. This id may be used to request data from that second system and assures a positive match.

Systems that participate in an MPI should register each person they are interested in with the MPI. An excellent profile for maintaining and interacting with an MPI has been published by the group, Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE). That profile will not be replicated here. However, the process for requesting personal identifier outlined below is based on that profile.

Adding a patient record to an MPI is done by a PIX transaction using an ADT message. This method may be used by an EHR or by an IIS, or both, to add a patient identifier to an MPI. The PIX profile, described in the IHE Technical Framework Volume I, includes specific transactions that describe the segments and fields to be used. These ADT-based transactions are described in the IHE Technical Framework Volume II. The standard transaction used by PIX is ITI-8, which uses an HL7 V2.3.1 ADT. The Pediatric Demographics Option, described at this writing in a supplement to PIX and PDQ, is preferred for interactions with MPIs managing IIS data. The use of the Pediatric Demographics Option adds ITI-30, which uses an HL7 V2.5 ADT.

Once a person has been registered with the MPI, a PIX Query may be used to retrieve the cross-referenced IIS identifier (if any).

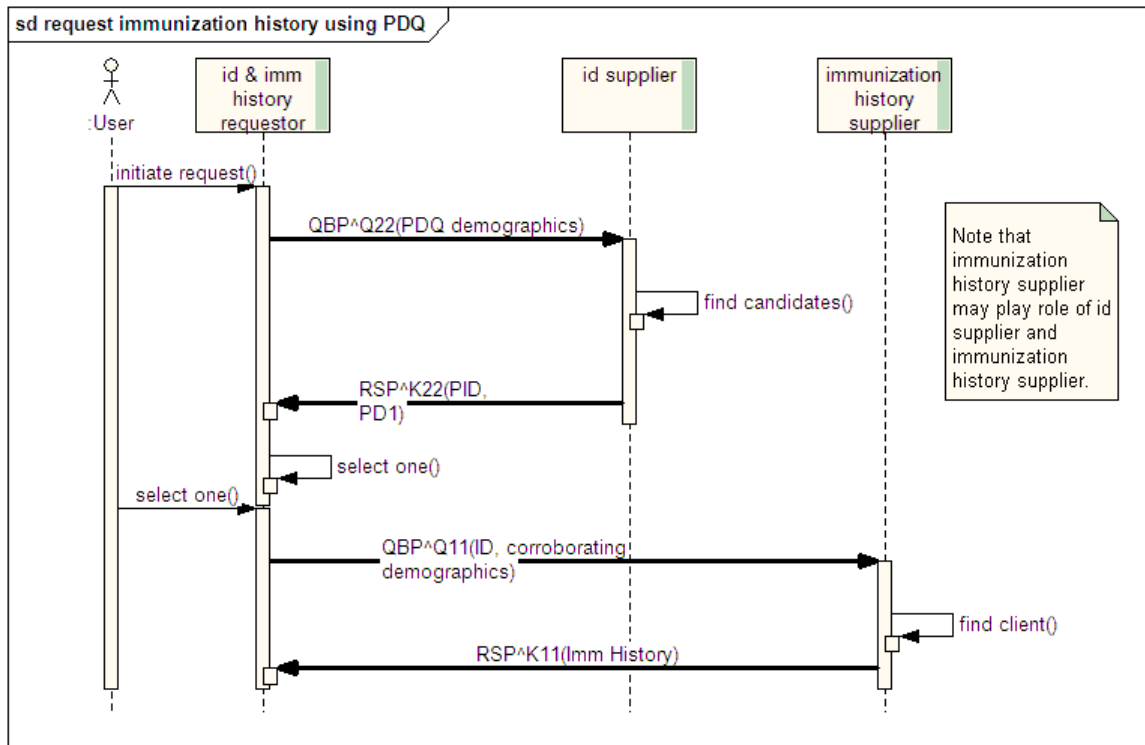
The following diagram illustrates the use of the PIX query to get a pre-registered patient identifier. This requires that the cross-referenced identifiers are registered using the ADT message.



Note that this interaction is simplified. The initiating system sends a request for a patient identifier. The request includes one identifier in a PID-3. The identity supplier looks for a matching identifier of interest and returns it along with the patient name (PID-5). This information is included in the request immunization history query (QBP^Q11). Assuming that the identifier used is the one in the immunization history supplier, there should be a one to one match.

If the EHR wishes to retrieve the IIS id without previously registering the patient with the MPI, or if it wishes to query the MPI by demographics for some other reason, it may use a Patient Demographics Query to do so.

The following diagram illustrates the use of PDQ to obtain an id and how this would be used to request an immunization record. The record seeker uses a Patient Demographic Query (PDQ) to a Master Person Index (MPI), requesting the identifiers for the person of interest. The MPI finds the person of interest and returns the demographic information and identifiers. The record seeker system uses this information to create a request for immunization history, which it sends to the record source. The record source uses this information to find the immunization history for the person of interest.



Note that this interaction is simplified. The client of interest would be selected and that client's information would populate the query requesting an immunization history. To be assured of success, the record source system would need to have registered the person in the MPI. In that way the person id in the record source would be available in the MPI.

The diagrams illustrating the PIX Query and Patient Demographics Query (PDQ) approaches share similar flow to the original VXQ message. PIX Query followed by a Request Immunization History using the retrieved identifier is similar to a VXQ/VXR. PDQ followed by an Request Immunization History replicates a VXQ/VXX and VXQ/VXR.⁵⁷

The following illustrates one of the above-described messages, the Patient Demographics Query. For examples of other messages, IHE documentation should be consulted.

```
MSH|^~\&| MYIIS|MyStatelIS|SOME_SYSTEM|A_Clinic |20091105||QBP^Q22^ ||P|2.5.1||||| <CR>
```

⁵⁷ It is possible that even with the two-step process, an exact match may not be found for the record of interest. This is especially true if the source of identity resolution is not exactly in synch with the source of the immunization history. Local rules should dictate the response to this situation.

QPD|^IHE PDQ Query^
|37374859|@PID.3.1^123456~@PID.3.4^MYEHR~@PID.3.5^MR~@PID.5.1.1^Child~@PID.5.2^Bobbie~@PID.5.3^Q
~@PID.6.1.1^Que~@PID.6.2^Suzy ~@PID.7^20050512~@PID.8^M~@PID.11.1.1^10 East Main
St^~@PID.11.3^Myfaircity~@PID.11.4^GA <CR>

RCP||5^RD^HL70126|R^real-time^HL70394<CR>

Note that the intent of the Quantity Limited Request differs from its use in the Request Immunization History query. Here it means send me batches of 5 records until you have sent them all. In the Request Immunization History query it means return a list of up to five clients, but if you find more, then send me an error indicating too many records found.

Returning a list of candidate clients in response to PDQ query

The response to a PDQ query is very similar to that of a Request for Immunization History query which finds lower confidence matches. The most significant differences include:

- No NK1 is returned. MPIs implementing the Pediatric Demographics Option use Mother's Maiden name in the PID segment to provide equivalent value in patient record matching.
- If more than the maximum records are found they are returned in batches of up to the maximum records specified in the query
- Potential use of DSC segment to support return of batches of records

The following example shows a return similar to the response message returned by the request for immunization history query (above). Note that in both cases, the response message returns all information that it knows about each client in the segments required for each response.

MSH|^~\&|SOME_SYSTEM|A_Clinic|MYIIS|MyStateIIS|20091105||RSP^K22^ |37374859|P|2.5.1||||||| <CR>

MSA|AA|793543<CR>

QAK|37374859|AA<CR>

QPD|^IHE PDQ Query^
|37374859|@PID.3^123456^^^MYEHR^MR~@PID.5^Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L~PID.6^Que^Suzy^^^^M~@PID.7^20050512
@PID.8^M~@PID.11^10 East Main St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^^L~@PID.18^<CR>

PID|1||99445566^^^MYStateIIS^SR||Child^Robert^^^^L||20050512|M<CR>

PID|2||123456^^^MYStateIIS^SR||Child^Robert^^^^L||20050512|M<CR>

Using PIX in preparation for reporting an Immunization Record to an IIS

In the case where an IIS participates in an MPI, the EHR may use a PIX Query to retrieve the IIS identifier from the MPI prior to sending an immunization record to the IIS.

In the case where the IIS identifier is returned by the MPI, the VXU message sent to the IIS may contain the IIS ID

A user may believe that a candidate does exist and may choose to refine the query parameters and re-query.

Receiving system determines that message has errors

HL7 Message Rule Errors

There are two classes of error related to HL7 message rules. The first is when a message is well formed, but the query has errors in content or format. The second occurs when the message is malformed and cannot be parsed by the recipient.

The following examples illustrate how each is reported.

Malformed Query:

Initiating Query:

```
MSH|^~\&|||||QBP^Q11^QBP_Q11|793543|P|2.5.1|||||||Z34^CDCPHINVS. <CR>
```

```
QPD|Z34^Request Immunization  
History^CDCPHINVS||123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main  
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>
```

Note that only the MSH and QPD segments will be displayed above. The QPD does not have data in a required field, the Query Tag field (QPD-2).

```
MSH|^~\&|MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|7731029|P|2.5.1||||||| Z34^Request Immunization  
History^CDCPHINVS <CR>
```

```
MSA|AE|7731029<CR>
```

```
ERR||QPD^1^2|101^required field missing^HL70357|E<CR>
```

```
QAK||AE|Z34^request Immunization history^CDCPHINVS<CR>
```

```
QPD| Z34^Request Immunization History^CDCPHINVS  
||123456^^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>
```

Note that QAK-1 Query tag is empty in this case, because it was missing in the initiating query.

Malformed message

When a malformed message is received, the response is an ACK with AR in the MSA-1 (Acknowledgement Code)

```
MSH|^~\&|MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||ACK||P <CR>
```

MSA|AR|<CR>

This message indicates that the application rejected the message.

Receiving System Business Rule Errors

Fatal Error:

Date sent in a required field is not legitimate (February 30, 2009)

Non-fatal error:

No Match Is Found

If no match is found, then the receiving system sends a response that indicates that the message was accepted and found no data. Note that this might occur if one client was found, but does not want his/her data shared with a different provider.

MSH|^~\&|MYIIS|MyStateIIS||MYEHR|20091130||RSP^K11^RSP_K11|7731029|P|2.5.1|||||||
MSA|AA|7731029<CR>

QAK|37374859|NF|Z34^request Immunization history^PHINVS<CR>

QPD|Z34^Request Immunization
History^HL70471|37374859|123456^^MYEHR^MR|Child^Bobbie^Q^^^^L|Que^Suzy^^^^M|20050512|M|10 East Main
St^^Myfaircity^GA^^^L<CR>