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Ref no	Doc Reference Number	Title	Version

1	NPFIT-SHR-QMS-PRP-0015	Glossary of Terms Consolidated.doc	0.12
2	NPFIT-PC-BLD-0170	Large Messaging Supplementary Specification	
3	NPFIT-PC-BLD-0069	Spine Technical Design	
4	NPFIT-PC-BLD-0099	Guidance on missing attachments	
5	www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2396.txt	RFC 2396	

Glossary of Terms:

List any new terms created in this document. Mail the NPO Quality Manager to have these included in the master glossary above [1].

Term	Acronym	Definition

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1. Purpose

The suppliers currently involved in GP2GP Transfer have previously implemented slightly different mechanisms for referencing documents held externally to the HL7 message. This document defines the required model for all suppliers to use when building Attachment References within a GP2GP Messages.

This specification must be read in conjunction with the Large Messaging Supplementary Specification [2], Spine Technical Design [3] and Guidance on missing attachments [4]

2. Introduction

A GP2GP message has three significant areas that are important to this subject:

- 1. The Manifest within the SOAP Body.
- 2. The MIME part containing the HL7 message.
 - 3. The MIME parts containing attachments to the HL7 message.

These are illustrated in figure 1 below.

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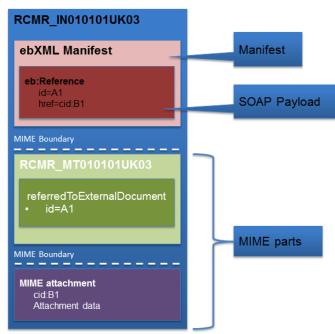


Figure 1: GP2GP message outline 2.

3. Referencing Attachments

Within the Manifest, a list contains two key pieces of information per attachment: a logical unique identifier and a physical location.

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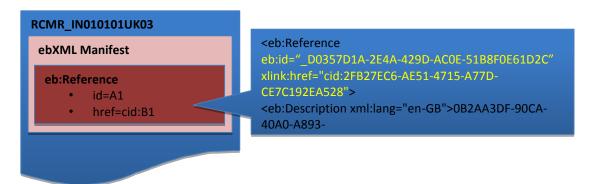


Figure 2: Manifest entry with logical id and physical location highlighted

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<SOAP:Body>
  <eb:Manifest SOAP:mustUnderstand="1" eb:version="2.0">
    <eb:Reference xlink:href="cid:6e242659-3d8e-11e3-a7dc-</pre>
172bda00fa67@spine.nhs.uk">
      <eb:Schema
eb:location="http://www.nhsia.nhs.uk/schemas/HL7-Message.xsd"
eb:version="1.0"/>
      <eb:Description xml:lang="en">HL7
payload</eb:Description>
      <hl7ebxml:Payload style="HL7" encoding="XML"</pre>
version="3.0"/>
    </eb:Reference>
    <eb:Reference eb:id=" D0357D1A-2E4A-429D-AC0E-</pre>
51B8F0E61D2C" xlink:href="cid:2FB27EC6-AE51-4715-A77D-
CE7C192EA528">
      <eb:Description xml:lang="en">
         Filename="D0357D1A-2E4A-429D-AC0E-51B8F0E61D2C
_image.tif"
      </eb:Description>
    </eb:Reference>
</SOAP:Body>
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Example 1: SOAP body containing ebXML manifest

The physical location must not be used within the HL7 payload: these are held in the manifest allowing logical identifiers to exist within the HL7 payload. The manifest therefore maintains links between the attachments identified in the HL7 payload and their location in another MIME Part or message

All references to external documents within the HL7 message payload are bounded by a NarrativeStatement element which may include one or more referredToExternalDocument elements. Each NarrativeStatement element has an [id] attribute that acts as a unique identifier of that element within the message. Each referredToExternalDocument element has an [id] attribute that acts as a unique identifier for the external object; note that this is not necessarily unique within the message as a single document can be referenced several times (in which case many referredToExternalDocument instances may share the same [id]).

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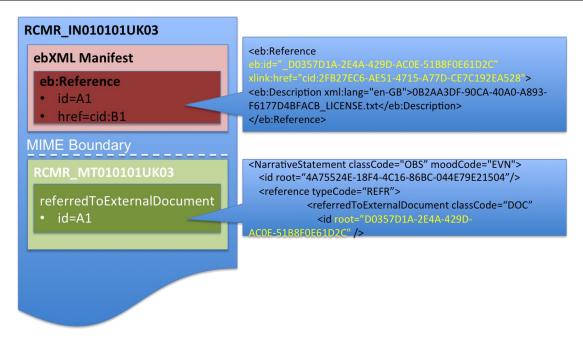


Figure 3: SOAP body and HL7 part

Req ID	Requirement Text
AR01	ebXML manifest for the EHR_Extract interaction must contain an item for each referredToExternalDocument identified in the HL7 content.
AR02	ebXML manifest items relating to referredToExternalDocuments must include eb:id and xref:href attributes.
AR03	All HL7 referredToExternalDocument id's must match a single eb:id attribute in the ebXML manifest.

Using the referredToExternalDocument [id] to link a reference in the HL7 part with the MIME part carrying the referred-to document allows multiple references to be made to the same attachment, while leaving other HL7 attributes free for potential future use.

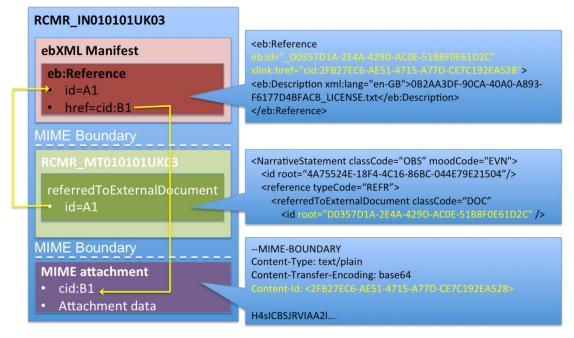


Figure 4: Referencing between MIME parts

--MIME-BOUNDARY

Content-Type: text/plain

Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64

Content-Id: <2FB27EC6-AE51-4715-A77D-CE7C192EA528>

H4sICBSJRVIAA21...

Example 2: MIME headers for attachment

The MIME Parts containing the Base64 encoded attachment object must include headers specifying MIME type, encoding scheme and content ID, which is referenced by the manifest.

Outside of the references described in this specification, systems must not assume that id values are the same. The NarrativeStatement id is NOT the same as the referredToExternalDocument[id] because many instances of referredToExternalDocument may exist within a single NarrativeStatement element.

As xlink:href attribute must be a valid URI. As URIs are restricted to a subset of US-ASCII [4] any characters outside of this may be URI-encoded (percent-encoded).

The Large Message specification [2] provides detail of the method to used when referencing attachments carried outside the message using the 'mid:' URI scheme.

Req ID	Requirement Text
AR05	The MIME headers Content-Type, Content-Transfer-Encoding and Content-Id must be provided for each MIME part
AR06	Where xlink:href links to a MIME part it must be prefixed by 'cid:'
AR07	Systems must accept percent-encoded content identifiers in the xlink:href attribute and Content-Id header.
AR08	Systems implementing the Large Message specification [2] shall support referencing attachments held outside the message using 'mid:' URI scheme.

3.1. ebXML id Value

The ebXML id element is defined in the schema as type xs:id which may not begin with a number. As a generated guid may begin with a number, the value must be prefixed with underscore. This prefix must be ignored when comparing eb:Reference/eb:id value with referredToExternalDocument/id in order to resolve references.

Req ID	Requirement Text
AR10	eb:id attribute must be prefixed with underscore '_'
AR11	Underscore prefix of eb:id value must be disregarded when resolving references between HL7 and manifest item.

3.2. Attachment reference element

The ExternalDocument's text/reference element is used to persist filenames within the EHR_Extract. This uses the HL7 TEL datatype, which requires that the reference must be in the form of a URI. Accordingly references must be of the form:

file://localhost/<GUID> <filename>

e.g.

<text mediaType="image/tif">

As URI references are restricted to a subset of US-ASCII [4] any characters outside of this may be URI-encoded (percent encoded).

</text>

Req ID	Requirement Text
AR15	Filename references must use the form file://localhost/ <guid>_<filename> or for attachments not sent file://localhost/AbsentAttachment<guid>.txt</guid></filename></guid>
AR16	Systems must accept percent encoded URIs for filename references.

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Appendix A: Example

A simple example is provided below with pertinent sections highlighted:

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POST /reliablemessaging/forwardreliable HTTP/1.1
Host: rmmid.nis1.national.ncrs.nhs.uk:443
SOAPAction: urn:nhs:names:services:gp2gp/RCMR IN030000UK06
Content-Length: 14221
Content-Type: multipart/related; boundary="MIME-BOUNDARY"; type="text/xml"; start="<ebXMLHeader@spine.nhs.uk>"
Connection: close
--MIME-BOUNDARY
Content-Type: text/xml
Content-Id: <ebXMLHeader@spine.nhs.uk>
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<soap-env:Envelope xmlns:soap-env="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:hl7ebxml="urn:hl7-org:transport/ebxml/DSTUv1.0"
  xmlns:eb="http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/ebxml-msg/schema/msg-header-2 0.xsd"
  xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink">
  <soap-env:Header>
    <eb:MessageHeader eb:version="2.0"</pre>
       soap-env:mustUnderstand="1">
       <eb:From>
         <eb:PartyId eb:type="urn:nhs:names:partyType:ocs+serviceInstance">{{from pk}}</eb:PartyId>
       </eb:From>
       <eb:To>
         <eb:PartyId eb:type="urn:nhs:names:partyType:ocs+serviceInstance">{{to pk}}</eb:PartyId>
       </eb:To>
       <eb:CPAId>S2016103A2072841
       <eb:ConversationId>0AE32F00-94E1-4669-9281-A4C05A5E5463/eb:ConversationId>
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<eb:Service>urn:nhs:names:services:gp2gp</pb:Service>
    <eb:Action>RCMR IN030000UK06</eb:Action>
    <eb:MessageData>
       <eb:MessageId>0AE32F00-94E1-4669-9281-A4C05A5E5463/eb:MessageId>
       <eb:Timestamp>2013-12-16T13:27:09+0000</pb:Timestamp>
       <eb:TimeToLive>2013-12-16T14:27:09+0000/eb:TimeToLive>
    </eb:MessageData>
    <eb:DuplicateElimination>alwaysDuplicateElimination>
  </eb:MessageHeader>
  <eb:AckRequested eb:version="2.0"</pre>
    soap-env:mustUnderstand="1" eb:signed="false"
    soap-env:actor="urn:oasis:names:tc:ebxml-msg:actor:nextMSH" />
</soap-env:Header>
<soap-env:Body>
  <eb:Manifest eb:version="2.0">
    <eb:Reference</pre>
      xlink:href="cid:68E2A39F-7A24-449D-83CC-1B7CF1A9DAD7@spine.nhs.uk/Example/1">
       <eb:Description xml:lang="en-GB">
         RCMR IN030000UK06
       </eb:Description>
       <h17ebxml:Payload xmlns:h17ebxml="urn:h17-org:transport/ebXML/DSTUv1.0"
         style="HL7" encoding="XML" version="3.0" />
    </eb:Reference>
    <eb:Reference
       eb:id=" 15CC60BC-2428-4C94-B432-23A4A37CE55A"
      xlink:href="cid:fba5dabf-fd0a-4779-a0e1-5c864afa813e">
         <eb:Description xml:lang="en-GB"> AbsentAttachment098FCE60-077B-4004-8890-8F76E14EEDA4.txt/eb:Description>
    </eb:Reference>
    <eb:Reference
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eb:id=" E85A649E-814A-4044-8359-09D91B9763B0"
         xlink:href="cid:0d733b16-6aaa-42c1-95c3-59d8e0cba215">
         <eb:Description xml:lang="en-GB">E85A649E-814A-4044-8359-09D91B9763B0 example.txt/eb:Description>
       </eb:Reference>
    </eb:Manifest>
  </soap-env:Body>
</soap-env:Envelope>
--MIME-BOUNDARY
Content-Type: application/xml
Content-Id: <68E2A39F-7A24-449D-83CC-1B7CF1A9DAD7@spine.nhs.uk/Example/1>
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<RCMR IN030000UK06 xmlns="urn:hl7-org:v3"</pre>
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <id root="BC1571F4-9542-4FBF-AC21-EA34008D7257" />
  <creationTime value="20131216132709" />
  <versionCode code="V3NPfIT3.1.10" />
  <interactionId root="2.16.840.1.113883.2.1.3.2.4.12"</pre>
    extension="RCMR IN030000UK06" />
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    </AgentSystemSDS>
  </author1>
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         </patient>
       </recordTarget>
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            <agentOrganizationSDS classCode="ORG"</pre>
              determinerCode="INSTANCE">
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            </agentOrganizationSDS>
         </AgentOrgSDS>
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  </AgentOrgSDS>
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     </effectiveTime>
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       </AgentOrgSDS>
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            <name>
              fix>Dr</prefix>
              <given>Jon</given>
              <family>Abbot</family>
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              <availabilityTime value="20131216132709" />
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