**Known Issues – Immunization Messaging\_1.5.0 February 8, 2017**

| **Issue** | **Status** |
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| **User Issue:** “The validator is not accepting the note repeats which are available to be sent in RXA-9.  We are sending RXA-9 as “00^New immunization record^NIP001~^New immunization record”, however, this gives the following errors: “RXA[1].9[2].1 is missing” and “RXA[1].9[2].3 is missing”.”  **Clarification:** The test tool is validating all occurrences of RXA-9 as being defined with the CE\_IZ data type requirements. Use of a different data type for this element is not standard practice. It is anticipated that the use for the second occurrence will be considered for the next release of the implementation guide. | Due to lack of clarity in the implementation guide on the use and purpose of this element, the test tool will only validate the first occurrence of RXA.9. Any errors related to RXA.9 repetitions should be ignored. |
| A conflict exists in the implementation guide regarding Acknowledgement processing requests in the outbound message. The implementation guide prescribes the use of original acknowledgement processing mode, which implies that MSH-15 is to be “NE” and MSH-16 is to be “AL”. However, this declaration can also imply that both MSH-15 and MSH-16 are left empty, and the implication is that the request is for an application type acknowledgement message to be returned (i.e., “MSH-15 = NE” and “MSH-16 = “AL” is implied).  The implementation guide also specifies MSH-15 and MSH-16 as required and includes conformance statements indicating that MSH-15 SHALL BE ‘ER’ and MSH-16 SHALL be ‘AL’. This is a direct conflict with the requirement to use “original acknowledgement processing mode” described above. | Currently, the test cases in the tool validate as prescribed in the conformance statements (MSH-15 SHALL BE ‘ER’ and MSH-16 SHALL be ‘AL’); however, given the conflict in the requirements, “MSH-15 = NE” should also be allowed until the issue is resolved in a subsequent release of the implementation guide or an erratum is issued.  The test cases in the tool will remain as they are; however, the vendor may also satisfy the requirement by valuing MSH-15 = “NE” and MSH-16 = “AL” of all outbound messages (i.e., submit and query). The ATL can ignore the error reported for MSH-15 if the vendor is choosing to implement with MSH-15 = NE”. |
| The Test Data Category for QPD-3.1 (Patient ID Number) is “Value-Test Case Fixed”, meaning the Tool is validating for the presence of the exact value provided in the test data and generates an error notification if this requirement is not met by the HIT Module being tested | If the HIT Module being tested is unable to control the Patient ID Number value that it creates   * QPD-3.1 in the Query message can be populated with a different value than the one provided in the test data * The Tester can ignore the error notification generated by the Tool * The Response message also will have to be modified accordingly   NIST has no plan to change the Test Data Category for QPD-3.1. One reason for designating “Test Case Fixed” for this field was to ensure that the querying system (1) would contain the Patient ID Number that matches the Patient ID Number in the NIST response system and (2) would create a Query message with this value in QPD-3.1 in order for the Tester to be able to perform Display Verification for the Response message.  Explanatory information has been added to the Tool in the **Notes for Testers** section of the **Test Story** tab for each Query Test Step in the Evaluated History and Forecast Group |
| In the Administration Group, for V04\_Z22 messages in all Test Cases except IZ-AD-7\_Historical\_IIS-Error and IZ-AD-10\_Historical\_IIS-SysError: based on guidance from the authors of the Immunization IG R1.5, the Test Suite validates the immunization messages for an OBX segment containing **Vaccine Funding Source** information; Usage for this segment in the Test Suite is “R” = Required. | ONC has determined that, from a regulatory/program perspective, an HIT Module cannot be required to be able to generate messages with the **Vaccine Funding Source** OBX segment for 2015 Edition certification testing.  For certification purposes, ONC permits Testers to ignore the error notification generated by the NIST Immunization Test Suite when this segment is missing.  Since the product under test will have to meet state reporting requirements when implemented, and many states require this information, it may be beneficial for HIT Modules to demonstrate support for the Vaccine Funding Source OBX segment during 2015 Edition certification testing.  Explanatory information has been added to the Tool in the **Notes for Testers** section of the **Test Story** tab for each affected V04\_Z22 Test Step in the Administration Group. |