

# FHIR

## Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources

### **Background: FHIR**



- Standardized API to aid in the exchange of electronic health records
- Health Level Seven International (HL7)
- 2014: Release 1 -
  - Draft Standard for Trial Use
- 2017: Release 3 -
  - Standards for Trial Use
- Easily integrated into already existing systems and provides an alternative to using third party applications for document retrieval.



#### **Problems it Solves**

- Easier implementation of HL7 data formats
  - XML
  - JSON
- Request discrete data elements instead of full documents
  - Before: Lengthy 500+ page continuity of care document (CCD)
  - Now: Just last lab results
- Allows for patients to get their own data
- Makes it easier for health care providers to obtain, distribute, and store medical information that can be passed over their networks.
- Real-time data retrieval parsed from wire-data.



#### Implementations

- SMART on FHIR
  - Boston Children's Hospital Computational Health Informatics Program
  - Joined FHIR development 2013
  - Software libraries in a variety of libraries
  - Build into EHR vendor software



- HAPI FHIR
  - Smile CDR
  - First release in 2014
  - Java Library
  - Separate storage and dealing with data



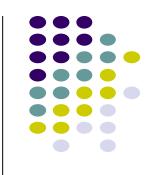
#### **Real World Examples**

- CommonWell
  - Request remote patient content for personal enrollment
  - Access all available clinical data
  - Distributes important data remotely for patients



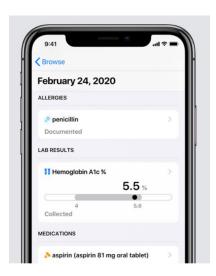
- SMART App Gallery
  - Over 100 listings
  - Mostly geared for Clinicians
  - ASCVD Risk Calculator
    - Calculates 10 year/ lifetime risk cardiac disease risk score
  - BP Centiles v1
    - Calculates blood pressure percentile in children



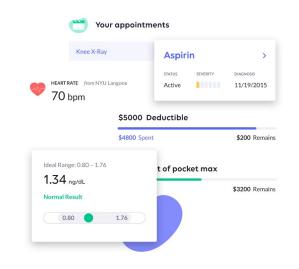


#### **Real World Examples**

- Apple Health
  - iPhone app
  - Combines your data across your care organizations
    - Lab results
    - Medications



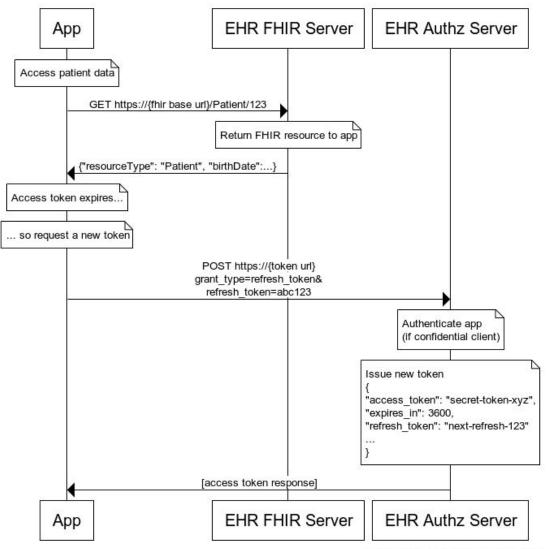
- OneRecord
  - Android and iPhone
  - Combines your data across
  - Share your records
    - Family
    - Healthcare Providers







#### **Overview**



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#### **Code snippet: Reading a Resource**

import ca.uhn.fhir.context.FhirContext; import ca.uhn.fhir.rest.api.MethodOutcome; import ca.uhn.fhir.rest.server.exceptions.ResourceNotFoundException;

- import ca.uhn.fhir.rest.client.api.IGenericClient;
- import org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.DateType;

import org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.Enumerations;

import org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.Patient;

import org.hl7.fhir.instance.model.api.IIdType;

```
public static void step1_read_a_resource() {
```

FhirContext ctx = FhirContext.forDstu3();
IGenericClient client = ctx.newRestfulGenericClient("http://fhirtest.uhn.ca/baseDstu3");

```
Patient patient;
try {
   // Try changing the ID from 952975 to 99999999999
   patient = client.read().resource(Patient.class).withId("952975").execute();
} catch (ResourceNotFoundException e) {
   System.out.println("Resource not found!");
   return;
}
```

String string = ctx.newXmlParser().setPrettyPrint(true).encodeResourceToString(patient);
System.out.println(string);



#### **Code snippet: Searching for patient**

```
public static void step2 search for patients named test() {
  FhirContext ctx = FhirContext.forDstu3();
  IGenericClient client = ctx.newRestfulGenericClient("http://fhirtest.uhn.ca/baseDstu3");
  org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.Bundle results = client
     .search()
     .forResource(Patient.class)
     .where(Patient.NAME.matches().value("test"))
      .returnBundle(org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.Bundle.class)
     .execute();
  System.out.println("First page: ");
  System.out.println(ctx.newXmlParser().encodeResourceToString(results));
  // Load the next page
  org.hl7.fhir.r4.model.Bundle nextPage = client
     .loadPage()
      .next(results)
     .execute();
```

System.out.println("Next page: "); System.out.println(ctx.newXmlParser().encodeResourceToString(nextPage));





#### **Code snippet: Creating a patient**

#### public static void step3 create patient() {

```
// Create a patient
```

```
Patient newPatient = new Patient();
```

```
// Populate the patient with fake information
newPatient
```

```
.addName()
      .setFamily("DevDays2015")
      .addGiven("John")
      .addGiven("Q");
newPatient
   .addIdentifier()
      .setSystem("http://acme.org/mrn")
      .setValue("1234567");
newPatient.setGender(Enumerations.AdministrativeGender.MALE);
newPatient.setBirthDateElement(new DateType("2015-11-18"));
```

// Create a client FhirContext ctx = FhirContext.forDstu3(); IGenericClient client = ctx.newRestfulGenericClient("http://fhirtest.uhn.ca/baseDstu3");

```
// Create the resource on the server
MethodOutcome outcome = client
   .create()
   .resource(newPatient)
   .execute();
```

```
// Log the ID that the server assigned
IIdType id = outcome.getId();
System.out.println("Created patient, got ID: " + id);
```



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