

Declaration for Digital Health

We, the DHIndia Association comprising of public and expert members of medical and technical professionals working towards universal goals of better healthcare for all through use of technology, processes, and practices, adopt the following resolution and declare so for our members and citizens:

1. Secure Universal Health Coverage, inclusiveness, security, privacy, safety, through use of technology, best practices, and processes in manner that empowers all the citizens equally;
2. Build and adopt technical architecture based on common building blocks, interoperability through use of national and international proven standards, and open APIs in collaboration with Industry, Health institutions, and Government;
3. Adopt and support privacy preserving National Unique Health Identification based Patient Registry, Doctor Registry, Resource/Facility Registry, and such Single-Source-of-Truth (SSoT), open to all providers and users for common and meaningful use;
4. Stand with the Citizen, as Subject of Care, to ensure that technology infrastructure and ecosystem maintain confidentiality, security, safety, privacy of individual's personal information, and their health records, in the hands of the Citizen themselves expressed by way of Consent;
5. Ensure interoperability between systems in national digital health ecosystem based on common agreed national and international Health Informatics standards set forth in National Digital Health Blueprint (NDHB);
6. Promote and adopt Health Informatics standards set forth in National Digital Health Blueprint (NDHB), such as FHIR, SNOMED CT, LOINC, and other mentioned standards, formats, and specifications, for image, audio, video, and documents;
7. Collaborate with the National Digital Health infrastructure and ecosystem to make privacy protected health data available for health research, community health, epidemiology, medical education, and advances in medical science;
8. Acknowledge the efforts of the Government of India to have made available key standards, provide education, training, tools and technologies, build national codes, and guide alignment with national and international standards for free for all health service providers and technology suppliers and implementers in the country;
9. Assist and advice the Government of India and Governments of States in building, promoting, and adopting the free, open, standards-driven, health technology infrastructure and ecosystem for all stakeholder and free and open manner.

On behalf of DHIndia Association,

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