Speed to Standards | Swim Lane Analysis

Swim Lane Analysis Sub-Committee
The analysis details the process flows and timelines involved in bringing NCPDP standards to the industry. It includes and distinguishes the activities, processes and timelines that are under NCPDP’s control and those that fall under the control of regulatory agencies and other industry influences.

This is a tool being used to identify and explore possible ways to streamline processes in support of our strategic goal to increase the speed to standards creation.
Swim Lane Analysis Summary

- It takes about four and a half years to realize industry use of a new version of a Medicare Modernization Act (MMA)-approved NCPDP Standard.

- That time frame increases to six years for a new version of a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)-approved NCPDP Standard.

- The NCPDP internal development process takes from seven to 13 months of that four and half to six-year time frame, depending upon how the balloting process progresses.
Each November, WG11 ePrescribing & Related Transactions will review changes made to the SCRIPT Standard since the last named version to determine if a request for a new version should be made.
Every three to five years, WG1 Telecommunication and WG9 Government Programs will review changes made to the Telecommunication Standard since the last named version to determine if a request for a new version should be made. A new version will be requested no earlier than every three years and no later than every five years.
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Trading Partners

DERF submitted to WG

3-6 months

DERF Approved by WG and MC

Ballot process

3-6 months

WG Ballot Approval

1 month

BOT Approval

~7 – 13 months

Standard Published

NCPDP

ANSI

Within NCPDP control

Outside NCPDP control

Regulatory

3 months

Standard Published

Complete ANSI Process

ANSI Process

Complete ANSI Process

3 months

BOT Approval

NCPDP Ballot

Within NCPDP control

Outside NCPDP control