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MODUL FHIR

Fast Health Interoperable Resources (FHIR) Orientation / Specific objectives

Orientation / Specific objectives

- Introductions
- Plan for today and tomorrow
- Goals:
 - Learn how to use the FHIR RESTful API to read / write Patients & medical information
 - Know what the Argonaut specifiation does
 - Create a FHIR Community
 - Create a national Implementation Guide
 - Discuss the use of FHIR for national health record
- Today: Mainly Tutorial
- Tomorrow: Mainly Practical exercises
 - Using POSTMan (https://www.getpostman.com/)
 - Or your own software if you want

What is FHIR?

- Fast Health Interoperable Resources
- A Community
 - Meets under the umbrella of HL7 International
 - Dedicated to making it easier to exchange healthcare information
 - Uses web infrastructure to solve problems about healthcare
- A specification
 - Freely available on the web (http://hl7.org/fhir)
 - Describes how to exchange information about healthcare
 - Adds healthcare knowledge to web standard infrastructure

FHIR: The Web for Healthcare

A standard for a RESTful API based access to healthcare records.

- Both read and write supported
- Different servers all provide the same API
- A client can use different servers without having to be rewritten
- Connects API to wider context of health

Understanding HTTP

- The protocol underlying the web
- Client (e.g. Web Browser) opens a connection to the server
- Client sends a 'request' to the server asking for some content
- Server responds with an answer
- Client and Server disconnect

Client Request

GET /resource HTTP/1.0
 Accept: text/html
 Accept-Language: en-ID

HTTP Method Codes

GET "/resource"

- Request for the server to return the content for "/document"
- The most common HTTP method

POST /handler

<content>

- Ask the server to do whatever it does with <content>
- Ue the method at /handler to do it
- E.g. when a user fills out a form on the browser

Server Response

HTTP 200 OK
 Accept: text/html

 Accept-Language: vi-VI

- Content-Type: text/html
- Server: Apache 6.0
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- •
- </html>

Understanding HTTP

- That's how the web works built on top of the simple HTTP protocol
- Value comes from networks of content built on top of the 'resources'

Fetching a patient

- Start POSTMAN on your computer
- Choose GET
- Request URL = http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient/Brian
- Add Header "Accept" = "application/fhir+xml"
- Hit "Send"

Patient Response

- 200 OK
- Headers:
 - Content-Type: application/fhir+xml
 - o etc
- + a Patient resource in the body

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Patient Resource

```
<Patient xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir"> <id value="vietnam"/>
```

- "Patient" identifies the resource
- "Id" the local identifier (identifier assigned by this server)

Patient Resource

```
<meta>
  <versionId value="2"/>
  <lastUpdated value="2017-10-22T15:18:17Z"/>
  </meta>
```

- "Meta" information about the resource (rather than about the patient)
- "versionId" assigned by the server changes if the content changes
- "lastUpdated" assigned by the server to show to the user

```
<text>
<status value="generated"/>
<div xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<!-- some xHTML -->
</div>
</text>
```

- Human readable display
- for if system doesn't understand the content it can still display the content to a user

```
<identifier>
<active/>
<name/>
<address/>
<telecom/>
<gender/>
```


birthDate/>

- Data about the patient (as in the specification)
- See http://hl7.org/fhir/patient.html

Server Failure

```
HTTP/1.1 422 Unprocessable Entity

Content-Length: 161

Content-Type: application/json+fhir

Date: Mon, 18 Aug 2014 01:43:30 GMT

{
    "resourceType": "OperationOutcome",
    "text": {
        "status": "generated",
        "div": "<div xmlns=\"http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml\">MRN conflict
        - the MRN 123456 is already assigned to a different patient</div>"
        },
    }
```

Finding the patient record

- Before you get Patient/vietnam where did the 'vietnam' come from?
- You have to know that (by magic)
 - You already knew it in your database from past interactions
 - You looked it up
- Looking up a patient: searching

Finding a patient

- Go to POSTMAN
- Choose GET (as before)
- Request URL = http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient?name=XXXX
- Add Header "Accept" = "application/fhir+xml" (if not already present)

• Hit "Send"

```
Patient Search Bundle
<Bundle xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir">
  <id value="1fe46e90-79c9-411e-8e40-eec8425648"/>
  <meta>
     <lastUpdated value="2017-11-22T04:00:15Z"/>
  </meta>
  <type value="searchset"/>
  <total value="235"/>
   • "Bundle" - a set of resources
   • "Id" / "lastUpdated" - identifies the search

 "Type" - this is the result of a search

"Total" - the number of matching resources
  <link>
     <relation value="self"/>
     <url value="..."/>
  </link>
  k>
     <relation value="last"/>
     <url value="..."/>
  </link>
   • "link" - more information about the search
   • "self" - what the server actually did for this search
   • "First / last / prev / next" - paging through the result if there's too many
  <entry>
     <fullUrl value="http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient/vietnam"/>
     <resource>
       <Patient xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir">
```

• "Entry" - one for each match in the search

Since we searched Patients, each entry will contain a Patient

Finding a particular patient

- Go to POSTMAN
- Choose GET (as before)
- Request URL = http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient?identifier=123456
- Add Header "Accept" = "application/fhir+xml"
- Hit "Send"
- You'll only get 0 or 1 patient back if the server is enforcing identifiers are unique

Creating a patient

- Go to POSTMAN
- Choose POST this time
- Request URL = http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient
- Add Header "Accept" = "application/fhir+xml"
- Copy patient from before into "body"
- Hit "Send"

Patient Response

- 201 Created
- Headers:
 - Location: http://test.fhir.org/r3/Patient/[new id]
 - Content-Type: application/fhir+xml
 - o etc
- + The patient resource in the body
 - Usually what you just sent to the server

Other Operations

- PUT update a patient resource
- DELETE delete the patient resource

- Transaction
- Batch
- History
- Operations (later)

Security

- FHIR API doesn't say anything about security
- But you need security (nearly always)
- Add an authorization header:

Authorization: Basic Z2c6cGFzc3dvcmQ=

- Authorization header can be set lots of ways.
- We recommend OAuth using Smart: http://hl7.org/fhir/smart-app-launch/
- Can test this using https://test.fhir.org/r3

Understanding Resources

Resources

Common characteristics of all FHIR resources:

- A URL that identifies it
- Common metadata
- A human-readable XHTML summary
- A set of defined common data elements
- An extensibility framework

Represented as either XML or JSON (or RDF)

JSON vs XML vs RDF

- Both JSON and XML represent exactly the same content
- Structure is the same, content can be interconverted
- XML and JSON have different tools, can be used differently
- JSON use more common than XML

- Specification prefers XML because of comments (no comments in JSON)
- · RDF research interest for rich hospitals. Ignore it

```
<Patient xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir">
                                                                     "resourceType": "Patient",
 <id value="glossy"/>
                                                                     "id": "glossy",
  <meta>
                                                                     "meta": {
    <lastUpdated value="2014-11-13T11:41:00+11:00"/>
                                                                       "lastUpdated": "2014-11-13T11:41:00+11:0
                                                                     },
  <text>
                                                                     "text": {
                                                                       "status": "generated",
    <status value="generated"/>
    <div xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
                                                                       "div": "<div>\n
                                                                                        Henry Levin the
      Henry Levin the 7th
                                                                   </div>"
                                                                     },
      MRN: 123456. Male, 24-Sept 1932
                                                                     "extension": [
    </div>
  </text>
                                                                         "url": "http://example.org/StructureDe
  <extension url="http://example.org/StructureDefinition/tria."</pre>
                                                                         "valueCode": "renal"
    <valueCode value="renal"/>
  </extension>
                                                                     ],
  <identifier>
                                                                     "identifier": [
    <use value="usual"/>
    <type>
                                                                         "use": "usual",
      <coding>
                                                                         "type": {
        <system value="http://hl7.org/fhir/v2/0203"/>
                                                                           "coding": [
        <code value="MR"/>
                                                                              "system": "http://hl7.org/fhir/v
      </coding>
                                                                              "code": "MR"
    </type>
    <system value="http://www.goodhealth.org/identifiers/mrn"</pre>
                                                                          ]
    <value value="123456"/>
                                                                         },
  </identifier>
                                                                         "system": "http://www.goodhealth.org/i
  <active value="true"/>
                                                                         "value": "123456"
                                                                       }
    <family value="Levin"/>
                                                                     ],
    <given value="Henry"/>
                                                                     "active": true,
                                                                     "name": [
    <suffix value="The 7th"/>
  </name>
                                                                         "family": [
  <gender value="male"/>
                                                                          "Levin"
  <birthDate value="1932-09-24"/>
  <careProvider>
                                                                         "given": [
    <reference value="Organization/2"/>
                                                                           "Henry"
    <display value="Good Health Clinic"/>
                                                                         ],
  </careProvider>
                                                                         "suffix": [
</Patient>
                                                                           "The 7th"
                                                                         ]
                                                                       }
                                                                     ],
                                                                     "gender": "male",
```

"birthDate": "1932-09-24",

"careProvider": [

```
<Patient xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir">
 <id value="glossy"/>
                                                                           Resource
 <meta>
                                                                           Identity &
   <lastUpdated value="2014-11-13T11:41:00+11:00"/>
                                                                           Metadata
   <status value="generated"/>
                                                                           Human
   <div xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
                                                                           Readable
     Henry Levin the 7th
                                                                           Summary
     MRN: 123456. Male, 24-Sept 1932
   </div>
 </text>
                                                                           Extension
 <extension url="http://example.org/StructureDefinition/trials">
   <valueCode value="renal"/>
                                                                           with URL to
  </extension>
                                                                           definition
  <identifier>
   <use value="usual"/>
   <type>
                                                                           Standard
     <coding>
                                                                           Data:
       <system value="http://hl7.org/fhir/v2/0203"/>

    MRN

       <code value="MR"/>
                                                                           Name
     </coding>
                                                                           Gender
   </type>
                                                                           Birth Date
   <system value="http://www.goodhealth.org/identifiers/mrn"/>
                                                                           Provider
   <value value="123456"/>
 </identifier>
 <active value="true"/>
 <name>
   <family value="Levin"/>
   <given value="Henry"/>
   <suffix value="The 7th"/>
 </name>
 <gender value="male"/>
 <birthDate value="1932-09-24"/>
 <careProvider>
   <reference value="Organization/2"/>
   <display value="Good Health Clinic"/>
 </careProvider>
</Patient>
```

Web of resources











Steve ballmer – It's all about the developers

References

Procedure xmlns="http://hl7.org/fhir"> <subject>

<reference value="Patient/23"/>

</subject>

- Resources are independent don't need to other resources to correctly interpret a resource
- But resources reference each other extensively to form a web of information
- Need to resolve references to fully understand the data
- Reference is relative to server base URL

Rules for references

- References can be relative or absolute
- References don't have to be to the same server
- Server does not have to enforce integrity
- Clients need to cater for broken links

Narrative

- All resources carry an html representation of their content
- It's a clinical safety issue
 - The receiver has a fall back option if the system is not sure it fully understands the content
- It is not mandatory, but SHOULD be present
- In a closed eco-system, with extremely tight control and strong conformance testing, it may not be necessary
 - But things often change over time
 - So using narrative is highly recommended
 - Saves a lot of money downstream from the author

Narrative XHTML

- Narrative is XHTML. Formatting allowed:
 - Tables, lists, divs, spans
 - · Bold, Italics, styles etc

- E.g. all static content
- Features not allowed:
 - Objects, scripts, forms any active content
 - Links, Stylesheets, iframes web context
 - Local storage, Microdata (no active content)
- Concerns are security and clinical safety

Extensions

- FHIR has a standard framework for extensions
- Every FHIR element can be extended
- Every extension has:
 - Reference to a computable definition
 - Value from a set of known types
- Every system can read, write, store and exchange all legal extensions
- All extensions are valid by schema etc.

Problems we face

- No central authorities
- High variation due to culture / jurisdiction
- Permutation of biological and sociological complexity
- Fractal use cases
- Economics favours balkinization
- Externalizing complexity
- Much confusion about the problem
- Bad Legacy design













