Requirements for Membership in Joint Initiative Council

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1. Must be an international Standards Developing Organization.

2. Must have a formal relationship with ISO. That relationship may be Liaison A (e.g., CDISC), Vienna Agreement (CEN), or Standards Partner (e.g., HL7).

3. Must be nominated for membership by a member of the Joint Initiative Council.

4. Scope, as defined in the Nomination Document, must be consistent with scope of the JIC.

5. Must be willing to participate in JIC work projects that are within scope and interest as documented in the Nomination Document.

6. Must be willing to abide by JIC policies and procedures as defined in the Joint Initiative on SDO Global Health Informatics Standardization Charter.

7. Admission to JIC requires unanimous approval by existing members of JIC.

8. If accepted for membership, must have a review period (as defined by the nomination document) to evaluate interest and compatibility. Objective criteria based on planned partnership activity must be included in the Nominations Document. Acceptance for this review period should not be assumed to guarantee approval.

9. While under review members may not participate in JIC voting.

10. Withdrawal from the JIC must be submitted in writing to the JIC 90 days prior to actual withdrawal. The opportunity for discussion of the reasons for the withdrawal shall be set up within the 90 day period.

Note: The purpose of the JIC is to foster a highest level of cooperation among SDOs. The primary intent of this document is to establish that such a working relationship from both the perspective of interest, appropriateness, and commitment does, in fact, exist.