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Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Ave, SW
Washington, DC  20201

Dear Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT,

The Alliance for Nursing Informatics (ANI) advances nursing informatics leadership, practice, education, policy and research through a unified voice of nursing informatics organizations. ANI has reviewed the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC) Draft 2017 Interoperability Standards Advisory (ISA) for Public Comment. In that spirit we offer our comments as nursing stakeholders on the attached ONC ISA public comment template.

ANI responded to the 2016 ISA, which recommended the inclusion of new interoperability standards related to nursing concepts. We would like to emphasize our initial comments and highlight those areas that were not incorporated in the 2017 ISA, as well as add new comments. We appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the conversation on these important Interoperability Standards and their implementation, particularly as they relate to nursing data.

Sincerely,

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