General updates

- Held first official LOINC Document Ontology Subcommittee meeting in January 2019
- Seeking individuals interested in joining the Subcommittee as well as Co-chairing
  - Apply to join at https://loinc.org/committee/
- Based on discussion with the HL7 Structured Documents workgroup and others, it was proposed that all Document ontology-related discussion items be presented during the Subcommittee meetings when members of this group and other stakeholders can attend and contribute to the discussions and decisions. Items that need additional input or approval from the Clinical LOINC Committee would be presented during the Committee meeting.

New Document Ontology axis values added in v2.65

- **Kind of Documents:**
  - Proof of encounter certificate
  - Blood or blood product transfusion consent

- **Types of Services:**
  - Reevaluation
  - Fluid management
  - Conscious sedation procedure

- **Subject Matter Domains:**
  - Pharmacogenomics
  - Burn management
  - Heart failure
  - Transplant cardiology
  - Obesity medicine
  - Thromboembolism

Submissions/new terms

- VA - 1400+ clinical document title codes requested in September 2016 and completed in December 2018
  - 1210 new LOINC codes created
  - 85 mapped to an existing LOINC
  - 143 were either withdrawn or had insufficient information
- In LOINC version 2.65, over 130 clinical note terms created for Canada Health Infoway, VA, APTA, Children’s Hospital of Minnesota and others

Updates to Content in v2.65 based on Committee decisions

- Physician was dropped from Role values where the Role could be used across physician and non-physician specialties (e.g. Physician resident is now just Resident). All associated LOINC terms and parts were updated.
- Method of Social work (SMD) was updated to Social worker (Role)
- “Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology” was split into two separate axis values and updated existing terms

Ongoing/future discussion items

- Merging of History and Physical node with Evaluation node in Type of Service axis (request by APTA)
- Request to add Patient as the Role to Living Will, Power of Attorney, and DNR terms
- Review of medication summary-like terms based on a request for a current medication summary term
- Review of certificate/return to work and medical clearance terms
- Several new requested axis values for various clinical notes