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Introduction

Pseudonymization is recognized as an important method for privacy protection of personal health information. Such services may be used nationally, as well as for trans-border communication.

Application areas include, but are not limited to:

— indirect use of clinical data (e.g. research);

— clinical trials and post-marketing surveillance;

— pseudonymous care;

— patient identification systems;

— public health monitoring and assessment;

— confidential patient-safety reporting (e.g. adverse drug effects);

— comparative quality indicator reporting;

— peer review;

— consumer groups;

— field service.

This document provides a conceptual model of the problem areas, requirements for trustworthy practices, and specifications to support the planning and implementation of pseudonymization services.

The specification of a general workflow, together with a policy for trustworthy operations, serve both as a general guide for implementers but also for quality assurance purposes, assisting users of the pseudonymization services to determine their trust in the services provided. This guide will serve to educate organizations so they can perform pseudonymization services themselves with sufficient proficiency to achieve the desired degree of quality and risk reduction.

Health informatics — Pseudonymization

1 Scope

This document contains principles and requirements for privacy protection using pseudonymization services for the protection of personal health information. This document is applicable to organizations who wish to undertake pseudonymization processes for themselves or to organizations who make a claim of trustworthiness for operations engaged in pseudonymization services.

This document

— defines one basic concept for pseudonymization (see Clause 5),

— defines one basic methodology for pseudonymization services including organizational, as well as technical aspects (see Clause 6),

— specifies a policy framework and minimal requirements for controlled re-identification (see Clause 7),

— gives an overview of different use cases for pseudonymization that can be both reversible and irreversible (see Annex A),

— gives a guide to risk assessment for re-identification (see Annex B),

— provides an example of a system that uses de-identification (see Annex C),

— provides informative requirements to an interoperability to pseudonymization services (see Annex D), and

— specifies a policy framework and minimal requirements for trustworthy practices for the operations of a pseudonymization service (see Annex E).

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 27799, *Health informatics — Information security management in health using ISO/IEC 27002*

3 Terms and definitions

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access control
means of ensuring that the resources of a data processing system can be accessed only by authorized entities in authorized ways

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