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**R380. Health, Administration.**

**R380-77. Coordination of Patient Identification and Validation Services.**

**R380-77-1. Purpose and Authority.**

As authorized by Section 26-1-30(30), the purpose of this rule is to establish the methods in which health care providers, public health entities, and health care insurers may coordinate among themselves to verify the identities of the individuals they serve.

**R380-1-2. Establishment of Advisory Committee.**

(1) The Department shall establish a patient identity and validation service advisory committee to assist the Department in establishing methods as part of the Department's duties under Section 26-1-30(30). The committee serves in a consultative and advisory capacity to the Department.

(2) The committee shall be comprised of individuals knowledgeable in health information technology, health informatics and health care delivery systems, including representatives from the Department, community-based organizations, hospital and clinic administration, health care insurers, professional health care associations, patients, and informatics researchers.

(3) The Utah Digital Health Service Commission established by Section 26-9f may advise the Department to oversee this advisory committee.

**R380-1-3. Duties and Responsibilities.**

(1) The committee shall:

(a) Promote collaborative efforts among community stakeholders regarding participation in shared patient identification services as a means to reduce duplicate services, improve quality and efficiency of care, and to promote patient safety.

(b) Provide input and guidance to the Department concerning existing community resources and experiences to advance the adoption and implementation of shared patient identification services.

(c) Advise the Department regarding adoption of standards for the electronic exchange of personally identifiable information between health care providers, public health entities, and health care insurers.

(d) Define the minimum amount of personally identifiable information necessary to disambiguate and validate identities across organizational information systems.

(e) Make recommendations on the information technology architecture, hardware, software, application, network

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configuration, and other technical aspects that allow for the implementation of shared patient identification services and technical compatibility among participants.

(f) Identify, evaluate, and make recommendations on a strategic and sustainable business model.

(g) Provide information and evaluate industry trends on existing information exchanges that link and verify person-centric records across organization boundaries.

(h) Make recommendations and coordinate the creation, dissemination, and implementation of policies and procedures to address participation in and utilization of shared patient identification services.

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