

**TITLE: Definitions**

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- 1.1 ACCEL. The collaborative of public and private organizations that coordinates a program promoting the electronic exchange of health information, including the Care Pathways Services, pursuant to the ACCEL Governance Agreement and Charter.
- 1.2 ACCEL System. Technology providing for the electronic exchange of Clinical Information including information relating to Care Pathways Services.
- 1.3 Authorized User. Either: (a) a Participant who is an individual licensed physician or other health care provider; or (b) an individual who is authorized by a Participant, consistent with the scope of that individual’s licensure and practice and his or her responsibilities to the Participant, to use the Care Pathways Services and provide and/or retrieve Clinical Information through the Care Pathways Services on behalf of that Participant
- 1.4 Clinical Information. Information that relates to either: (a) the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; (b) the provision of health care to an individual; (c) the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; (d) demographic information of or describing an individual; or (e) financial information of an individual.
- 1.5 Data Custodian. A Participant designee responsible to ACCEL for identifying User Access Levels, User Contact Information, User Changes and involvement with incident reporting escalation.
- 1.6 Data Provider or Recipient. A Participant approved by ACCEL to provide and/or receive Clinical Information for use through the ACCEL system.
- 1.7 HIPAA. The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 45 CFR Parts 160,162 and 164.
- 1.8 Notice of Privacy Practices (NPP). The written description of ACCEL’s or a Participant’s privacy practices, including without limitation privacy policies relating to notifying, administering and communicating patient consent or Opt-out.
- 1.9 Participant. An individual or organization that has entered into a written agreement approved by ACCEL defining that individual’s or organization’s participation in Care Pathway Services, which may or may not include utilization of the ACCEL System. A Participant may be a Data Provider, a Data Recipient or both or neither if participating as a Limited Information Provider.
- 1.10 Limited Information Provider. A Participant that is providing Clinical Information through means other than the ACCEL system, e.g., a provider of “paper” information.
- 1.11 Policies & Procedures. Policies & Procedures created and maintained by ACCEL

- 1.12 Steering Committee. The ACCEL committee composed of representatives of Participants described in the ACCEL Governance Agreement
- 1.13 Vault. Refers to each Participant's secure patient data base.