POLICY STATEMENT

Health Information Technology Standards

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The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) believes medical care is optimized when all pertinent patient information is available in a timely, usable, and secure manner. Seamless integration of data from within and amongst health care systems and personal health records is vital for proper patient care. ACEP supports the adoption of information standards and the meaningful use of health information technology (HIT) as defined by the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology (ONC). ACEP also encourages its members to become active proponents for interoperable systems prior to their institutions making information technology purchasing decisions.