

1. PURPOSE

The CORE Guiding Principles establish consistent expectations for the type and scope of work undertaken by CORE and the engagement of CORE Participants. The CORE Guiding Principles aid in realizing the CORE Mission:

"Drive the creation and adoption of healthcare operating rules that support standards, accelerate interoperability and align administrative and clinical activities among providers, payers and consumers."

The CORE Guiding Principles inform decision-making and response to the activities undertaken for the benefit of CORE and the industry at-large. Adherence to these guidelines advances CORE as the trusted, independent author of operating rules.

2. CORE GUIDING PRINCIPLES

CORE achieves consensus by acting as a trusted, independent facilitator.

The priorities and expertise of industry stakeholders drive the development of CORE Operating Rules.

Equally weighted, diverse experience is essential to strengthen applicability and reach.

CORE Operating Rules include the viewpoints and experience of all CORE Participants, regardless of their size or standing in the industry.

Initiatives align to a singular goal: establish common expectations for exchange.

CORE Operating Rules standardize and streamline healthcare data exchange, regardless of the format or technology.

Transparency is fundamental to <u>building high value solutions</u>.

CORE Participants are forthcoming about challenges and share insights during the rule development process.

Participation is a public commitment to innovation.

Industry leadership is demonstrated through proactive involvement with CORE initiatives.

Consensus-based requirements drive industry adoption and implementation.

Progress towards achieving the CORE Mission occurs when stakeholders put CORE Operating Rule requirements into practice.

CORE Guiding Principles apply to all CORE initiatives.

The catalyst for CORE was operating rules, but the strength, longevity, and durability of the initiative encompasses many disciplines.

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