

Issues With Inbound Data

- Standardization of reporting types
 - HL7
 - Flat Files
- Standardization of coding schemes
 - LOINC/SNOMED vs Local Codes
- LIS/EMR Vendor changes/co-operation
- Completeness of information being reported

Possible Solutions

- Acceptance of HL7 standards as published across all jurisdictions
- Pre-adopted flat file standards for emergency situations
- Direct labs to PHIN VADS as the primary source of LOINC/SNOMED mappings
- From National Level
 - Require all lab systems to require all patient demographics be sent with the order
 - Define standard list of data elements that are required for reporting