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## Foreword

30 This is a supplement to the IHE Patient Care Device Domain Technical Framework. Each supplement undergoes a process of public comment and trial implementation before being incorporated into the volumes of the Technical Frameworks.

This supplement is published on December 7, 2018 for trial implementation and may be available for testing at subsequent IHE Connectathons. The supplement may be amended based on the results of testing. Following successful testing it will be incorporated into the Patient Care  
35 Device Technical Framework. Comments are invited and can be submitted at [http://www.ihe.net/PCD\\_Public\\_Comments](http://www.ihe.net/PCD_Public_Comments).

This supplement describes changes to the existing technical framework documents.

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Information about the IHE Patient Care Device domain can be found at [ihe.net/IHE\\_Domains](http://ihe.net/IHE_Domains).

Information about the organization of IHE Technical Frameworks and Supplements and the process used to create them can be found at [http://ihe.net/IHE\\_Process](http://ihe.net/IHE_Process) and <http://ihe.net/Profiles>.

50 The current version of the IHE Patient Care Device Domain Technical Framework can be found at [http://ihe.net/Technical\\_Frameworks](http://ihe.net/Technical_Frameworks).

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185 **Introduction to this Supplement**

This supplement to the IHE Patient Care Device Technical Frameworks adds the rationale and implementation details of the Point-of-Care Identity Management Profile to the Framework, providing a means for standards-based exchange between systems of information collected and confirmed at the point of care tracking the set of medical devices originating observations about each patient.

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**Open Issues and Questions**

The work group solicits feedback on workflow effects and problems found in analyzing the profile and in trial implementation.

**Closed Issues**

195 Discuss differences from previous approaches based on ADT messages: will be faster, closer to the actual events than ADT feeds, which have a different purpose and are often not well synchronized with actual events at the point-of-care. Will enable devices, device controllers and a variety of other hospital systems to flexibly exchange information, publish or subscribe to change notifications.

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## General Introduction and Shared Appendices

The [IHE Technical Framework General Introduction and Shared Appendices](#) are components shared by all of the IHE domain technical frameworks. Each technical framework volume contains links to these documents where appropriate.

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*Update the following appendices to the General Introduction as indicated below. Note that these are **not** appendices to Volume 1.*

## Appendix A – Actor Summary Definitions

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*Add the following **new** actors to the IHE Technical Frameworks General Introduction Appendix A:*

Actor Name	Definition
Device-Patient Association Reporter	A system or person that asserts a device-patient association, disassociation, or attributes related to either such as current state or starting and ending times..
Device-Patient Association Manager	A system that records, manages, and serves records of device-patient associations.
Device-Patient Association Consumer	A system or person that queries a Device-Patient Association Manager for device-patient association records, either as a snapshot of current associations or as a subscription for ongoing updates.
Device Registrant	A system (including the device itself) or person that, when the device is set up for use by a Device-Patient Association Manager, uniquely identifies a device instance that may participate in device-patient associations.

## Appendix B – Transaction Summary Definitions

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*Add the following **new** transactions to the IHE Technical Frameworks General Introduction Appendix B:*

Transaction Name and Number	Definition
Assert Device-Patient Association	A Device-Patient Association Reporter asserts to a Device-Patient Association Manager that a device has been associated with a patient, or updates data concerning a reported assertion.
Assert Device-Patient Disassociation	A Device-Patient Association Reporter asserts to a Device-Patient Association Manager that the association between a device and a patient has been terminated.



Transaction Name and Number	Definition
Query Device-Patient Associations	A Device-Patient Association Consumer sends a query to a Device-Patient Association Manager concerning the devices associated with a patient or set of patients currently or at a stated past time. The Device-Patient Association Manager responds with the requested information.
Register Device	A Device Registrant sends, updates, or deletes a record of identifying information on a device instance for storage and use by the Device-Patient Association Manager.

## Appendix D – Glossary

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*Add the following new glossary terms to the IHE Technical Frameworks General Introduction Appendix D.*

Glossary Term	Definition
Assertion	A statement that a certain premise is true, for example that a device has been prepared to collect data about a patient.
Binding	A process of associating two related elements of information.
Biometrics	A measurable physical characteristic or personal behavioral trait used to recognize the identity, or verify the claimed identity of a person.
Direct Association	A patient association established by the observation and recording of a physical connection of a device to the patient.
Direct Device-Patient Association Assertion	A claim of direct device-patient association based on evidence.
Indirect Device-Patient Association	A patient association asserted on the basis of a common attribute shared by a device and patient, such as a location.
Location-based Assertion	An assertion of an association between two objects (e.g., a patient and a device, device-to-device, patient-to-caregiver), based solely upon the co-location (e.g., same room and bed) of these two objects.
Observation-Patient Association	The assignment of a device measurement/parameter to a specific patient. Observation - patient associations are established through the connection relationship of a unique patient to a unique device at the point in time that the measurement was recorded by the device.
Device-Patient Association Conflict Notification	A message from a particular clinical IT system that it detects an inconsistency between different identity assertions. For example, a device and an intermediary system may be simultaneously asserting that a single data stream represents two different patients.
Device-Patient Record Linkage	The process of binding and/or associating a discrete patient record to a discrete device record.
Precondition	"What the system under analysis will ensure is true before letting the use case start."
Receiving System	In the context of PCIM, any system which is a consumer of device-patient association or observation messages, such as an electronic medical record system, device gateway, or a device at the point of care.

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<b>Glossary Term</b>	<b>Definition</b>
Record	The discrete representation of a specific and unique patient or the device in either the reporting or consuming system's database.
Strong Identity Assertion	A presumption of patient or device unique recognition using multiple factors that provides a high degree of accuracy and certainty (e.g., barcode, biometric).
Strong Identity Factors	An identifier designed to be unique (applies to only one person) and consistent over the appropriate domain for at least throughout the visit or encounter, for example, Medical Record Number or National ID number.
Unique Device Identifier	In the US, a unique identifier for a medical device that is recognized by the US FDA and which has a part that identifies the maker and model of the device (DI) and a part that identifies the particular instance of the device. More generally, any identifier which allows a particular device to be uniquely identified.
Weak Identity Assertion	A presumption of patient or device unique recognition using factors that provides a low degree of accuracy and certainty (e.g., name, location).
Weak Identity Factors	Factors which can contribute to identification, but typically are not unique to patient; for example, name, sex, date of birth.

# Volume 1 – Profiles

## Copyright Licenses

225 None

## Domain-specific additions

None

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*Add new Section 7*

## **7 Point-of-Care Identity Management (PCIM) Profile**

235 The Point-of-Care Identity Management (PCIM) Profile is a Transport Profile specifying HL7<sup>®1</sup>  
v2 standard messaging for devices and IT systems at an acute-care point-of-care to exchange and  
synchronize information about the identity of specific devices collecting clinical information  
about a specific patient, to:

- 240 • Assist in the reliable association of the collected data to the proper patient record, based  
on first-hand observation and data entry by a person at the point of care, specifically  
designed to avoid wrong attribution of data from before or after the period of actual  
measurement on the patient.
- Assist in maintaining a correct “census” of devices that frequently move between patients  
such as infusion pumps, and mechanical ventilators.

245 The messaging defined provides for capable devices to originate messages asserting association  
and disassociation to a particular patient, for human interface software components to afford  
users the opportunity to originate or confirm association or disassociation assertions, for one or  
more systems to receive and persist device-patient association information, to distribute reporting  
messages or receive and respond to queries about such associations.

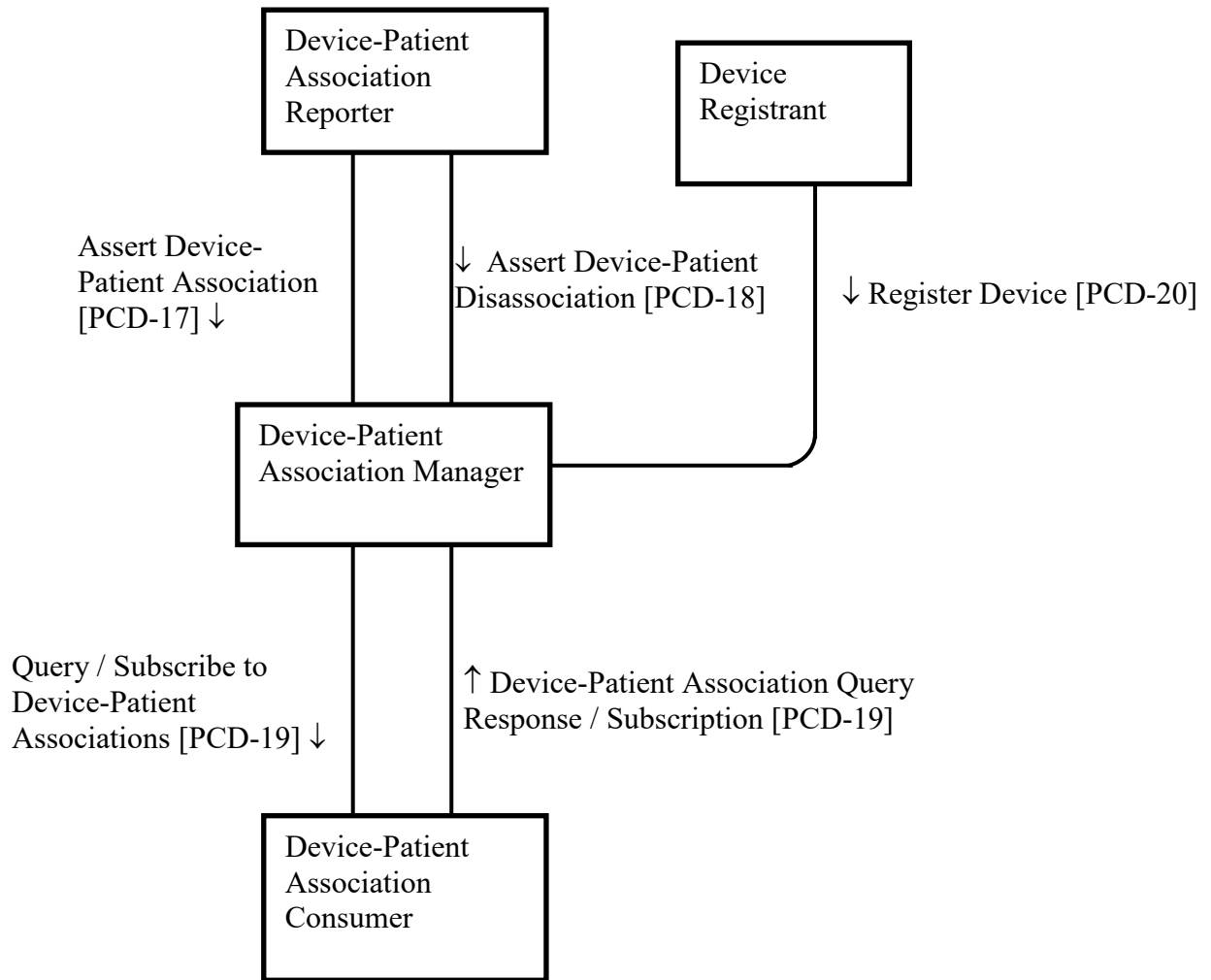
### **7.1 PCIM Actors, Transactions, and Content Modules**

250 This section defines the actors, transactions, and/or content modules in this profile. General  
definitions of actors are given in the Technical Frameworks General Introduction Appendix A.  
IHE Transactions can be found in the Technical Frameworks General Introduction Appendix B.  
Both appendices are located at [http://ihe.net/Technical\\_Frameworks/#GenIntro](http://ihe.net/Technical_Frameworks/#GenIntro)

255 Figure 7.1-1 shows the actors directly involved in the PCIM Profile and the relevant transactions  
between them. If needed for context, other actors that may be indirectly involved due to their  
participation in other related profiles are shown in dotted lines. Actors which have a required  
grouping are shown in conjoined boxes (see Section X.3).

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<sup>1</sup> HL7 is the registered trademark of Health Level Seven International.



**Figure 7.1-1: PCIM Actor Diagram**

260 Table 7.1-1 lists the transactions for each actor directly involved in the PCIM Profile. To claim compliance with this profile, an actor shall support all required transactions (labeled “R”) and may support the optional transactions (labeled “O”).

**Table 7.1-1: PCIM Profile - Actors and Transactions**

Actors	Transactions	Initiator or Responder	Optionality	Reference
Device-Patient Association Reporter	Report Device-Patient Association		R	PCD TF-2: 3.17
	Report Device-Patient Disassociation		R	PCD TF-2: 3.18
Device-Patient Association Consumer	Query Device-Patient Associations		O	PCD TF-2: 3.19
Device Registrant	Report Registered Device Details		R	PCD TF-2: 3.20

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### 7.1.1 Actor Descriptions and Actor Profile Requirements

Requirements are documented in Transactions (Volume 2) and Content Modules (Volume 3). This section documents any additional requirements on profile’s actors.

#### 7.1.1.1 Device-Patient Association Reporter

270 The Device-Patient Association Reporter represents a system or person that is asserts that a given device is attached or removed from a specific patient. For each such event, the unique Patient ID, Device ID, and timestamp must be reported.

#### 7.1.1.2 Device-Patient Association Manager

275 The Device-Patient Association Manager represents a system that collects and persists information on what devices are or were connected to which patients within a defined scope, such as a clinical unit, at a given time, and can communicate these associations as query responses, event notifications, or both.

#### 7.1.1.3 Device-Patient Association Consumer

280 The Device-Patient Association Consumer represents a system or person that is has a requirement to receive information on what devices are or were connected to which patients. A common example is a critical care system that charts device observations for a patient.

#### 7.1.1.4 Device Registrant

285 The Device Registrant represents a system or person that maintains the list of medical devices that can be connected to a patient. The list entry for each device typically includes the device type, location (may not apply if the device is mobile), and unique identity.

The Device Registrant announces when a device is placed in or taken out of service, is relocated, and other events as required.

Where this is a person, it is most likely hospital staff that is interacting directly with the Device-Patient Association Manager through its user interface.

290 Where it is a system, it may be a comprehensive device inventory system, a “gateway” system, or even the device itself.

## 7.2 PCIM Actor Options

295 The Device-Patient Association Consumer has two options available for receiving data from the Device-Patient Association Manager. The first option is to query the Manager for a snapshot of current associations, either by sending a patient identifier and receiving back the associated device(s) or by sending a device identifier and receiving back the associated patient. The second option is to receive an unsolicited continuous stream of association and disassociation events from the Manager as they occur. The Device-Patient Association Manager should support sending data via both methods, and the Device-Patient Association Consumer may support one or both methods.

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Options that may be selected for each actor in this profile, if any, are listed in the Table 7.2-1. Dependencies between options, when applicable, are specified in notes.

**Table 7.2-1: PCIM – Actors and Options**

Actor	Option Name	Reference
Device-Patient Association Consumer	Snapshot Option	7.2.1
Device-Patient Association Consumer	Subscription Option	7.2.2
Device-Patient Association Manager	Snapshot Option	7.2.1
Device-Patient Association Manager	Subscription Option	7.2.2
Device-Patient Association Reporter	No options defined	
Device Registrant	No options defined	

### 7.2.1 Snapshot Option

305 The snapshot option applies to query and response interactions between Device-Patient Association Consumer and Device-Patient Association Manager and specifies that the query response desired is a one-time transmission of current state of device-patient associations.

A Device-Patient Association Consumer that supports this option shall formulate its request in the form described in Section 3.19.

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## 7.2.2 Subscription Option

The snapshot option applies to query and response interactions between Device-Patient Association Consumer and Device-Patient Association Manager and specifies that the query response desired is a continuing subscription to changes in device-patient associations.

315 A Device-Patient Association Consumer that supports this option shall formulate its request in the form described in Section 3.19.

## 7.3 PCIM Required Actor Groupings

There are no required actor groupings specified in the Point-of-Care Identity Management (PCIM) Profile.

## 320 7.4 PCIM Overview

### 7.4.1 Concepts

Properly validated associations between devices, and patients that the devices are sourcing observations for, are an essential underpinning for clinical surveillance and clinical decision support systems. Patient safety depends on certainty that the values being charted do not have gaps, or worse, data from the wrong patient.

325 This profile provides standards-based messages for communications about the beginning, end, and current state of intervals in which a device is associated with a particular patient. It uses HL7 version 2 messages, still the most common pattern in healthcare institutions for similar information such as patient demographics. It does not specify a particular configuration of systems for its functions, but rather describes roles which may be assigned to different systems according to the workflow in the institution. For example, selection of the patient and the devices

330 could be accomplished on a module of an electronic medical record system, on a medical device such as a physiological monitor or ventilator with appropriate communication and display capabilities, or on a hand carried device controlling another healthcare information system.

### 335 7.4.2 Use Cases

#### 7.4.2.1 Use Case #1: Associating Device with Patient

A Device-Patient Association Reporter asserts a device-patient association to a Device-Patient Association Manager.

##### 7.4.2.1.1 Use Case #1 Associating Device with Patient: Process Flow

340 This use case can be driven by an authorized user responsible for entering, verifying, or both, the beginning and ending of an association between a device and a particular patient. The should be based on first person awareness of the situation at the point of care. Automatic Identification and Data Capture methods such as barcodes or RFID should be used to assist the workflow and increase data reliability to the maximum feasible extent. In certain circumstances and with



345 appropriate risk analysis, the association may be automatically generated. For example, a device  
with its own “admission” process, the act of manipulating the user interface at the point of care  
to “admit” a patient to the device may be deemed a patient-safe way of generating validated  
information of this device-patient association. For another example, a device with a fixed  
350 location and a known patient associated with the location may be appropriate to originate a  
device-patient association.

These means of identification are specific to the clinical environment in question, and standard  
procedures of risk analysis at the institution should be applied to assure that patient safety is  
adequately protected.

#### **7.4.2.1.2 Use Case Description**

355 An authorized person at the point of care and able to see the patient and the devices has gathered  
and checked the unique identifying information for a patient and one or more devices that are  
designated to originate observations on that patient. Before being sent, the information is  
displayed to the operator for verification. Once verified, a message is originated by the  
Association with the following information:

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- Patient identifier unique within the scope of the institution
  - Method of data capture (for example, scanned device bar code and patient wrist band, fixed  
device location, etc.)
  - Time parameters (typically effective begin time of the association. In the case where only a  
365 single set of observation from the device is expected, as for a spot-check monitor, the end  
time of the association is simultaneous with the beginning time)
  - Authorized performing participant

#### **7.4.2.1.3 Pre-conditions:**

370 Patient is to be associated with a device for clinical observations. Patient has been assigned  
unique identifier at registration which has been collected and verified at the point of care. Device  
identify has been registered for use. The identities of patient and device(s) have been collected  
and verified by an authorized person.

#### **7.4.2.1.4 Main Flow:**

375 Device-Patient Association reporter originates a message with the specific information on the  
association and its time of beginning. When such an association message is received, the  
manager system is responsible for determining if any conflicting information is in the system and  
generating an appropriate error message to assist the responsible personnel in resolving the  
conflict.

#### **7.4.2.1.5 Post-conditions:**

380 After completion of this use case, an association record identifying the patient and the associated device and giving the start time of the association is created and persisted by the Device-Patient Association Manager.

#### **7.4.2.2 Use Case #2: Disassociating Device From Patient**

##### **7.4.2.2.1 Description**

385 At the time the device is no longer set up to make observations on the patient, the Device-Patient Association Reporter originates a message conveying this information to the Device-Patient Association Manager. It should be noted that even though this may be a less salient event at the point of care, completeness and accuracy of disassociation is as important to an accurate record and proper association of observations with patients. This is a key issue in risk analysis and in system design.

##### **7.4.2.2.2 Process Flow**

390 The Device-Patient Association Manager receives the information that the association between a particular patient and one or more devices no longer exists. An authorized operator may originate this message through a user interface. In some cases, the device itself is capable of determining that the association has been broken and can communicate this information directly to the  
395 Device-Patient Association Manager, or indirectly through the Device-Patient Association Reporter. It may be appropriate to note this event on a user interface and get confirmation that it is correct. It also could be appropriate to ask whether other devices on record as being connected to the same patient are still connected or not.

#### **7.4.2.3 Use Case #3 Query for the Devices for a Patient**

##### **7.4.2.3.1 Description**

400 A Device-Patient Association Consumer may query a Device-Patient Association Manager for a list of devices associated with a particular patient at present, or at a designated time in the past, or more generally for a snapshot of the Device-Patient Association map.

##### **7.4.2.3.2 Process Flow**

405 For status display or for error-checking and diagnostic purposes, the Device-Patient Association Manager can respond to a targeted query by sending a query response message.

#### **7.4.2.4 Use Case #4 Query the Associated Patient for a Device**

##### **7.4.2.4.1 Description**

410 A device (or another system) may require the identity of the patient it is connected to, for display or other purposes, but not have this information available to it, so the profile provides for a

Device-Patient Association Consumer to query the Device-Patient Association Manager for this information.

#### **7.4.2.4.2 Process Flow**

415 The identity of the patient associated with a device (or the lack of an associated patient identity) may be queried for.

#### **7.4.2.5 Use Case #5 Device Registrant Registers a Device with the Device-Patient Association Manager**

##### **7.4.2.5.1 Description**

Identification and supporting information about a device may be registered with the Manager.

##### **7.4.2.5.2 Process Flow**

420 Before a device can participate in a Device-Patient Association, its identity and basic attributes such a device type, manufacturer and model, and additional identity information such as its regulatory Unique Device Identifier are provided by the Device Registrant to the Device-Patient Association Manager to be persisted and used in the other transactions in this use case.

##### **7.4.2.6 Use Case #6 Query the Device Registrant for a list of candidate devices for an association**

425 A Device Registrant in the present might be used by Device-Patient Association Reporter to allow presentation of a pick list of candidate devices to be paired with a patient

### **7.5 PCIM Security Considerations**

430 This profile itself does not impose specific requirements for authentication, encryption, or auditing, leaving these matters to site-specific policy or agreement based on careful risk analysis taking into account the security and privacy sensitivity of the patient and device-patient association content being handled. The IHE PCD Technical Framework identifies security requirements across all PCD profiles.

435 See the associated IHE PCD PCIM White Paper for additional discussion of some additional specific security concerns.

### **7.6 PCIM Cross Profile Considerations**

440 This profile specifically covers associations and disassociations between patients and devices. As patient demographics and ADT information (e.g., patient location) are often integral to satisfying the use cases profiled in this document, implementers should be familiar with the following profiles within the IT Infrastructure Technical Framework:

- Patient Administration Management Profile

- Patient Demographics Query
- ITI Patient Demographic Query - Patient Demographic Reporter

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A Patient Demographic Consumer in IT Infrastructure might be used by a Device-Patient Association Reporter to allow presentation of a pick list of candidate patients to associate with one or more devices at the point-of-care.

# Appendices

None

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## Volume 2 – Transactions

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### 3.17 Assert Device-Patient Association [PCD-17]

#### 455 3.17.1 Scope

This transaction is used to by a Device-Patient Association Reporter to assert that an association has been established between a device and a patient, or to update information reported previously by that reporter.

#### 3.17.2 Actor Roles

460 The roles in this transaction are defined in the following table and may be played by the actors listed:

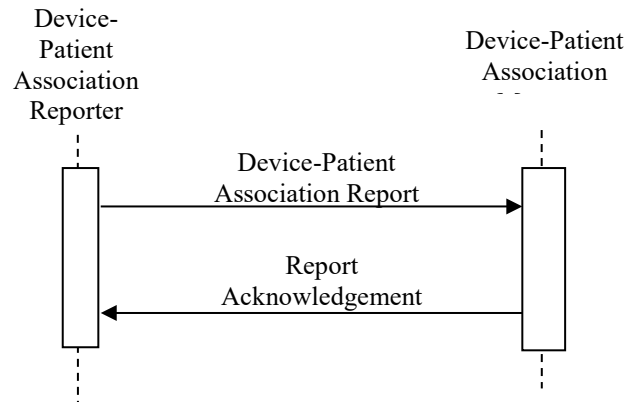
**Table 3.17.2-1: Actor Roles**

<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Reporter
<b>Role:</b>	Reporter – the source of the assertion. Identifies the device, the patient, the authority for the association, and the effective time.
<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Manager
<b>Role:</b>	Manager – establishes a persistent record of the association.

#### 3.17.3 Referenced Standards

465 HL7 2.6 Chapters 2, 3, 5 and 7

### 3.17.4 Interaction Diagram



#### 3.17.4.1 Device-Patient Association Report

470 This is an HL7 Version 2 message giving details of the association being asserted. The message may assert association between more than one device and one patient.

The manager may receive this message from multiple Reporter instances.

##### 3.17.4.1.1 Trigger Events

475 This message is triggered at the beginning of an interval when the logical connection between a device and the data it originates and a particular patient is established, after that connection has been verified by a human user able to check its validity at the point of care.

##### 3.17.4.1.2 Message Semantics

The significant content of the message is the following:

- 480 • Confirmed unique identity of patient, preferably derived from an AIDC (Automatic Identification and Data Capture) such as scanning the patient wristband or reading an RFID tag. Code used to identify the patient must be chosen so as to be unique at least over the scope of the set of patients seen over all information systems in the institution, such as a Medical Record Number issued by the institution for the patient, or, if available, a national id number. The type and issuing entity shall be recorded with the code. Additional identity codes may be provided at the discretion of the institution. Note that  
485 any code identifiable with an individual patient must be secured from misuse in accordance with applicable legal and policy procedures.
- Unique identity of Device. This again is determined by site considerations. It is preferable to use a universally unique identification of the individual instance of the device, such as an IEEE EUI-64 or a Unique Device Identifier such as one produced in

490 accordance with the US FDA (or other regulatory agency) UDI standards. If this is not  
possible, then another universal identification scheme such as EUI-64 or a local  
identification scheme allowing all device instances in the institution to be uniquely  
distinguished and tracked may be used. Additional identification codes may be included.  
495 Whatever code is used should be possible to record automatically, as manual data entry  
has a high error rate, and correct identification is a patient safety concern.

- Identity of the authorized person responsible for obtaining and visually confirming the identity information for the patient and the device.

The form of the message is similar to an unsolicited observation report, with supplementary PRT segments identifying the device, human operator originating the association. See Appendix 0 for  
500 details of HL7 V2 messages.

On receipt of the message, the manager system checks for valid syntax and that the:

1. originating Reporter system and human user are authorized for their roles
2. the device is a member of the set of registered device instances and has no current conflicting association recorded (e.g., a single-patient device has an active association  
505 with a different patient)
3. the patient identity provided corresponds to a known person in an appropriate status (e.g., admitted)

After these checks, the Manager logs the result and returns an appropriate positive or negative acknowledgement to the Reporter. The system design must assure that errors are indicated to the  
510 appropriate human user(s) in an effective and timely manner so that action can be taken.

If the checks are passed, the Manager establishes a record of the existence of the association and its effective time.

### 3.18 Assert Device-Patient Disassociation [PCD-18]

#### 3.18.1 Scope

515 This transaction breaks the association between a device and a patient, and causes an ending time to be inserted in the record of the former association.

#### 3.18.2 Actor Roles

**Table 3.18.2-1: Actor Roles**

<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Reporter
<b>Role:</b>	Reporter – the source of the assertion. Identifies the device, the patient, the authority for the association, and the effective time.
<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Manager

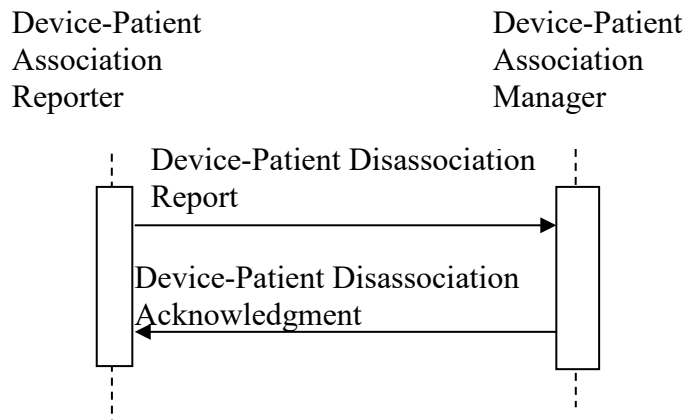


<b>Role:</b>	Manager – establishes a persistent record of the association.
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520 **3.18.3 Referenced Standards**

HL7 2.6 Chapters 2, 3, 5 and 7

**3.18.4 Interaction Diagram**



**3.18.4.1 Device-Patient Disassociation Report**

525 Reports that an association previously reported between a device and a patient no longer exists. This is the inverse of the Device-Patient Association Report. The two are similar in form and could have been defined as two variants of the same message, but have been given different names and discussed separately to emphasize differences in effects.

**3.18.4.1.1 Trigger Events**

530 This message can be triggered manually. The user interface could display information about the existing association, and an authorized person could select the association and give a command to end it.

535 If the equipment used has a means available to detect the termination of recording of data from a particular patient, this method could be used to give an operator warning that the association may have been ended, and offer the opportunity to confirm this and check whether other associations indicated as current for that patient are still valid.

### 3.18.4.1.2 Message Semantics

540 The significant content of this message are the identities of the device and the patient that are no longer to be associated, and the identity of the authorized person originating the message. See Appendix 0 for details.

### 3.18.4.1.3 Expected Actions

The Device-Patient Association Manager records the ending time of the association, persists the record of the time interval of the association, and sends a notification to information system with a subscription covering the event.

### 545 3.18.4.2 Device-Patient Disassociation Acknowledgement

The reply to the Device-Patient Disassociation Report is an ordinary HL7 Acknowledgement.

### 3.18.3 Security Considerations

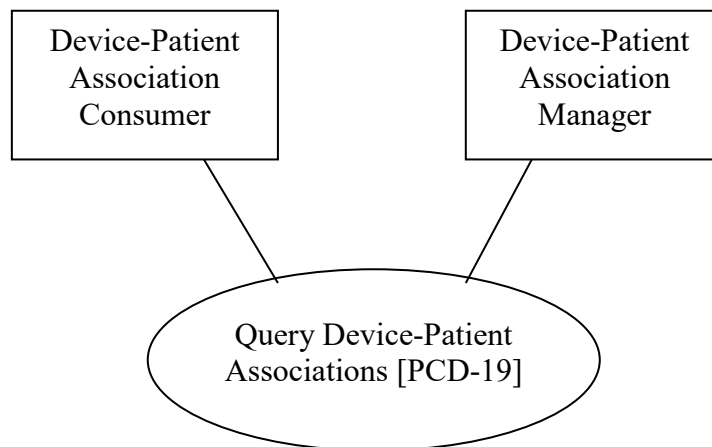
No special security or security audit considerations beyond the general ones already discussed apply to this transaction

## 550 3.19 Query Device-Patient Associations [PCD-19]

### 3.19.1 Scope

This transaction is used by a Device Patient Association Consumer to access device-patient association information held by a Device Patient Association Manager.

### 3.19.2 Actor Roles



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**Figure 3.19.2-1: Use Case Diagram**

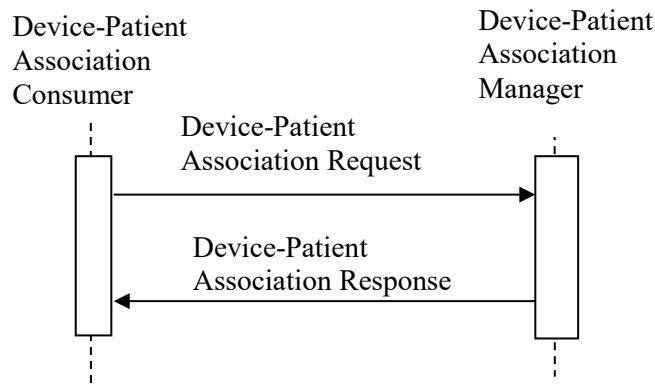
**Table 3.19.2-1: Actor Roles**

<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Consumer
<b>Role:</b>	Requests information on Device-Patient Associations. This may be filtered for device, for patient, or for time interval. It may request a current “snapshot” of active associations, or optionally for an ongoing feed of device-patient association information.
<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Manager
<b>Role:</b>	Fulfills a request from a Device-Patient Association Consumer for device-patient association information in the manner specified by the Consumer

### 3.19.3 Referenced Standards

560 HL7 2.6 Chapters 2, 3, 5 and 7

### 3.19.4 Interaction Diagram



#### 3.19.4.1 Device-Patient Association Query

565 This message from a Device-Patient Association Consumer requests a response from a Device-Patient Association Manager containing device-patient association data. A Device-Patient Association Manager is expected to be able to service multiple Device-Patient Association Consumer systems and manage different query and response streams and communications connections with each. Whether these communications ports are preconfigured, or dynamic with appropriate node identification and authorization for each connection request, is a matter of  
570 implementation design.

There are multiple use cases:

1. A request for a ‘current snapshot’ of associations filtered as specified by the query parameters.
2. A request for an ongoing real-time feed of changes in associations.
- 575 3. Possibly less important would be request for a ‘replay’ of data from a specified time period in the past.

Trying to fit these cases with the array of patterns present in Chapter 5 (Queries) of the HL7 Specification presents some puzzles. This profile chooses the QSB publish-subscribe paradigm, matching option 1, as the general case and treats 2 and 3 as special cases of it using some special semantics of query parameters described below.

#### 3.19.4.1.1 Trigger Events

This message is triggered by the Device-Patient Association Consumer when it requires information about a device or devices associated with a patient currently or in the past (within the period available from the Device-Patient Association Manager). It may also be used to request a continuing feed of data concerning changes in device-patient associations within the scope of the Device-Patient Association Manager.

#### 3.19.4.1.2 Message Semantics

This message is a query specification. It gives the scope of the information wanted by the Device-Patient Association Consumer in response to the query: what patients, units, devices and time periods are pertinent. See Appendix 0 for details of HL7 segment contents and semantics.

#### 3.19.4.1.3 Expected Actions

The Device-Patient Association Manager is responsible for collecting, formatting and sending the requested information back to the querying Device-Patient Association Consumer according to the filtering specified in the query.

595 The management of the query and response connection between the Device-Patient Association Consumer and the Device-Patient Association Manager in the case of an ongoing subscription is an implementation detail, but one practical method is for the Device-Patient Association Manager to maintain an open TCP listen port to accept connections from one or more Device-Patient Association Consumer clients and then to open an individual TCP connection with each requester that persists as long as the client is connected and the query is valid (within its time limits, if any). For a non-subscription, “snapshot”-type query, the Device-Patient Association Manager could just respond on the static connection that the query comes in on.

#### 3.19.4.2 Device-Patient Association Query Response

605 The response carries the requested data if the Device-Patient Association Manager has any matching the specification. If there is none available, the response is in effect an empty frame with zero data records in the position that data would be expected. If the request is ill-formed

(incorrect syntax or impossible query specification), an indication of the nature of the error should be returned.

#### **3.19.4.2.1 Trigger Events**

610 This message and the activity of preparing it, is triggered in the Device-Patient Association Manager by the query request from the Device-Patient Association Consumer. This trigger may request a snapshot of current state (Snapshot Option), or request the setting up of a sequence of messages triggered by a state change in the device-patient associations (Subscription Option).

#### **3.19.4.2.2 Message Semantics**

615 The message is made up of a frame identifying the message, a read-back of the query parameters of the request, and the requested data represented as a set of observations portraying the pertinent device-patient association states.

This response may be part of a sequence of messages sent when device-patient association state transitions happen within the scope of the request from the Device-Patient Association Consumer that initiated. For detailed semantics and the construction of the HL7 message structure and segment contents, see Appendix A.2.3.

#### **3.19.4.2.3 Expected Actions**

625 The Device-Patient Association Consumer is expected to take actions depending on the reason it made the query request and its own business logic. An example would be for a device without its own selection and validation mechanism for identifying the patient it is interacting with to receive and use the information from the Device-Patient Association Manager to send that patient identity information with its observations or display the patient identity on its user interface.

#### **3.19.5 Security Considerations**

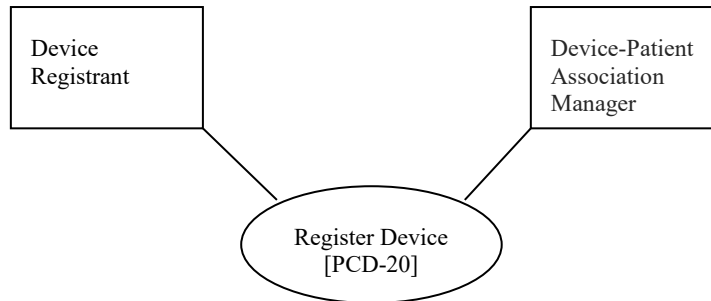
630 No special security or security audit considerations beyond the general ones already discussed apply to this transaction.

### **3.20 Register Device [PCD-20]**

#### **3.20.1 Scope**

635 This transaction is used to report the introduction of a new device or the removal of a device to subscribing actors, including the Device Patient Association Manager.

### 3.20.2 Actor Roles



**Figure 3.20.2-1: Use Case Diagram**

**Table 3.20.2-1: Actor Roles**

<b>Actor:</b>	Device Registrant
<b>Role:</b>	Maintains master file of medical devices that can be associated with a patient
<b>Actor:</b>	Device-Patient Association Manager
<b>Role:</b>	Maintains list of associations between devices and patients

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The roles in this transaction are defined in the following table and may be played by the actors shown here:

**Table 3.20.2-2: Actor Roles**

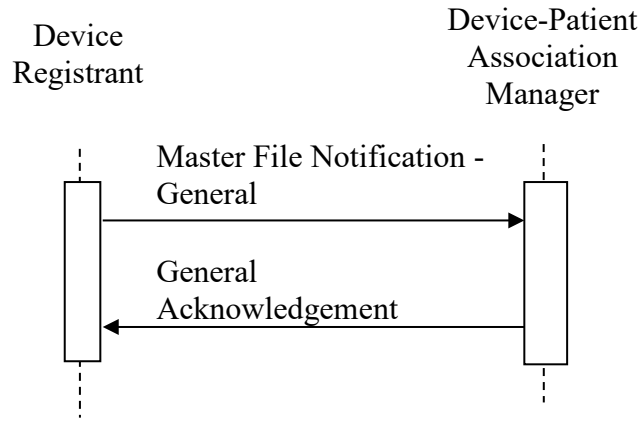
<b>Role:</b>	<i>Notifier</i>
<b>Actor(s):</b>	The following actors may play the role of Notifier: Device Registrant: Notify subscribers of updates to the Device Master
<b>Role:</b>	<i>Subscriber</i>
<b>Actor(s):</b>	The following actors may play the role of Subscriber: Device-Patient Association Manager: Update local list of devices available for association with a patient

645 Transaction text specifies behavior for each role. The behavior of specific actors may also be specified when it goes beyond that of the general role.

### 3.20.3 Referenced Standards

HL7 2.6 Chapters 2 and 8.

### 3.20.4 Interaction Diagram



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#### 3.20.4.1 MFN - Master File Notification - General

This message is sent by the device registrant to notify the Device-Patient Association Manager that a device has been added, removed, deactivated or reactivated from the inventory of bedside medical devices.

##### 655 3.20.4.1.1 Trigger Events

M13 - Master File Notification – General

Any change to the list of bedside medical devices available for association to a patient:

- Device added to the list
- Device removed from the list
- Device deactivated, and temporarily unavailable for association
- Device reactivated

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##### 3.20.4.1.2 Message Semantics

This message is an HL7 V2 Master File Notification. With this message, the Device Registrant notifies subscribers, such as the Device-Patient Association Manager, of additions, deletions, deactivations and reactivations of bedside medical devices.

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##### 3.20.4.1.3 Expected Actions

Because of receiving this message, recipients should update their local device lists as appropriate.

670 As an example: if the recipient is a Device-Patient Association Manager, and the sender indicated the device was added to the master, then the Device-Patient Association Manager may offer this device to be a subject of the association with a patient.

Senders of this message are not expected to take any specific action, beyond preparing to receive an acknowledgement.

#### **3.20.4.2 ACK - General Acknowledgement**

675 This message is returned to acknowledge receipt of the MFN message.

##### **3.20.4.2.1 Trigger Events**

Upon receipt of a message that requires acknowledgement.

##### **3.20.4.2.2 Message Semantics**

This message is the HL7 V2 ACK message.

680 **3.20.4.2.3 Expected Actions**

With this message, recipients are cleared to initiate the next transaction. As an example, if this message is sent to a Device Registrant, upon receipt the Device Registrant is clear to send the next Master File Notification message.

#### **3.20.5 Security Considerations**

685 No security considerations beyond the general ones already given are dictated.

##### **3.20.5.1 Security Audit Considerations**

No security audit considerations are dictated.



## Volume 2 Namespace Additions

- 690 The PCD registry of OIDs is located at [https://wiki.ihe.net/index.php/PCD\\_OID\\_Management](https://wiki.ihe.net/index.php/PCD_OID_Management). Additions to the PCD OID Registry are:

OID	Refers to
1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.1.17.1	Point-of-Care Identity Management - Report Device-Patient Association [PCD-17]
1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.1.18.1	Point-of-Care Identity Management - Report Device-Patient Disassociation [PCD-18]
1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.1.19.1	Point-of-Care Identity Management - Query Device-Patient Associations [PCD-19]
1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.1.20.1	Point-of-Care Identity Management - Register Device [PCD-20]

# Appendices

## Appendix A – Proposed Messages

700 The descriptions of these messages do not repeat all information in the related sections of the PCD TF-2 or the base HL7 specifications, which should be consulted for additional details. The base version of HL7 used in IHE PCD Profiles is version 2.6; however, this profile uses the semantics of the PRT segment which was not introduced until version 2.7 and not extended with full details of the Unique Device Identifier until version 2.8.2.

### A.1 Report Device-Patient Association and Disassociation

705 As all of the use cases identified in this profile can be considered observations (it was observed that device *dl* was connected to patient *p1* starting at *t1* and ending at *t2*), the ORU message structure is used throughout this profile to manage associations. This description also serves for a Report Device-Patient Disassociation – the only difference between the Association and Disassociation messages is the content of OBX-5. The Message Structure and attendant notes also serve to specify the segment pattern to be expected in responses to Query for Device-Patient Associations [PCD-19] messages. The prototype for the IHE Patient Care Device observations in 710 this profile is the [PCD-01] in the Device Enterprise Communication Profile (PCD TF-2: 3.1), which implementers should familiarize themselves with – it serves as useful background information and contains details on some fields that are not covered in this profile.

#### A.1.1 Message Structure

Table A.1.1-1: Report Device Patient Association

Segments	Description
MSH	Message Header
[{ SFT }]	Software Segment
[UAC]	User Authentication Credential
PID	Patient Identification
[PV1]	Patient Visit Information (for room bed)
OBR	Observation Request
{	<i>One group for each device being associated with patient identified in the PID</i>
OBX	Observation Result
{ PRT }	Participation – <i>One PRT segment for device, one for responsible person</i>
}	

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MSH, SFT, and UAC Segments: follow the specifications for [PCD-01] in PCD TF-2 Appendix B.1, except that in the MSH segment, MSH-21 is valued “IHE\_PCD\_017^IHE\_PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.1.17.1^ISO” to identify it as a Report Device-Patient Association.

720 sage. In the context of this use case, the message is constrained to reporting association(s) for a single patient. This could be single device, single patient, or multiple devices associated to a single patient.

## A.1.2 Segments

### A.1.2.1 MSH – Message Header

725 Since this message is effectively an unsolicited observation report, the contents of the MSH segment follow the specifications for [PCD-01] in PCD TF-2 Appendix B.1, except that MSH-21 is valued “IHE\_PCD\_017^IHE PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.17^ISO” to identify it as a message representing a device-patient association.

### A.1.2.2 PID – Patient Identification

730 In order to assert an association between a patient and a device, the PID segment is required. It identifies the patient who is associated to the device. The Patient Identifier List must contain an identifier that is unique for all patients within the scope of the system. By default, if an identifier on the list is identified as a medical record number, it is used (PID-3.5 Identifier Type code valued as “MR”). There may be multiple identifiers in the list, and implementers may choose to allow a different identifier than the medical record number to be used as a configuration option.

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**Table A.1.2.2-1: PID Fields**

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
1	SI	O		Set ID - PID
3	CX	R	Y	Patient Identifier List
5	XPN	O	Y	Patient Name
7	DTM	RE		Gender
8	IS	RE		DOB

### A.1.2.3 PV1 Patient Visit Information

740 See transaction [PCD-01] for basic information (PCD TF-2 Appendix B.6). In this profile, the PV1 segment is used to convey patient location information in PV1-3 Assigned Patient Location. This is also usable as a query filter to limit responses from the Device-Patient Association Query to matching locations.

### A.1.2.4 OBR – Order Request

745 This segment serves as a wrapper for an association observation. It gives the association message a unique identifier in the Filler Order Number OBR-3. This is a required field: it acts as an association object instance identifier for tracking is used for tracking messages from all sources in the overall configuration of systems, so it must be constrained by some method of generation

that assures that duplicate identifiers between sources are not possible. It gives the timestamp of the beginning of the association (OBR-7), and when it is known, the end of the association (OBR-8).

750 **A.1.2.5 OBX – Observation (for Patient ID)**

This segment conveys the “observation” that the patient has been associated to a device. It includes the time stamp of the association event and the device ID. A set of PRT segments accompanies it to convey the identity of the patient, the device, and the responsible observer.

**Table A.1.2.5-1: OBX Fields**

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
1	SI	O		Set ID - OBX
2	ID	R		Value Type – set to CWE
3	CWE	R		Observation Identifier – set to 68487^MDCX_ATTR_EVT_COND^MDC
4	ST	O		Observation Sub-ID. Use to convey a specific channel that’s been associated, as <MDS>.<VMD>.<CHANNEL>.<facet>
5	CWE	R		Observation Value. See Table A.1.2.5-2: OBX-5 Values on page 37
11	ID	R		Observation Result Status. See Table A.1.2.5-3: OBX-11 Values on page 37.

755 **Table A.1.2.5-2: OBX-5 Values**

Observation Value	Description
0^MDCX_DEV_ASSOCIATE^MDC	Device has been associated to a patient.
0^MDCX_DEV_DISASSOCIATE^MDC	Device has been disassociated from a patient.

A device association can be reported as a point-in-time event, in which case a separate disassociate message is not required to delineate the end of the association. Alternatively, the association event message can convey a duration during which the association was in effect. The latter is equivalent to an associate/disassociate message pair, and may be preferable for short duration associations (e.g., spot vitals collection).

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**Table A.1.2.5-3: OBX-11 Values**

Status	HL7 Description	Adaptation
C	Record coming over is a correction and thus replaces a final result.	Record coming over is a correction and thus replaces a validated association.
D	Deletes the OBX record	Deletes the association record.
F	Final results; can only be changed with a corrected result.	Validated association. Can only be changed with a corrected association record.
R	Results entered -- not verified	An association has been asserted, but not validated.

Status	HL7 Description	Adaptation
W	Post original as wrong, e.g., transmitted for wrong patient.	Post original as wrong, e.g., transmitted for wrong patient.

### A.1.2.6 PRT – Participation (Observation Participation)

765 This segment conveys information about persons and/or devices that participated in the association, ancillary to the patient and device that are its subjects. There will be PRT messages identifying the patient, the device, and the responsible observer of a device-patient association following an OBX message as described in Section 0. For example:

- A nurse that established and/or validated an association
- A device gateway
- 770 • The device itself, if the patient ID is entered directly onto the device

**Table A.1.2.6-1: PRT Fields**

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
2	ID	R		Action Code. Always value to UC (unchanged).
4	CWE	R		Participation .
5	XCN		Y	Participation Person. If a person is the participant in this association message, his or her ID and name appear here.
9	PL		Y	Participation Location. Location where association was asserted or observed.
10	EI	C	Y	Participation Device. If a device is the initiator of this association record (PRT-4 = AUT), its ID appears here. Format is the same as in existing IHE PCD profiles and will match PRT-10 of device-as-subject PRT segment of this message, provided that the device associated with the patient and the device reporting the participation are one and the same (e.g., patient admitted on this monitor). If this PRT segment identifies this device as the subject of the association (PRT-4 = EQUIP), its ID appears here. Note – Prior to HL7 2.7, this would have appeared in OBX-18.
11	DTM	C		Participation Begin Date/Time (arrival time). Refer to <a href="#">Table A.1.2.6-4</a> .
12	DTM	C		Participation End Date/Time (departure time). Refer to <a href="#">Table A.1.2.6-3</a> .
13	CWE	O		Participation Qualitative Duration. Not used in this profile.
14	XAD	O		Participation Address
15	XTN	O		Participation Telecommunication Address
16	EI	O		Participation Device Identifier. From UDI, should be present if known. See discussion below.
17	DTM			Participation Device Manufacture Date. From UDI, should be present if known.
18	DTM	O		Participation Device Expiry Date. Not normally applicable in this profile.
19	ST	O		Participation Device Lot Number. Not normally applicable in this profile.

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
20	ST	C		Participation Device Serial Number. From UDI, should be present if known.

**Table A.1.2.6-2: PRT-4 Values**

Participation	HL7 Description	Adaptation
AUT	AUT Author/Event Initiator	The participant (nurse, device, etc.), initially asserts the association.
EQUIP	Equipment	The participant is the device that is a subject of the device-patient association.
RO	Responsible Observer	The participant (nurse, etc.) observes an already asserted association as a prelude to adjusting, validating, or marking in error.

**PRT-10 Participation Device (EI)**

775 PRT-10 should contain some form of identifier sufficient to uniquely identify the device within the scope of the overall system. This is a repeating field, so more than one identifier can be given. If available, it should have as one of its values the “human readable form” of the Unique Device Identifier defined by the US FDA, where applicable, but in any case must contain See details in the UDI Final Rule (U.S. Food and Drug Administration 2013).

780 It should be noted that the use of OBX-18 for equipment identification has been deprecated. So for long-term use, the PRT segment is preferred. See PCD TF-2 Appendix B.10.2 for details of how the PRT segment should be used for equipment identification.

**Definition:** Identifier for the device participating. This may reflect an unstructured or a structured identifier such as FDA UDI, RFID, IEEE EUI-64 identifiers, or bar codes.

785 If this attribute repeats, all instances must represent the same device.

**Condition:** At least one of the Participation Person, Participation Organization, Participation Location, or Participation Device fields must be valued.

If this field contains an FDA UDI, it shall contain the entire Human Readable Form of the UDI. For example, a GS1-based UDI would be represented as follows:

790 |(01)00643169001763(17)160712(21)21A11F4855^^2.16.840.1.113883.3.3719^ISO|

A HIBCC-based example would be represented as follows:

|+H123PARTNO1234567890120/\$\$420020216LOT123456789012345/SXYZ456789012345678/16D20130202C^^2.16.840.1.113883.3.3719^ISO

795 The identifier root shall be the OID assigned to UDI. For example, for FDA UDIs the root shall be 2.16.840.1.113883.3.3719, and the extension shall be the Human Readable Form appropriate for the style of content. When captured as a simple string, the string shall be the Human Readable Form appropriate for the style of content. The content style can be determined from the leading characters of the content:

UDIs beginning with:

- 800 ‘(’ are in the GS1 Human Readable style;  
           ‘0-9’ are a GS1 DI (containing only the DI value, no PI or GS1 AI);  
           ‘+’ are in the HIBCC Human Readable style;  
           ‘=’ or ‘&’ are in the ICCBBA Human Readable style.

805 Note: If “&” is used in the UDI while one of the delimiters in MSH.2 includes “&” as well, it must be properly escaped per Chapter 2.7 of the HL7 Specification.

The exchange of UDI sub-elements in PRT-16 through PRT-21 is not required when the full UDI string is provided in PRT.10.

When a UDI is provided and sub-elements are also provided, then for those sub-elements that are valued, the content must match the content encoded in the UDI if it is encoded within the UDI.

810 Caution: The UDI may contain personally identifying information in the form of the device serial number which may be used to link to other information on a patient. Standard practice for exchanging potentially identifying content should be exercised when exchanging UDIs which contain a serial number.

815 Note: PRT.10 is a repeating field. Additional device identifiers, such as an IEEE EUI-64 may also be contained in this field.

**Table A.1.2.6-3: PRT-11 Interpretation**

Participation Status	AUT	EQUIP	RO
R-Asserted	Time that the person/device asserted the association between the patient and device.	Time that the device-patient association is asserted to have been established.	Unusual. Time that the person in this role observed the person/device in the AUT role asserting the association.
C-Corrected	n/a	Corrected time that the device-patient association is asserted to have been established.	Time that the person in this role issued the correction.
D-Deleted	n/a	n/a	Time that the person in this role issued the deletion order.
F-Validated	n/a	Time that the device-patient association is confirmed to have been established. If null, most recently asserted/corrected time has been confirmed.	Time that the person in this role validated the association.
W-Wrong	n/a	n/a	Time that the person in this role declared the association to be erroneous.



**Table A.1.2.6-4: PRT-12 Interpretation**

<b>Participation → ↓Status</b>	<b>AUT</b>	<b>EQUIP</b>	<b>RO</b>
R-Asserted	Time that the person/device asserted the disassociation between the patient and device.	Time that the device-patient disassociation is asserted to have taken place.	Unusual. Time that the person in this role observed the person/device in the AUT role asserting the disassociation.
C-Corrected	n/a	Corrected time that the device-patient association is asserted to have ended.	Time that the person in this role issued the correction.
D-Deleted	n/a	n/a	n/a
F-Validated	n/a	Time that the device-patient association is confirmed to have ended. If null, most recently asserted/corrected time has been confirmed.	Time that the person in this role validated the disassociation.
W-Wrong	n/a	n/a	n/a

### **PRT-16 Participation Device Identifier (EI)**

820 **Definition:** Provides the U.S. FDA UDI device identifier (DI) element.

This is the first component in the UDI and acts as the look up key for the Global Unique Device Identification Database (GUDID), and may be used for retrieving additional attributes.

825 When exchanging Device Identifiers (DI) the root shall be the OID, or standards' appropriate corollary to the OID, assigned to DI and the extension shall be the Human Readable Form of the content. For example, for DIs the root shall be:

GS1 DIs: 2.51.1.1

HIBCC DIs: 1.0.15961.10.816

ICCBBA DIs: 2.16.840.1.113883.6.18.1.17 for Blood containers and 2.16.840.1.113883.6.18.1.34 otherwise.

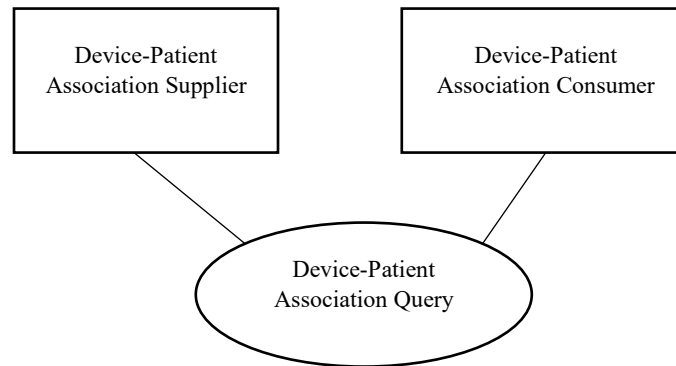
830 Example: |00643169001763^^2.51.1.1^ISO|

## **A.2 Device-Patient Association Query Message**

### **A.2.1 Scope**

835 This query allows a system to request a list of the device-patient associations meeting specified conditions. Note that “snapshot” and “subscription” request modes are supported.

## A.2.2 Use Case Roles



### 840 A.2.3 Details of Device-Patient Association Query Message [PCD-19]

This message is used by a Device-Patient Association Consumer to request device-patient association information from a Device-Patient Association Manager, specifying filtering by patient identification, by location or by device identification. It may also be limited to a particular time (often the time the message is originated), a time interval, or it may specify an open-ended time interval, signifying that the Device-Patient Association Consumer is requesting an ongoing real-time subscription to device-patient association information (possibly filtered as just described) that is received from Device-Patient Association Reporters. The query takes the form of a QSB publish and subscribe query as described in HL7 Chapter 5, Section 5.7.3.1. It is almost identical to the profile for the QSB^Z83^QSB\_Q16 trigger with ORU^R01^ORU\_R01 response trigger described in Section 5.7.3.1 of the HL7 specification except that the query parameters are different to accommodate the semantics of filtering for device-patient associations, and the observation reports given as the response to the query, while conforming to the ORU\_R01 message structure, have the specific semantics of transaction Device-Patient Association Reports [PCD-17].

855 For identification, the arbitrary “local” (i.e., not issued by the HL7 organization) trigger event Z66 is used for the query/subscription message. This applies for initial testing but is subject to change before this profile is submitted for final text.

**Table A.2.3-1: Query Profile**

Name	Value
Query Statement ID	Z66
Type	Publish
Query Name	Device Patient Association Query
Query Trigger	QSB^Z66^QSB_Q16
Query mode	Both
Response Trigger	ORU^R01^ORU_R01
Query Characteristics	Returns device-patient associations as constrained in the input parameters
Purpose	Sends device-patient association records, filtered as defined in input parameters
Response Characteristics	The response contains [PCD-17] device-patient association reports known to the Device-Patient Association Manager, filtered by the query parameters.
Based on Segment Pattern	R01 as constrained by transaction [PCD-01] (see details in PCD TF-2 3.10 and with the semantics of transaction [PCD-17] as in this profile.

**Table A.2.3-2: QBP^Z66^QBP^QBP\_Z66 Query Grammar - QBP Message Segments**

Segments	Description	HL7 Section Reference
MSH	Message Header Segment	2.15.9
[{SFT}]	Software Segment	
[UAC]	User Authentication Credential	2.14.13
QPD	Query Parameter Definition	5.5.4
RCP	Response Control Parameter	5.5.6

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For the segment pattern to be expected in the response to this query, see the definition of the ORU^R01 Message Structure in PCD TF-2, which is a specialization of the ORU^R01 Message Structure in HL7 Chapter 7, Section 7.3.1, ORU – Unsolicited Observation Message (Event R01), as follows:

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**Table A.2.3-3: Query Response Message Structure**

Segments	Description
MSH	Message Header
{{ SFT }}	Software Segment
[UAC]	User Authentication Credential
PID	Patient Identification
[PV1]	Patient Visit Information (for room bed)
OBR	Observation Request
{	<i>One group for each device being associated with patient identified in the PID</i>
OBX	Observation Result
{ PRT }	Participation – <i>One PRT segment for device, one for responsible person</i>
}	

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Note that this segment pattern, unlike some segment patterns, is not introduced by any “header” type extra segments, but instead is a straight sequenced of repeats of [PCD-17] messages reporting device-patient association events, filtered according to the query parameters. This implies that it should be the same connection as the query was sent from the Device-Patient Association Consumer to the Device-Patient Association Manager, so there can be no confusion with other messages not from this profile. Since there is no end indication in the message sequence, either, in the case of a bolus query getting current state information (see the discussion under the RCP segment, RCP-3), the Device-Patient Association Manager will close the connection initiated by the Device-Patient Association Consumer when all the data have been sent. A new connection must then be connected if and when another query is sent.

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### A.2.3.1 MSH Segment

As for transaction [PCD-01] in PCD TF-2 Appendix B.1, except that MSH-21 is valued as IHE\_PCD\_017^IHE PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.19^ISO.

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### A.2.3.2 QPD Segment

**Table A.2.3.2-1: QPD - Query Parameter Definition**

Mnemonic	Description	Type	Optionality	Length	Table	Repetition
QPD.1	Message Query Name	CE	Required	250	471	No
QPD.2	Query Tag	ST	Optional	32		No
QPD.3	User Parameters	VARIES	Optional	256		No
QPD.4	Action Code	ID			323	

**Table A.2.3.2-2: QPD Input Parameter Specification**

Field Seq (Query ID=Z99)	Name	LEN	DT	OPT	R/#	TBL	Segment Field Name	Element Name
1	MessageQueryName	60	CWE	R				MessageQueryName
2	QueryTag	32	ST	R				QueryTag
3	User Parameters		ID	0		033		ActionCode

**Table A.2.3.2-3: Identifiers for field, component, or subcomponent in QPD.3 User Parameters**

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FLD	ELEMENT NAME
PID.3.1	Patient Identifier List – ID number
PV1.3.1	Assignes Patient Location – Point of Care
PV1.3.2	Assigned Patient Location – Room
PV1.3.3	Assigned Patient Location – Bed
PRT.10	Participation Device
OBR.7	Observation Date/Time (start)
OBR.8	Observation End Date/Time

The QueryTag (QPD.2) is used to identify a query instance and therefore must be unique for each query.

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The User Parameters field (QPD.3) is used to specify “filtering” values, so that the query response can be limited to, for example, the records matching a particular Patient Identifier (by including a PID.3 specification), a particular device (by adding a Participation Device PRT specification) and so on. If multiple specifications are given, the responding system “AND”s the specifications together, so that for example, a patient identifier and a device identifier specification result in the response only gives associations involving that patient and device.

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The form of the User Parameters specifications in QPD.3 field uses one or more repetition of the CSC data type (separated by the HL7 repetition separator, by default the tilde character ~), one for each query parameter to be specified, with each repetition using the QSC data type. This data type takes the form of a component specifying the field, component, or subcomponent to filter on as @<seg>.<field number>.<component number>.<subcomponent number>, followed by a logical operator component (normally EQ for “equals”), and a component giving the value sought for that field. An example would be:

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@PID.3.1.1^EQ^MR123~@PRT.10^EQ^PUMP1

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This means limit the messages given in response to ones involving patient identifier MR123 and device identifier PUMP1.

The Device-Patient Association Manager is responsible for executing the search in accordance with the filters. The different query parameter filters are ANDed together, that is, only associations where all query parameters match the sought value will be sent by the Device-Patient Association Manager.

- 910 Where the association records have query parameter fields that are repeated (as for example where multiple patient identifiers of different Identifier Types, or multiple device identifiers of different Identifier Types, are present), the Device-Patient Association Manager will consider the association record matched and send it if any value present in any repeat of the repeated field matches the sought value without regard to the Identifier Type.

915 **A.2.4 RCP Segment**

**Table A.2.4-1: RCP - Response Control Parameter**

Field	Description	Type	Optionality	Length	Table	Repetition
1	Query Priority	ID	R	1	91	No
2	Query Limited Request		X			
3	Response Modality	CNE				
4	Execution and Deliver Time					
5	Modify Indicatory	ID				

**Table A.2.4-2: RCP Response Control Parameter Field Description and Commentary**

Field Seq (Query ID=Z99)	Name	Component Name	LEN	DT	Description
1	Query Priority		1	ID	Deferred / Immediate
2	Quantity Limited Request		10	CQ	Not applicable, this profile does not support continuation
3	Response Modality		60	CWE	<b>Real time or Batch. Default is R.</b>
5	Execution and Delivery Time			DTM	Only valued when RCP-1 Query Priority contains the value D (deferred)
6	Modify Indicator				

920 The possible values for RCP-1, Query Priority, are:

Value	Description	Comment
D	Deferred	
I	Immediate	

Quantity limited requests are not supported, so RCP-2 Quantity Limited Request value is not used.

925 The supported values of RCP-3 Response Modality are R (Real Time) or T (Bolus).

In bolus mode all the available associations are sent at once. A Device-Patient Association Manager supporting the Snapshot Option must support this mode. The Device-Patient Association Consumer wanting a continuous real-time feed of association events may need to make a bolus query first to get all existing associations meeting the desired filter specification to get the starting state.

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In real-time mode, association records are sent as they arrive at the Device-Patient Association Manager. A Device-Patient Association Manager supporting the Snapshot Option must support this mode of operation, and a Device-Patient Association Consumer supporting the Snapshot option must be able to process the segment pattern.

935 Because the segment pattern for real-time mode has no start or end indication, the Device-Patient Association Manager will signal the completion of a bolus query by closing the connection to the Device-Patient Association Consumer. The Device-Patient Association Consumer will then make a new connection for the real-time continuing query.

940 RCP-4 Execution and Delivery Time is required when RCP-1 contains the value of RCP-1 D (Deferred). It specifies when the response is to be returned.

RCP-5 Modify Indicator specifies whether a new subscription is being requested (value: N), or a modification is being made to an existing subscription (M). QPD-4 Action Code can signify the deletion of a subscription with a value of D.

### A.2.5 Cancelling a Subscription

945 A subscription may be explicitly cancelled by the Device-Patient Association Consumer by sending a QSX^J66^QSX\_J01 message, which is simply an MSH segment containing that string as MSH-9, followed by a QID segment identifying the subscription being cancelled with QID Query Identification Segment containing in field QID-1 the Query Tag (from QPD-2 of the original query establishing the subscription) and in QID-2 the Message Query Name (from QPD-1 of the original query). See Appendix Section A.4 Example Messages, example 4.

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## A.3 Register Device

These messages are used to report the introduction of a new device or the removal of a device to subscribing actors, including the Device Patient Association Manager.

955 As the list of devices available within the facility is best thought of as a master file, the HL7 Master File Notification paradigm is used. For lack of a better alternative, the PRT segment is used to convey device details. While most commonly used to indicate a device’s participation in an observation, it contains the necessary fields for device inventory and is used elsewhere in this profile.

### A.3.1 Message Structure

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**Table A.3.1-1: Report Device Patient Association**

Segments	Description
MSH	Message Header
[{ SFT }]	Software Segment
[UAC]	User Authentication Credential
MFI	Master File Identification
{	
MFE	Master File Entry
PRT	Participation
}	

MSH, SFT, and UAC Segments: Same as DEC Profile.

### A.3.2 Segments

#### A.3.2.1 MSH – Message Header

965 MSH-9 is valued to MFN^M14^MFN\_PRT

#### A.3.2.2 MFI – Master File Identification Segment

This segment identifies the master file as the Device Master.

**Table A.3.2.2-1: MFI Fields**

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
1	CWE	R		Master File Identifier – Value to INV (Inventory)
2	HD	O	Y	Master File Application Identifier – Value to “Device Registrant”
3	ID	R		File-Level Event Code – Value to UPD (Update)
6	ID	R		Response Level Code – Value to NE (No application level response needed)



### A.3.2.3 MFE – Master File Entry

970 This segment communicates the event corresponding to the device record.

**Table A.3.2.3-1: MFE Fields**

SEQ	DT	OPT	RP	Description
1	ID	R		Record-Level Event Code (see table below)
4	HD	R	Y	Primary Key Value (Hospital designated device identifier)
5	ID	R	Y	Primary Key Value Type (Value to CWE)
6	DTM	O		Entered Date/Time
7	DTM	O		Effective Date/Time

**Table A.3.2.3-2: Record Level Event Codes**

Value	Description
MAD	Device added to inventory list
MDL	Device deleted from inventory list
MUP	Device information updated
MDC	Device deactivated, but remains on inventory list
MAC	Deactivated device reactivated

### A.3.2.4. PRT – Participation Information Segment

975 The Participation Information Segment contains device information details. Use the PRT segment details as in Appendix Section 0.

## A.4 Example Messages

980 Example 1: At 12:00, Nurse Diesel connected patient Spaniel to a continuous physiological monitor with ID MON5588. At 12:30, she records the association on the Critical Care application. As she is an RN and has witnessed and entered the association on the Critical Care system, this is considered a validated association. This message would be sent from the Critical Care system in the role of Association Reporter to the Association Manager.

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```
MSH|^~\&|CritCare||AssocMgr||20160726123002||ORU^R01^ORU_R01|12d15a9|P|2.7||AL
|AL||8859/1||IHE_PCD_017^IHE_PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.17^ISO
PID||AB60001^^^A^PI||Spaniel^C^R^^^^L
PV1||E|3 WEST ICU^3001^1
OBR||15404652
OBX|1|CWE|68487^MDCX_ATTR_EVT_COND^MDC||0^MDCX_DEV_ASSOCIATE^MDC|||||F
PRT|1|UC||EQUIP|||||3 WEST ICU^3001^1|MON5588^^231A8456B1CB2366^EUI-
64|20160726120000
PRT|2|UC||RO|58793^Diesel^N||||3 WEST ICU^3001^1||20160726123000
```

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The Association Manager first responds with the following commit level acknowledgment.

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```
MSH|^~\&|AssocMgr||CritCare||20160726123002||ACK^R01^ACK||P|2.7
MSA|CA|12d15a9
```

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Once the association is fully processed, the Association Manager responds by initiating the following application level acknowledgment

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```
MSH|^~\&|AssocMgr||CritCare||20160726123003||ACK^R01^ACK|AM52E123|P|2.7||AL|NE
||8859/1||IHE_PCD_017^IHE_PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.17^ISO
MSA|AA|12d15a9
```

To which the Association Reporter responds with a commit level acknowledgement, completing the exchange.

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```
MSH|^~\&|CritCare||AssocMgr||20160726123003||ACK^R01^ACK||P|2.7
MSA|CA|AM52E123
```

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Example 2: At 16:00, Nurse Ratched connected patient McMurphy to a continuous physiological monitor with ID MON5596. She enters his patient ID on the monitor and presses a button causing the association to be asserted.

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MSH|^~\&|MonitorGateway||AssocMgr||20160726160000||ORU^R01^ORU_R01|12d1574|P|2.7||AL|AL||8859/1||IHE_PCD_017^IHE_PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.17^ISO
PID||AB60001^^^A^PI||McMurphy^R^P^^^^L
PV1||E|3 WEST ICU^3001^1
OBR||15404697
OBX|1|CWE|68487^MDCX_ATTR_EVT_COND^MDC||0^MDCX_DEV_ASSOCIATE^MDC||||R
PRT|1|UC||EQUIP|||||3 WEST ICU^3001^1|MON5588^^231A8456B1CB2366^EUI-64|20160726160000
PRT|1|UC||AUT|||||3 WEST ICU^3001^1|MON5588^^231A8456B1CB2366^EUI-64|20160726160000
```

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(Acknowledgment messages not shown)

The Association Manager may then broadcast this information to subscribers (such as Critical Care), or its clients (such as Critical Care) may query for this information, depending on how the systems are integrated.

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At 16:45, she confirms the association on the Critical Care application (or the Association Manager, depending on how the systems are integrated). This message would be sent from the Critical Care system in the role of Association Reporter to the Association Manager.

Example 3. A new monitor with hospital assigned key MON5588 is registered. It is located at 3 West ICU, Room 3001, Bed 1.

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```
MSH|^~\&|DeviceMaster||AssocMgr||20160726160000||MFN^M14^MFN_PRT|12d1574|P|2.7|
||AL|AL||8859/1||IHE_PCD_020^IHE_PCD^1.3.6.1.4.1.19376.1.6.4.20^ISO
MFI|INV|Device Registrant|UPD||||NE
MFE|MAD||MON5588|CWE
PRT|1|UC||EQUIP|||||3 WEST ICU^3001^1|MON5588^^231A8456B1CB2366^EUI-64|20160726160000
```

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Example 4. A device controller needs an ongoing feed of all devices connected to patient with identifier . The controller opens a subscription to the Device-Patient Association Manager to get a filtered device-patient information feed of the relevant data:

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```
MSH|^~\&|||MonitoringGateway||AssocMgr||QSB^Q66^QSB_Q16||P|2.8|
QPD|Q66^Device-Patient Subscription|Q0044|@PID.3.1^AB60001|
RCP|I||R|||N|
```

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The Device-Patient Association Manager responds by starting a continuous stream of Device-Patient Association [PCD-17] messages, starting with message(s) giving the current device

1060 associations of the patient (which will require the Device-Patient Association Manager to access that information and format it in [PCD-17] form).

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```
MSH|^~\&|MonitoringGateway|||COMWEST|||ORU^R01^ORU_R01|4409|P|2.8|
PID|||4567^^^MPI^MR|....
OBR|....
OBX|...
```

To cancel the subscription, the Device-Patient Association Consumer can send the following cancel message:

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```
MSH|
QID|Q0044|Q66^Device-Patient Subscription^HL7005|
```

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None