NeLH Development: content, technology, services

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The NeLH Programme will have four main sections - business, service delivery, communications/communities and development. Development covers the creation of original NeLH content - such as our guidelines and pathways database and NSF zones - and our technical strategy to provide flexible and joined-up knowledge services across a range of content sources, working with our major third-party content providers. This also involves working with our partners in the NHS (including NHS Direct and nhs.uk) to build an integrated National Knowledge Service, as announced in the government's response to the Kennedy Report [1,2], and to bring knowledge closer to its users by connecting NeLH content to personal health records.

The presentation will explain NeLH's current policy on metadata and search, including XML schema policy for guidelines and care pathways and the organisation of distributed search services. It will describe how NeLH is introducing the use of rdf for distributed web services about news and events.

The presentation will discuss NeLH's role in relation to national and international standards communities, including our current involvement in an EPR project which is applying the new generation of XML-based international standards for EPR-EDI, and our plans for coded tagging of clinical terms in national knowledge sources. The talk will finally report briefly on NeLH's dialogue with its colleagues in NLM and the prospects for USA-UK partnership in health knowledge service delivery.

References


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