Changes Proposed to MedBiquitous Curriculum Inventory (CI) Standards

The MedBiquitous Curriculum Inventory (CI) standards are the foundation of the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) CI. There are numerous aspects of the CI which are determined and constrained by the standards, including:

- The AAMC CI Business Rules,
- Reports,
- Data analysis and interpretation,
- Data quality issues and measures,
- Research questions

A review of the standards facilitates the health and longevity of the AAMC CI, and enhancements for the CI will be best positioned by looking to the standards. The current MedBiquitous CI standards are available on our Resources for Developers webpage.

It is a considerable effort for medical schools, their software systems, and CI participating vendors to meet the CI standards and rules, and so any change must be planned thoughtfully. Please note that no changes to the CI standards are going into effect for the August 2020 data collection.

Beginning in summer 2018, the AAMC CI undertook a review of the MedBiquitous CI standards.

When the standards were first published in 2012, they had not yet been implemented and so there was no data available to refer to. As with any data collection effort, it is expected that regular review will show to what degree the standards played out as expected or collected the data as desired. After composing the proposed changes based on data, member and vendor feedback, and literature, the proposals were vetted with internal AAMC stakeholders, CI Committee members, and CI participating vendors. AAMC also acquired MedBiquitous during this review.

Please view the list of proposed changes here. The proposed changes included:

- Data to no longer collect
- Data to collect differently
- Some new fields for data
- Vocabulary changes
The proposed changes were shared with MedBiquitous in summer 2019, after which they undertook a review and have voted on the proposed changes. The voting decisions are now available for public comment.

**If you have thoughts about the CI standards (what is useful, what should be changed, etc.), this is an opportunity to share your opinion.** You can leave a public comment by going to [this MedBiquitous site](#) and creating an account. Once on the CI standards page, you can scroll to the bottom of the page. Your use of helpful and constructive language is appreciated. Please note that not all the proposed changes were approved by MedBiquitous. **At this stage in the process, no action is required from schools or vendors** – we are sharing this information with you both to keep you informed, and to give you the opportunity to share your ideas about the CI standards.

As always, if you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to [ci@aamc.org](mailto:ci@aamc.org).

Onward!

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