TERMS OF REFERENCE
‘Harnessing Big Data’ SIG
Global Steering Committee

1. Overview

1.1. The mission of the International Hospital Federation (IHF) is to contribute to better health for all people around the world through the advancement of performant and well-managed healthcare organizations and facilities. Successful hospitals and healthcare systems are those who can harness the power of data and analytics to improve performance and operational efficiency without compromising quality of care.

1.2. To support our Members with this agenda, the IHF has established a Special Interest Group (SIG), on the imperatives and advantages of harnessing big data and analytics to improve performance in healthcare systems. The ‘Harnessing Big Data’ SIG will produce exclusive thought-leadership products, real-world case studies and instructional tools for C-level leaders in hospitals and health service providers.

2. Scope

2.1. The Steering Committee is responsible for the long-term success of the Special Interest Group. Its specific objectives include:
   - Developing and holding ownership of a detailed, multi-year work plan for the SIG, to include measurable objectives and indicators of success.
   - Providing guidance and direction on the group’s chosen thematic areas of work across the agenda of big data and analytics.
   - Holding strategic oversight and responsibility for the successful realisation of high-quality thought-leadership products.

3. Membership Composition

3.1. The Steering Committee will comprise:
   - A selection of IHF Full and Premier Associate Members
   - A named representative from Vizient
   - Named representatives of the IHF Secretariat (including the IHF CEO)

3.2. IHF Members, Partners and Industry Experts can be co-opted by the Steering Committee on a case-by-case basis to provide specialist knowledge on specific topic areas, according to the needs of the Special Interest Group.

3.3. Current Members of the Global Steering Committee will serve from January 2022 to December 2023.

3.4. If a Global Steering Committee Member cannot attend a meeting, then they are permitted to send on a deputy in their place.
4. Governance

4.1. The IHF Secretariat will oversee the general management of the Steering Committee, including coordinating meetings. The quorum for Steering Committee meetings shall be half of its membership. The IHF will conduct periodic reviews of the Steering Committee Membership to ensure that it reflects the needs of the SIG.

4.2. The Steering Committee will primarily be requested to prepare for and participate in bi-monthly meetings (or as frequently as the work of the SIG requires).