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- Provide real-time plug-and-play interoperability for patient-connected medical devices
- Facilitate the efficient exchange of vital signs and medical device data, acquired at the point-of-care, in all health care environments

This amendment extends the nomenclature originally defined by the base IEEE Std 11073-10101:2004 nomenclature standard. It reflects the continued innovation in medical device and system design for the past decade and is based on a highly successful collaboration with the following organizations:

- Integrating the Healthcare Enterprise (IHE) Patient Care Devices (PCD) domain
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This nomenclature amendment includes significant extensions to support:

- haemodynamics
- respiratory, ventilation and anesthesia monitoring
- blood gas, urine, fluid chemistry and other fluid-related metrics
- neurology
- units of measurements and measurement sites
- new medical device types, including infant warmers and incubators

This amendment also provides:

- formal definitions for observation identifiers used by IEEE 11073 Personal Health Devices
- attributes for reporting medical device regulatory and certification status
- attributes to support alert communication
- attributes to support accurate medical device time synchronization and timekeeping

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**discriminators:** A mechanism to provide additional semantic refinement to multiple base terms.

**domain information model (DIM):** The model describing common concepts and relationships for a problem domain.

**electronic health records:** A longitudinal collection of electronic health information about individual patients or populations. It is a record in digital format that is capable of being shared within or across different health care settings by being embedded in network-connected enterprise-wide information system.

**reference ID (REFID):** A unique, symbolic, and programmatic form for the term. The form is correlated to the context-free code (i.e., terms are by definition context-free with respect to all other terms); in this standard, terms are prefixed with “MDC” for consistency.

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**terminology:** A synonym for nomenclature.

## 5. Symbols (and abbreviated terms)

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DIM	domain information model
ECG	electrocardiogram
HL7	Health Level Seven
ID	identifier

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MDC	Medical Device Communication
PCHA	Personal Connected Health Alliance (formerly Continua Health Alliance)
PHD	IEEE 11073 Personal Health Device series of communication standards, including the IEEE Std 11073-20601 base standard and -104XX Device Specializations
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