

## *Guiding principles (1)*

We will prioritize activities based upon a balance of necessary OHT infrastructure and member organizational needs

Not every OHT architectural element will support every stakeholder.

OHT's architecture will fully support the development of products and toolkits that support both business needs and foster healthcare community interoperability.

Don't re-invent wheels. We will draw on previous work whenever appropriate.

## *Guiding principles (2)*

OHT products should address clearly scoped objectives and be based on atomic or indivisible elements which may be combined to provide cohesive, broader services

Keep it simple and "good enough" (Meet the business need, do not seek perfection).

OHT processes shall recognize that artifacts will require technical corrections that do not need reassessment by the group

OHT architecture quality will be determined on the value it brings to its members

## *Guiding principles (3)*

The Architecture Council will, through cooperation and coordination, facilitate progress of board-approved projects.

Our primary product is working code

No group will have more fun doing

**meaningful work than OHT.**  
\*"Steal" from HSP, whose death this was in the first place, and used with permission.

# ***Modus Operandi Architecture Council***

We shall always strive for consensus

We will create an environment of professional respect

We will seek to maintain a “high trust” environment

We will be responsive to business needs of its members

Technical corrections do not require group validation

We will do its work publicly

We will seek expediency and efficacy in process

Members will agree to abide by decisions reached

We will follow its documented processes