



**Position Statement**  
**on**  
**HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**  
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The American Academy of Dermatology Association supports the development of interoperable health information technology standards. The goal of adoption and use of electronic health record systems is to improve the safety and enhance the quality of patient care. Portable and secure electronic health records will enable dermatologists and patients to access point of care information as well as provide for better coordination of patient care through sharing of information with other physicians. The Academy supports incentives that promote the voluntary adoption of affordable and reliable health information technology solutions.