Standards Topics/Actions for

Strategic Vision

1. Maintaining multiple lines of specifications and controlled vocabularies (Strategic Plan)
   1. Offering stable specifications and controlled vocabularies (reference Work Products)

Actions:

* Define what changes constitute which types of versions, describe process
* Identify and evaluate requirements/new features from users
* Write and publish information about relationship of product lines and the suitability for purpose (after realization of policy)
  1. Enable DDI specs to adapt to changes in information technologies and bindings (XML, RDF, Schema, …)

Actions:

* Identify and evaluate requirements/requests from developer community for new bindings, etc. for all production lines
* Maintain the information model independent of specific technologies
  1. Production testing/validation for quality assurance
     1. Includes assessment of the roundtrip of DDI4 metadata between the multiple bindings
     2. Includes support for migration from DDI 2 to 3 to 4. (Mapping, Best practice paper, Rationale for upgrade)

Actions:

* Identify process for validation/QA
* Document/specify validation rules
* Develop needed tools and materials for testing and validation
  1. Improve documentation/examples/best practices guidelines

Actions:

* Identify areas where materials are needed, prioritize
* Develop and distribute materials in line with consistent templates/structure

Priority: 1

1. Introduce validation tools, testing support, and profiles/views for users for the purpose of interoperability
   1. Test cases, test bed, test harness
   2. Rules for validation/reporting

Actions:

* Develop needed materials, tools, and documentation

Priority: 2

1. Registries-repositories
   1. Specify DDI's vision of building DDI into Common Data Element registries (Strategic Plan & Vision)
   2. Identify ways for establishing registries for supporting existing legacy DDI metadata
   3. Develop standard query and exchange protocols/interfaces

Actions:

* Establish criteria/process for publication in CDE registry (may apply to legacy metadata holdings)
* Specify needed protocols
* Document the role of the CDE registry and metadata repositories
* George: Engage RDA in leadership role re: interfaces/services & functions?

Priority: 3

Definition of Priorities

1 = Critical part of primary mission

2 = Very high priority

3 = High priority

4 = Medium priority

5 = Low priority