American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA)
Commitment Statement

The leading professional association for informaticians, the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) has more than 5,500 members from 65-plus countries. As the professional home for the top biomedical and health informatics professionals, AMIA and its members play a key role in assessing the effect of health innovations on health policy and advancing the field of informatics. The association actively supports five domains in informatics: translational bioinformatics, clinical research informatics, clinical informatics, consumer health informatics, and public health informatics.

AMIA is dedicating its resources to clinician wellbeing through the AMIA 25x5 Task Force working to reduce documentation burden. The AMIA 25x5 Task Force leverages the collective expertise of key stakeholders in healthcare, industry, and policy to prioritize and implement the calls to action and recommendations established by the 25x5 Symposium. The AMIA 25x5 Task Force mission is to reduce U.S. health professionals’ documentation burden to 25% of current state within five years by optimizing and spreading across the U.S. health system impactful solutions that decrease non-value-added documentation and leverage partnerships and advocacy with health systems, professional societies, and public/private sector organizations.

The AMIA 25x5 Task Force is structured around four workstreams: Health Professional/Systems, Health Technology Requirements, Policy/Advocacy, and Impact. Since the initial task force kick-off meeting on April 14, 2022, the task force has accomplished several key short-term goals including:

- publication of the new 25x5 Toolkit to guide organizations through the process of reducing documentation burden;
- clarified 25x5 technology priorities for vendors and begun developing a roadmap of near term, intermediate and long-term priorities to reduce burden; hosted a Pitch Event and winning innovating solutions will be included in the roadmap; conducted an EHR Vendor education intervention in which participating vendors aggregated and shared training and educational resources to identify unnecessary duplicate data entry and highlight available functionality and tools that reduce documentation burden;
- conducted an environmental scan of existing efforts to reduce documentation burden, nominated documentation burden as a topic for new evidence review to AHRQ (accepted March 2023), and collaborated with key regulatory agencies and accreditation groups to identify areas to support and to understand any gaps. Examples include, responding to the Office of the Surgeon General advisory, Addressing Health Worker Burnout; agreed to be a network organization for the National Academy of Medicine’s National Plan for Health Workforce Well-Being; and serve as an endorsing organization for the Regulatory Relief Coalition’s bill, The Improving Seniors’ Timely Access to Care Act of 2021.

Ongoing and future AMIA 25x5 Task Force work includes publishing a standardized definition of documentation burden to further clarify how the task force measures documentation burden and monitors progress in reducing burden; creating a national collaborative to bring health professionals and health systems utilizing the Toolkit together to identify and share effective interventions; publication of a roadmap of HIT initiatives to reduce documentation burden, advocating for documentation burden research funding and advocating with vendors and regulators to implement systemic interventions to support providers and health systems in reducing documentation burden.