



## **Release note\***

### **NASH Concept of Operations V1.0**

**December 03, 2012**

## **Summary**

### **Background**

The purpose of the NASH Concept of Operations is to provide an overview of the National Authentication Service for Health (NASH) by;

- Describing the current state of healthcare authentication
- Describing the NASH so that key stakeholders can visualise how it should be used and how it should work
- Documenting key concepts and their usage
- Illustrating the impact on today's situation.

Information on the current progress towards fulfilment of the Concept of Operations will be carried through in the NASH Business Use Cases and NASH Service Catalogue documents.

### **Release rationale**

This is first public release of the NASH Concept of Operations. It will serve to communicate the purpose and intent of the NASH to the wider Australian Healthcare Community prior to commencing operations.

### **Scope**

The NASH Concept of Operations covers, in general, the expected authentication services that will be provided by the NASH and how they will be accessed. It is not a comprehensive description of any particular release of the NASH. Actual implementations of the NASH may differ, based on individual requirements as the NASH is designed, built and operated.

### **Package inclusions**

The release consists of:

- NASH Concept of Operations Release Note (this document)
- NASH Concept of Operations Version 1.0

### **Release history**

This is the first public release of the NASH Concept of Operations.

### **Stakeholders**

The following stakeholders have been involved in the development of this release:

- DoHA
- DHS Medicare
- NASH Architecture Workshop Participants – States and Territories Health Departments

## **Audience**

The NASH Concept of Operations should be read and understood by:

- Reference groups and committees that advise or oversee the design and policy frameworks within which NASH is intended to operate. This includes:
  - National Health Chief Information Officer Forum (NHCIOF)
  - NASH Governance Authority (GA)
  - Identification Authentication and Access Reference Group (IAARG)
  - Clinical Leads Unit
  - Other relevant NEHTA reference groups
  - Australian Government Information Management Office (AGIMO)
- It may also be valuable to others in eHealth spaces that have an interest in the overall eHealth program, including:
  - Chief Information Officers
  - Program and Product managers
  - Business analysts
  - Consultants
  - Software developers
  - Policy officers
  - Standards bodies
  - Clinical representatives
  - Healthcare consumer representatives
  - Health informaticians
  - Professional bodies
  - Potential builders, operators and users of e-health systems.

While this document may have a broader application, it is directed at the community identified above.

## **Capabilities**

This is the first release of the NASH Concept of Operations.

## **Support**

For support with any aspect of the NASH Concept of Operations, or to provide feedback, please email [nehtasupport@nehta.gov.au](mailto:nehtasupport@nehta.gov.au) with a subject line of "NASH Service".

## **Future releases**

This is intended to be the first and only release of the NASH Concept of Operations - a statement of the original vision and design intent behind the NASH. It is not intended to be a living document. As the NASH goes through design and build and then into production the state of the NASH will be described in alternative documents such as the NASH Business Use Cases and the NASH Service Catalogue.

*\* December 3, 2012 – Support email address updated in this Release Note.*