# CSTE/CDC Joint ELR Task Force Organization and Workgroup Charge

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Facilitate the reporting of electronic laboratory data to public health agencies throughout the U.S. by:

1. Harmonizing existing ELR Messaging and Vocabulary Standards to reduce variations.
2. Providing guidance with regard to the implementation of ELR Messaging and Vocabulary Standards

***Standards Workgroup***
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***ELR MU Workgroup***
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To develop a strategic plan for coordination and communication among states, CDC and the Office of the National Coordinator for Heath Information Technology (ONC).

1. Develop standards-compliant and efficient approach for LIS vendors interfacing with PH
2. Build on work with large national labs to ensure full implementation of ELR
3. Get LIS software solutions to include appropriate ELR standards in their products prior to certification

***LIS Vendors & Large Lab Workgroup***
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***Legal Considerations Workgroup***
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Charged with
a) identifying key legal issues surrounding the implementation of ELR in the states,
b) researching how selected states with illustrative or generalizable experiences have coped with such legal issues, and
c) based on information acquired and if appropriate, considering whether law-related products or tools useful to states regarding legal issues should be developed in the future

***Resource Needs & Assessment Workgroup***
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Charged with articulating what resources are needed to implement local/state ELR.

**Note**

Each workgroup includes 10-25 members from CSTE, APHL and CDC, members are not listed due to space constraints.