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ISO/IEEE 11073 standards enable communication between medical devices and external computer systems. This document uses the optimized framework created in IEEE Std 11073-20601-2015^a and describes a specific, interoperable communication approach for glucose meters. These standards align with and draw on the existing clinically focused standards to provide support for communication of data from clinical or personal health devices.

^aFor information on references, see Clause 2.

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1.2 Purpose

This standard addresses the need for an openly defined, independent standard that support information exchange to and from personal health devices and compute engines (e.g., cell phones, personal computers, personal health appliances, and set top boxes). Interoperability is key to growing the potential market for these devices and enabling people to be better informed participants in the management of their health.