



WHY does the AAO want you to know IHE?

Safety and Efficiency for your practice.

IHE Eye Care **Strategies** are to provide specifications, testing and education in support of open-source, safe and secure data exchange between devices, software, providers and institutions.

What does AAO provide through IHE Eye Care to support your practice?

We take real-world clinical workflows and clinical processes – things you do every day - and apply health IT standards, like HL7 or DICOM, to improve efficiency, quality and safety of data use. Improving how your instruments and software work together, both within your office and with organizations outside of your office, is essential. It's not good enough for a vendor to just use the standards. They must be tailored to the eye care clinic needs.

How can you know that everything will work together?

IHE Eye Care provides the venue for vendors to test their products. This is a multiple vendor event, where multiple companies work together to test against real-world scenarios encountered in an eye care clinic. Vendors testing with vendors. This AAO sponsored event is called the **IHE Eye Care Connectathon**.

How does this lead to success in the clinic?

Follow the IHE Eye Care guidelines, purchase tested devices and software, use the right workflows to fit your clinic, and you'll see an improvement in efficiency, quality and safety of data. Safe, reliable data that is available wherever and whenever it is needed.

Did your vendors participate in the **Connectathon**?

Are your instruments or software IHE Eye Care tested?

Your success is our best result.

Look for more helpful information in future AAO IHE Eye Care newsletters.