Currently 211 LA is …

- ***Working with its licensed vendors*** to enable integration of the 211HSIS API within their applications. This includes 211 LA making available a sandbox and other developer tools to facilitate integration activities.
- ***Preparing a new 211HSIS Taxonomy License (for licensed users) and 211HSIS Subscription Agreement (for 211HSIS users)***   We expect these agreements to be ready to share with subscribers and users in the October 2023 timeframe.
- **On-track** with development activities to launch the new 211HSIS Website in January 2024:

  In-progress: Licensed vendors completing required development work related to API
  Oct 2023: Provide licensed vendors/users new 211HSIS API and License Agreement
  Oct - Dec 2023: Execute new 211HSIS API and License Agreement with stakeholders
  Nov 2023: Establish a production API environment
  Dec 2023: Confirm readiness of licensed vendors and users to receive 211HSIS via API
  Jan 2024: Launch the production API for all licensed vendors and users .. *the ability to download the 211HSIS via XML will be discontinued in this timeframe*

What action do you need to take …

- *If you currently access the Taxonomy through a licensed vendor application*, you will only need to renew your Taxonomy subscription and acknowledge the new subscription agreement. Your vendor will complete the technical activities to integrate the API with their application.
- *If you currently download the Taxonomy via XML and then upload into an application other than one provided by a licensed vendor*, you will need to become a licensed user including signing the new 211HSIS API and License Agreement to integrate the API with your application. If you would like access to the Taxonomy sandbox to assist in your development activities, please send your request to:

  211HSISAPITransition@211la.org

  Once we receive your request, we will send you a sandbox agreement to complete

- If you have any other questions regarding the Taxonomy API, please send an email to:

  211HSISAPITransition@211la.org

For those using the APIs, when you should utilize the APIs in your system …

- The 211HSIS APIs are only relevant during the curation process, when an end user is attempting to use the 211HSIS Taxonomy for classification purposes. The expectation is that a Licensed API User will call the 211HSIS APIs when an end user is looking for the correct HSIS Taxonomy term(s) with which to index a resource. Once the term(s) has/have been selected, the Licensed API User will store the classification information locally on the curated resource record.
  - Storing the name and code of the 211HSIS Taxonomy term(s) indexed to a particular resource does not violate the 211HSIS agreement

- The APIs are not involved during the search process, when an end user is attempting to find relevant resources based upon a keyword or location.
  - The exception being if end users need to search the 211HSIS Taxonomy or view a large chunk of the 211HSIS Taxonomy to find the keyword. Those functions would call the 211HSIS APIs. Then resource search with the chosen keyword would be run after.
- The APIs provide a mechanism for obtaining the latest, up-to-date information on any term in the HSIS Taxonomy so that the curation process can be as accurate and timely as possible. Licensed API Users are free to call the APIs as often or as infrequently as they like, depending on their (or their customers) own internal curation process and needs.