

Information Standards Notice – Change

Acting under delegated authority from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Data Alliance Partnership Board (DAPB) has approved a change to an existing information standard for publication under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

You must comply with the change to this standard by the full conformance date specified below.

Standard details	
DAPB unique identifier	DAPB1533 Amd 20/25
Name	Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy Data set (SACT), Version 4.0
Approval date	24 June 2025
Publication date	14 July 2025
Standard definition	
Description	<p>SACT is the national standard for reporting systemic anti cancer therapy treatments for the NHS in England. The NDRS are responsible for the ongoing maintenance, development, and implementation. The data set relates to all cancer patients, both adult and paediatric, in acute inpatient and outpatient settings, but does not include private patients or primary care.</p> <p>The SACT Information Standard addresses the requirement to standardise the recording of SACT treatment and outcomes through electronic systems.</p>
About this change	<p>This version change has been through a rigorous 9-month clinical review and a further ‘formal’ 4-week consultation (in November 2024).</p> <p>This has enabled specialist groups, including Children Teenage and Young Adult (CTYA) experts to have their clinical and technical input on the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the future direction of the data set • review existing data items for clinical accuracy • the addition of new important data, that mirrors currently clinical practice and terminology <p>In addition, all data items were cross referenced with other major data sets to ensure wherever possible data can be linked, whilst maintaining high levels of ascertainment and quality but reducing the burden of data collection.</p>

Scope (Health and Social Care Act 2012)	NHS Services
Impacts upon	Implementation of this information standard impacts all staff groups involved in responding to the standard including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • medical and nursing • pharmacy • information • IT • management staff
Legal authority	This information standard is published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
Link to further documentation	The Change Request, Specification and Implementation Guide are available at Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy (SACT) data set - NDRS under downloads.
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Dates	
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