

Data Alliance Partnership Board (DAPB) Notification



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Information Standards

[DAPB4017 Pathology Test and Results Standard, Version 1.0](#)

This new information standard has been introduced to help standardise information exchanged between clinical pathology laboratories and laboratory information systems and enable the sharing of pathology results across the NHS, and across care settings and organisational boundaries.

Applies to:

- all pathology laboratories (both NHS and independent sector)
- all users of laboratory information management systems
- all recipients, and users, of pathology data in primary, secondary, community and social care settings
- all health and care providers using pathology services
- all commissioners of pathology services.

Implementation and conformance dates:

- implementation of this information standard has an immediate start date and any updates in the pathology domain must be made with regard to this standard
- given the wide-ranging impact of the standard, no final conformance date is set as much depends on system maturity, supplier release timetables and capacity within the NHS to make the required changes.

The Information Standards Notice (ISN) provides an overview of the standard:

- [Information Standards Notice](#)

[DAPB4000 Patient Level Information and Costing Systems \(PLICS\) Integrated Data Set, 2020-2021](#)

The PLICS Integrated Data Set covers patient level activity and financial data relating to acute, mental health and Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) services within England. A consolidation of last year's collections, this combined specification makes several changes, for example in relation to:

- PLICS extract matching identifier (PLEMI) for mental health
- Supplementary Information feed in mental health trusts
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- paediatric and neonatal critical care
- continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) and bilevel positive airway pressure (BiPAP) devices
- COVID-19 costs.

Applies to:

- designated providers of acute, mental health and IAPT services, as agreed with NHS England and NHS Improvement.

Implementation and conformance dates:

- the submission window opens on 6 September 2021 for the data relating to the 2020-2021 financial year. The submission window closes on 29 October 2021.

The Information Standards Notice (ISN) provides an overview of the standard:

- [Information Standards Notice](#)

DAPB4001 Patient Level Information and Costing Systems (PLICS) Ambulance Data Set, 2020-2021

The PLICS Ambulance Data Set covers patient level activity and financial data relating to ambulance activity (such as call handling, dispatch, time on scene and patient handover) and associated financial data for all incidents going through 999 call centres or dispatch centres within England. This release introduces minor changes, including the removal of legacy code values relating to Call Category and updates to the existing data items 'Organisation identifier of handover destination' and 'Organisation identifier (Code of Provider)'.

Applies to:

- designated providers of ambulance services, as agreed with NHS England and NHS Improvement.

Implementation and conformance dates:

- the submission window opens on 6 September 2021 for the data relating to the 2020-2021 financial year. The submission window closes on 29 October 2021.

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Consultations

We provide details of data and technology consultations which may be of interest to our subscribers. Note that the documents which support these consultations have not yet been reviewed nor endorsed by the DAPB.

Mental health clinically-led review of standards

NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSEI) is consulting on proposed new mental health access standards, including the introduction of five new waiting time guarantees to improve patient access to mental health services. NHSEI is seeking feedback on the proposals from all users, including the public, wider stakeholders, and other interested organisations

Closing date: 1 September 2021

[Find out more and take part](#)

NHSX EPR experience survey 2021 – Mental Health and Community

NHSX is seeking feedback from users who have professional experience of electronic patient record (EPR) system(s), to understand EPR user experience. Views are sought from clinicians working in mental health, community health and ambulance settings only, but a further survey will be launched by NHSX later in 2021 to capture the views of clinicians in acute hospital settings.

Closing date: 10 September 2021

[Find out more and take part](#)

Proposal for NHS Race Equality Strategy: engagement for all NHS workers

NHSEI is consulting on proposals for a long-term race equality strategy which would 'establish standards for advancing race equality, eliminating discrimination and fostering good relations'. All NHS workers, including NHS staff, bank and agency staff, healthcare students and care workers, are invited to contribute and share their thoughts.

Closing date: 12 September 2021

[Find out more and take part](#)

Pelvic Floor Registry

NHS Digital is consulting on the Pelvic Floor Registry data collection (part of the Surgical Devices and Implants Information system) which is 'designed to collect historic and current

surgical device and implant data directly from NHS and private healthcare providers in the UK'.

Feedback is sought from all interested users on the data set and frequency of data submission, the risks and challenges of implementation and the benefits of the data collection.

Closing date: 12 September 2021

[Find out more and take part](#)

Kind regards,
Data Standards Assurance Service
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