

# Data Provision Notice

## NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC) Funded Care Report

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## Background

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 (the Act) gives the Health and Social Care Information Centre, now known as [NHS Digital](#) and hereafter referred to by this name, statutory powers, under section 259(1), to require data from health or social care bodies, or organisations that provide health or adult social care in England, where it has been Directed to establish an information system by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care or NHS England.

The data, as specified by NHS Digital in this published Data Provision Notice, is required to support a direction from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to NHS Digital. Therefore, organisations that are in scope of the notice are legally required, under section 259(5) of the Act, to provide the data in the form and manner specified below.

The data was previously collected into Unify 2 under the commencement order from NHS England but is now being collected under a Secretary of State for Health and Social Care direction for NHS Digital to migrate and continue to collect the data.

## Purpose of the collection

The purpose of the collection is for NHS England to monitor application of the National Framework and to be assured of compliance with the NHS England Operating Model and Assurance Framework for NHS Continuing Healthcare (NHS CHC). The collection supports a number of frameworks and key work programmes, such as the NHS CHC Operating Model and Assurance Framework, and the Strategic Improvement Programme (which aims to achieve 0.8 billion efficiency savings in CHC by 2020).

The information on the CHC collection also links into hospital discharge work. The collection includes a metric on percentage of assessments carried out in an acute hospital setting, and links into a quality premium to reduce acute assessments in order to support effective hospital discharge and assessment in the right time and right place.

The collection also provides data required for assessing Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) performance against a second quality premium on the number of cases with a decision by the CCG within 28 days from receipt of the checklist (or other notification of potential eligibility).

## Benefits of the collection

The data collected are published each quarter. The benefits include:

- Assurance of CCGs within each Region
- Identify outliers / warranted and unwarranted variation
- Provide base dataset for CHC dashboard and other analyses
- Means to measure success against CHC quality premium

## Legal basis for the collection, analysis, publication and dissemination

NHS Digital has been directed by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care under section 254 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012; to establish and operate a system for the migration and continued operation for the collection and analysis of the information specified for this service. A copy of the Direction is published here:

<https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/directions-and-data-provision-notice/secretary-of-state-directions/the-migration-and-continued-operation-of-the-unify2-collections-through-the-strategic-data-collections-service-direction-2017>

This information is required by NHS Digital under section 259(1)(a) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

In line with section 259(5) of the Act, all organisations in scope, in England, must comply with the requirement and provide information to NHS Digital in the form, manner and period specified in this Data Provision Notice.

This Notice is issued in accordance with the procedure published as part of NHS Digital duty under section 259(8).

## Persons consulted

Following receipt of a direction to establish and operate a system for the migration and continued operation to collect NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC) Funded Care Report, NHS Digital has, as required under section 258 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, consulted with the following persons:

- NHS England - the organisation that issued the original direction (under the commencement order).
- Department for Health and Social Care – the organisation from which the current Direction was issued to NHS Digital.
- Data providers - consulted regarding the use of the Strategic Data Collections Service (SDCS) platform.

NHS England has also consulted providers regarding changes to the Unify platform as part of on-going work with NHS Digital.

## Scope of the collection

Under section 259(1)(a) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, this Notice is served in accordance with the procedure published as part of the NHS Digital duty under section 259(8) on the following persons:

- Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and Commissioning Support Units (CSUs) (CCGs on behalf of CSUs)

Under section 259(5) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 the organisation types specified in the above Scope must comply with the Form, Manner and Period requirements below:

## Form of the collection

There is no patient level information included in this collection. Only aggregated activity data are collected.

Data are collected quarterly and cover CCGs in England. The data release includes: number eligible for NHS CHC, incomplete referrals over 28 days, personal health budgets, number of new referrals, number of referrals completed, number of referrals completed within 28 days, number of assessments completed, number assessed as eligible/not eligible, number no longer eligible, assessment conversion rate, referral conversion rate and number of Decision Support Tools (DSTs) completed in acute/non-acute setting and NHS-funded Nursing Care activity.

## Manner of the collection

This data will now be collected via the NHS Digital web-based system, Strategic Data Collection Service (SDCS), instead of Unify 2.

The pro forma template should be completed by the submitting organisation and uploaded to NHS Digital via the SDCS online data collection platform.

Further information is available here: <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/strategic-data-collection-service-sdcs>

## Period of the collection

This is an quarterly ongoing collection.

For example for April the timeframes were as follows:

- Collection start date: 3rd April 2018 (Q4 17/18 data collection)
- First submission date: 16th April 2018
- Subsequent submission dates: Quarter-end plus 10 working days
- Publication dates: Quarter-end plus 6 weeks

## Data quality

There are both front-end and back-end validation checks on the data submitted.

In addition, a Data quality statement is included in the quarterly publication, see 'NHS CHC and FNC Report Q4 2017-18' pdf on Publication website:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/nhs-chc-fnc/2017-18/>

## Burden of the collection

### Steps taken by NHS Digital to minimise the burden of collection

In seeking to minimise the burden it imposes on others, in line with sections 253 (2a) and 265(3) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, NHS Digital has an assessment process to validate and challenge the level of burden incurred through introducing new information standards, collections and extractions.

This assurance is carried out by the Data Standards and Assurance Service (DSAS) which assures burden assessment evidence provided as part of the overarching Data Coordination Board (DCB) process. The DCB, acting under authority of the Secretary of State, oversees the assurance and approval of information standards, data collections and data extractions for the health and social care system in England.

The assessments are ongoing for all former Unify2 collections that are moving onto the SDCS platform and will be published in the next version of this data provision notice.

### Help us to identify inappropriate collections

NHS Digital's Challenging Burden Service (CBS) offers a Collection Referral Service which is a simple and confidential way to allow data providers to refer data collections they feel would benefit from further scrutiny.

For more details and information on how to refer a collection, please visit:

<https://digital.nhs.uk/services/the-challenging-burden-service/collection-referral-service>

### Help us to improve this product

We are continually looking at ways to improve the products that we provide to our customers. By taking a few minutes to complete the following questions you will help us to improve future DPNs.

To complete the short survey, please visit:

<https://nhs-digital.citizenspace.com/rocr/ef5cf941>

#### For further information

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