

# Data Coordination Board

## Information Standards Notice – Change

Acting under delegated authority from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Data Coordination Board (DCB) has approved a change to an 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	
DCB unique identifier	DCB3009 Amd 11/2020
Name	Healthy Child Programme, Phase 2: Interoperability
Approval date	25 September 2020
Publication date	8 October 2020
Standard definition	
Description	<p>The purpose of this information standard is to facilitate the sharing of standardised data between health care providers, parent(s) and carer(s) for all children, as described by the Healthy Child Programme. This will ensure that all appropriate stakeholders have access to consistent data structure and content to aid direct care decision making.</p> <p>In November 2016, NHS England published <a href="#">Healthy Children: Transforming Child Health Information</a>, a digital strategy describing how child health information can be made more accessible to support parents and professionals in their care for children and young people, and how that same information can be used to promote their health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The central theme of the strategy is to improve interoperability and exchange of key pieces of health information to support two main objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• knowing where every child is and how healthy they are</li><li>• appropriate access to information for all involved in the care of children.</li></ul> <p>The standard supporting this strategy is being introduced on a phased basis:</p> <p>Phase 1 of the information standard was published in December 2018. Developed by the Professional Record Standards Body (PRSB), in collaboration with NHS Digital, it set out a record specification to ensure a standardised format and use of data at a local level by all appropriate providers and their suppliers. Full conformance for Phase 1 was due by 30 June 2020.</p>

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	<p>Phase 2, the subject of this ISN, introduces the mechanisms for sharing of this standardised data across providers, for example to improve the efficiency of information exchange between health visiting, primary care and school nursing.</p> <p>The standard also provides a foundation for digital personal child health records, using new infrastructure and messaging to provide interoperability for digital personal child health records (DPCHR) to supplement or replace paper Redbooks, making it easier for families to hold online records for their children and access them via smartphones, laptops and tablets.</p>
<p>Scope (Health and Social Care Act 2012)</p>	<p>Health Services; NHS Services</p>
<p>Applies to</p>	<p>This standard applies to the following key groups and organisations which provide health care and services to children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Primary Care services</li> <li>• Child Health organisations</li> <li>• Community services</li> <li>• School Nursing services</li> <li>• Maternity services</li> <li>• Health Visiting services</li> <li>• Screening Laboratories</li> <li>• All organisations providing NHS England and NHS Improvement commissioned immunisation services for children.</li> </ul>
<p>Impacts upon</p>	<p>Implementation of this information standard impacts all health IT systems suppliers providing systems to the above providers. Suppliers should work with their health care providers to implement necessary changes.</p> <p>Impacted health IT systems include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• clinical systems in general practice and primary care</li> <li>• child health information systems</li> <li>• health visiting and school nursing systems</li> <li>• immunisation systems</li> <li>• DPCHR systems/eRedbooks.</li> </ul>
<p>Legal authority</p>	<p>This information standard is published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.</p> <p>Development of the standard is supported by directions from the Department of Health and Social Care: The NHS Digital (Establishment of Systems: Digital Interoperability Platform) Directions 2019: <a href="https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/directions-and-">https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/directions-and-</a></p>

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	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/data-provision-notices/secretary-of-state-directions/establishment-of-systems-digital-interoperability-platform-2019">data-provision-notices/secretary-of-state-directions/establishment-of-systems-digital-interoperability-platform-2019</a>
Link to further documentation	The Requirements Catalogue, Implementation Guidance and updated Record Specification are available on the NHS Digital website: <a href="http://www.digital.nhs.uk/isce/publication/dcb3009">www.digital.nhs.uk/isce/publication/dcb3009</a>  Further guidance is published by NHS Digital: <a href="https://digital.nhs.uk/services/digital-child-health">https://digital.nhs.uk/services/digital-child-health</a>
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<b>Dates</b>	
Implementation and conformance dates	Providers will be expected to be compliant with Phase 2 by 31 December 2020.  Compliance with Phase 1 was preparation and readiness for delivery of Phase 2 and future phases of Digital Child Health delivery.
Post implementation review date	30 September 2021

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